

# Fall Recess Webinars From OLLI at DU



What are you doing this November and December between OLLI terms?  
Join us for six exciting, informative, and entertaining webinars.  
All are on Friday mornings beginning at 9:30.



**Date: November 4 - 9:30-11:00**

**Title of Presentation:** *Lost Department Stores of Denver*

**Presenter:** Mark Barnhouse

**Presentation Description:**

Denver native Mark A. Barnhouse became obsessed with the city's department stores from an early age, after a "Breakfast with Santa" in the Denver Dry Goods Tea Room. The author of nine published books on Denver history, he is a graduate of the University of Colorado Denver, where he double-majored in English and history.

**Presenter Information:**

Denver historian Mark A. Barnhouse, author of *Lost Department Stores of Denver* and other books, will tell the stories of Denver's home-grown department stores. Thanks to Denver's relative isolation, its stores grew large, serving not only the Front Range but a wide, multi-state hinterland. Local businessmen built busy, thriving emporiums covering hundreds of thousands of square feet, stretching for blocks along 16th Street. Barnhouse will discuss Daniels and Fisher, Joslins, The Denver Dry Goods, Neusteters, the May Company, Gano-Downs, the Golden Eagle, A.T. Lewis & Son, Fashion Bar, and May-D&F, evoking memories of a different, pre-Internet era.

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**Date: November 11 - 9:30-11:00**

**Title of Presentation:** *Que Viva La Raza*

**Presenter:** Nicki Gonzales

**Presentation Description:**

Dr. Gonzales' webinar will highlight episodes in the often underrecognized history of Latinos in the shaping of Colorado history. The presentation will cover the diversity of the Latino community and the social, political, economic, and cultural history to which they have contributed.

**Presenter Information:**

Born in Denver, Nicki Gonzales has deep roots in the coal mining and agricultural communities of Northern and Southern Colorado and Northern New Mexico. Like so many Mexican Americans in this region, her grandparents moved to Denver during WWII for economic opportunities. She is the mom of two boys who are historians in their own right—Danny and Teddy.

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**Date: November 18 – 9:30-11:00**

**Title of Presentation:** *Denver's Greatest Early Architects*

**Presenter:** Carol Lynn Tiegs

**Presentation Description:**

In its first 100 years, six of Denver's architects left an indelible mark on the city's residential, commercial, and public footprint. This presentation will introduce them, their architectural styles and landmarked buildings, and also take us into what we think of today as mid-century modern.

**Presenter Information:**

Currently a docent with Historic Denver and a volunteer researcher with the Discover Denver project, Carol Lynn is a life-long history buff. She holds a Masters degree in Journalism with a minor in Environmental Design and a Masters degree in German Studies with minor in Political Science, both from University of Colorado-Denver. Carol Lynn has a background in journalism and corporate communication, education, and nonprofit management. She has taught at University of Colorado-Denver and Metropolitan State University Denver.

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**Date: December 2 – 9:30-11:30**

**Title of Presentation:** *Remembering the Music of Johnny Cash*

**Presenter:** Larry Tannenbaum

**Presentation Description:**

Johnny Cash was born in Arkansas and raised in Kentucky. He became one of the most important and influential musicians and singer-songwriters in the history of American music. He also became an international entertainment icon. Many of us grew up listening to Johnny Cash on the radio and on our record players in a long- ago era. Over the years, Johnny and his music always seemed to be there for us.

The career of “The Man in Black” spanned almost five decades and he left us a giant legacy: his music. In this webinar, we will revisit and remember some of the music of Johnny Cash. Although there will be some brief biographical and career information provided during this presentation, the main emphasis will be upon the music itself. Prepare to sit back, revisit and enjoy the music of Johnny Cash.

**Presenter Information:**

Larry Tannenbaum was a practicing trial attorney in Colorado for 43 years. He spent 27 of those years as a Senior Assistant Attorney General for the State of Colorado, handling injury, civil rights, and real estate litigation. Upon retiring, Larry gravitated to one of his lifelong interests - music. Larry spends considerable amount of his time reading music-related books

and electronic media about music and musicians. He also spends countless hours listening to music and viewing music-related video material. Larry has presented a number of music-related classes for OLLI Denver over the past several years.

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**Date: December 9 – 9:30-11:00**

**Title of Presentation:** *Winter Dreams: A Classical Music Season*

**Presenter:** Betsy Schwarm

**Presentation Description:**

Sleigh rides and falling snow: the sights and sounds of winter - thanks to beloved classical composers. Vivaldi wasn't the only one to write memorable winter music. There's also a Mozart sleigh ride, to go with the well-known one by Leroy Anderson. Tchaikovsky imagined waltzing snowflakes and Debussy, too, set snow to dancing. For some composers, winter is even a reason for jubilant voices raised in song. Classical music historian and writer Betsy Schwarm, one of OLLI Denver's most popular instructors, hosts this program via Zoom, with lots of music and peeks behind the curtain to learn how the compositions came to be written, and listening pointers for getting most enjoyment out of this marvelous music. *Winter Dreams* with Betsy Schwarm – and OLLI!

**Presenter Information:**

Classical radio host – music professor – pre-performance speaker – author of ten full-length books on classical music: Betsy Schwarm has been part of the Denver area arts community for some years. She frequently teaches classical music appreciation classes around the Metro area, including the DU University College Enrichment programs, and has taught for OLLI since the fall of 2019. She takes a user-friendly approach to her music classes: no music reading required, just an active interest in how great music came to be and how we, as listeners, can get the most out of our listening experiences.

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**Date: December 16 – 9:30-11:00**

**Title of Presentation:** *The TV Celebrity Special - Bringing the Holidays into Our Living Rooms* - presented by *Chicken Lips*

**Presenters:** Dave Johnson and Bob Wells

**Presentation Description:**

This internet holiday special takes a look at TV holiday specials (Christmas) from the 50s, 60s, and 70s. It includes fun excerpts from those popular, celebrity-hosted variety shows in addition to interesting information about the performers and a few surprises from Bob and Dave. Guests include Andy Williams, Julie Andrews, Bob Hope, Bing Crosby, Frank Sinatra, The Carpenters, Nat King Cole, Carol Burnett, Johnny Cash, John Denver, The Muppets and more!

**Presenters Information:**

Bob and Dave have been entertaining and educating audiences together since 1993. On stages, in meeting rooms of every kind, and on the radio, their shows and keynote presentations from their Chicken Lips organization are all based in laughter and health.

## **REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

You do not have to be an OLLI member to join these Fall Recess webinars. The cost to attend is \$15 per webinar or \$60 for the "bundle" of all six. OLLI members who have already purchased an Annual Membership for 22-23 receive free registration.

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