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All presentations will be held at the

**Montpelier Senior
Activity Center (MSAC)
58 Barre Street, Montpelier**

**The Rick Winston films will be
shown at the
Savoy Theater
26 Main Street, Montpelier**

All programs (including films) take place
on Wednesdays at 1:30 p.m.

Programs will not take place when
Montpelier schools are cancelled for
weather. Confirm at 802-223-5886.

Fees are \$8 per program or

\$40 single/\$70 couple

for the 11-program series

No registrations will be handled at
individual OLLI sessions. Everyone is
encouraged to pre-register by phone,
mail, or online or may do so after the fact.
See registration form on reverse side.

**CENTRAL VERMONT
Fall 2023**

**September 20, 2023 through
December 6, 2023**



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Wednesdays
1:30 p.m.**

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Institute (OLLI) Member**

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Complete membership form on the
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FALL 2023 CENTRAL VERMONT OLLI SERIES

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute Central Vermont

We cannot take payments/registrations at the door. Attendees (including those who only wish to attend specific sessions) are strongly encouraged to pre-register.

- 1) Go to learn.uvm.edu/olli/centralvt and register online with your credit card; or
- 2) Complete the registration form below for membership or individual sessions and mail with a check to address below; or
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**UVM OLLI Registration Office
23 Mansfield Avenue
Burlington, VT 05401**

September 20 – Singer/Historian Linda Radtke *From Parlors to Polls: VT Suffragettes*

In period garb, Radtke celebrates the passage of the 19th Amendment in 1919 and traces, also, the movement's alignment with other social justice initiatives. Through songs and stories, Radtke highlights Vermonters' efforts from 1840-1921, as they lobbied in churches, at "parlor meetings," at town halls, and at the State House for total enfranchisement.

September 27 – Council on Aging Information Specialist Christine Melicharek *The Many Variations of Medicare*

The federal Medicare insurance program has grown in size and complexity since it was created 50 years ago. There are now many drug plans, supplementary plans, and more recently Medicare Advantage plans advertised broadly. Melicharek will help us understand the pluses and minuses of these various plans.

October 4 – Author/Historian Garrett Graff *The US Government's Hunt for UFOs*

In the first serious narrative history of humanity's hunt for alien life, Graff has created a thrilling story of science, the Cold War, atomic anxieties, the space race, and much more as he traces the long history of our quest to understand one of the most profound and popular questions of all time: whether or not aliens exist.

October 11 – Professor Tony D'Amato *Tree Species Migration: Coping with Climate and other Changes*

Threats to northern forests from climate change, invasives, and other issues call for strategies to increase resilience and adaptive capacity. Dr. D'Amato will discuss current approaches to sustaining our forests and provide an historical backdrop of tree species migration and human influences over time.

October 18 – Executive Director Stephanie Young

The 251 Club of Vermont: Visiting All Cities and Towns

The 251 Club of Vermont, established in 1954, is a nonprofit organization of Vermont enthusiasts whose objective is to visit all the towns and cities in Vermont. Young will provide an overview of the Club, what it means to be a member, and share some stories and trivia.

October 25 – Coordinator George Moltz and Participant Margaret Gibson VT Senior Games

We will learn about the history of the Vermont branch of the National Senior Games and how it carries out its mission of promoting healthy athletic activities for all over 50. We will hear about the experiences of participants as they pursue the group's motto "fun, fitness, and fellowship," while competing at the state and national levels.

November 1 - Circus Smirkus Founder Rob Mermin

The Parkinsons Pantomime Project

Mermin, a student of Marcel Marceau, presents a program of Mime Therapy demonstrating his work adapting pantomime and circus techniques to help people with Parkinson's (PD) cope with movement limitations in a joyful way.

November 8 – Book Expert Ben Koenig *Dorothy Canfield Fisher Revisited*

When Dorothy Canfield Fisher died in 1958, she was respected and admired not only for her writing, but also for a life of activism. Then, in 2019, the Vermont Department of Libraries removed her name from the children's book award named in her honor. Koenig will examine this action and present his opposing view.

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The OLLI film series will be shown at the Savoy Theater, 26 Main Street, in Montpelier.
1:30-p.m.

Author & Film Historian Rick Winston Presents Three Ernest Lubitsch Comedies

The German-born Lubitsch was known as the most sophisticated Hollywood director of the 1930s and 40s. It is said that he often set his films in Europe, believing that American audiences would be more tolerant of racy behavior from European characters.

November 15– Trouble in Paradise (1932)

Produced in the period before the Motion Picture Production Code was enforced, this early rom-com is considered a Lubitsch masterpiece with inventive complicated plot lines and, of course, a love triangle,

November 29 – The Shop Around the Corner (1940)

This classic romantic comedy is set in Budapest and involves a couple played by James Stewart and Maureen Sullivan who fall in love as pen pals and have to reconcile their letters with an in-person relationship.

December 6 – To Be or Not to Be (1942)

Set in war-torn Warsaw and starring Carol Lombard, Jack Benny, and Robert Stack, this madcap comedy features actors, disguises, and romantic escapades.

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