

# Renaissance Institute Course Schedule Fall 2026

FIC - Feeley International Center in Meletia Hall FOU - Fourier Hall

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## Tuesday Classes

Course #	Name of Course	Instructor	Loc	Rm #
<b>9/15 - 10/20 (First 6 Week Classes)</b>				
<b>9:15 AM - 10:30 AM</b>				
1	Shakespeare, A Fresh Look: Othello (Limit 25)	George Kessler	Campus	
2	The 1970s	Ed Berkowitz	Campus	
3	Archaeology: Introduction to the World's Greatest Sites, Great Courses - Part 1	John Meredith	Campus	
4	Topics in Medicine #3 - Part 1	Bruce Rosenberg	Campus	
5	Autumn in Ink and Watercolor - Part 1	Alina Kurbiel	Zoom	
6	Relax and Reset with Qigong! - Part 1	Pamela Tanton	Zoom	
7	Memory Pictures - Part 1 (Limit 16)	Peter Whedbee/Helga Penner	Zoom	
8	Exploration of Chinese Ethnic Groups - Part 1	Eugene Geinzer	Zoom	
<b>11:00 AM - 12:15 PM</b>				
9	Beyond the Veil: Humanity, Immortality, and the Final Horizon - Part 1	Brendan Dowling	Campus	
10	The Mysterious Etruscans, Great Courses - Part 1 (Limit 30)	Armand Pulcinella	Campus	
11	Urban Politics and Policy in US Cities	Susan Baer	Campus	
12	The Great Baltimore Fire of 1904: Devastation to Determination	Bev Rosen	Campus	
13	The Renaissance Singers - Part 1 (Parts 1 & 2 Required)	Nancy Heinold	Campus	
14	Chair Yoga - Part 1	Linda McGill	Hybrid	
15	Art Talks	Terry Weisser	Zoom	
16	New Yorker Roundtable - Part 1	Brian Young	Zoom	
17	Edgar Allan Poe and Friends: A Study of American Gothic Literature - Part 1	Bill Davis	Zoom	
<b>1:00 PM - 3:00 PM</b>				
18	Acting 101 - Part 1 (Limit 18; Parts 1 & 2 Required)	Natalie Pilcher	Campus	

**1:15 PM - 2:30 PM**

19	Opera Production - Part 1	Roger Brunyate	Campus	
20	Nia Fitness - Part 1	Rebecca Donnelly	Campus	
21	The American Revolution, Great Courses - Part 1	Janet Starkey	Campus	
22	Devotion and Betrayal in the World of Films - Part 1	Amanda Joyce	Zoom	
23	Poetry Workshop - Part 1 (Limit 17)	Susan Marshall	Zoom	

**Thursday Classes**

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**9/17 - 10/22 (First 6 Week Classes)****9:15 AM - 10:30 AM**

24	The Heroine in Western Literature	Susan Marshall	Campus	
25	Origins of Jazz - Part 1	Seth Kibel	Campus	
26	The Judaism You Don't Know: Mussar - Part 1	Rabbi Geoff Basik	Campus	
27	The Legacy of Roman Britain	Bob Baer	Campus	
28	Advertising 101 - Part 1	Philip Lassalle	Zoom	
29	Optimal Aging for Longevity, Independence, and Quality of Life	Dan Chapman	Zoom	
30	Open Studio for Prose Writers - Part 1 (Limit 15)	Elizabeth Fanto/Sheila Scriggins	Zoom	

**11:00 AM -12:15 PM**

31	Shakespeare's Henry V: A Play for All Times	Maggie Ward	Campus	
32	A Short Course in Digital Photography	David Lavine	Campus	
33	Spanish Fundamentals - Part 1 (Limit 15; Parts 1 & 2 Required)	Tom Binford	Campus	
34	Hitchcock	Peter Warren	Campus	
35	Views of the News - Part 1	Hollis Jackson	Hybrid	
36	History of Department Stores in Baltimore	Barbara Ressin	Zoom	
37	Freedom of Movement - Part 1	Linda McGill	Zoom	
38	Hippocrates: The Dawn of Medicine - Part 1	Jason Morris	Zoom	

**1:00 PM - 3:00 PM**

39	Movies in the Afternoon (Limit 25)	Ted Walman/Joe Lapicki	Campus	
40	Musical Theater: Singers and Dancers-No Exp Req - Part 1 (Limit 18; Parts 1 & 2 Required)	Natalie Pilcher	Campus	

**1:15 PM - 2:30 PM**

41	Mozart in Context - Part 1	Robert Weisser	Campus	
42	Further Tales from Chaucer's Canterbury (Limit 20)	Stephen Sutton	Campus	
43	Ballet Basics - Part 1 (Limit 20)	Susan Sklar	Campus	
44	Peptides and their Importance in Medical and Nonmedical Fields	David Wade	Zoom	
45	The Twilight Zone in the 21st Century - Part 1	Miles Greenup	Zoom	
46	Ukulele Class - Part 1 (Parts 1 & 2 Required)	Ray Forton	Zoom	

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<b>10/27 - 12/08 (Second 6 Week Classes)</b>				
<b>9:15 AM - 10:30 AM</b>				
47	Archaeology: Introduction to the World's Greatest Sites, Great Courses - Part 2	John Meredith	Campus	
48	Immigration and Human Rights	Linda Rabben	Campus	
49	Topics in Medicine #3 - Part 2	Bruce Rosenberg	Campus	
50	The Art and Practice of Primitive Rug Hooking	Ivy Allgeier	Campus	
51	Autumn in Ink and Watercolor - Part 2	Alina Kurbiel	Zoom	
52	Relax and Reset with Qigong! - Part 2	Pamela Tanton	Zoom	
53	Memory Pictures - Part 2 (Limit 16)	Peter Whedbee/Helga Penner	Zoom	
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55	Beyond The Veil: Humanity, Immortality, and the Final Horizon - Part 2	Brendan Dowling	Campus	
56	The Mysterious Etruscans, Great Courses - Part 2 (Limit 30)	Armand Pulcinella	Campus	
57	The Renaissance Singers - Part 2 (Parts 1 & 2 Required)	Nancy Heinold	Campus	
58	6 Objects from the Walters in 6 Weeks	Betsy Cumming	Campus	
59	Chair Yoga - Part 2	Linda McGill	Hybrid	
60	New Yorker Roundtable - Part 2	Brian Young	Zoom	
61	What the Cluck! It's Chickens! (Limit 20)	Sharon Harwood	Zoom	
62	Edgar Allan Poe and Friends: A Study of American Gothic Literature - Part 2	Bill Davis	Zoom	
63	Life in Baltimore: Changing Times, Changing Lives	Jack Burkert	Zoom	
<b>1:00 PM - 3:00 PM</b>				
64	Acting 101 - Part 2 (Limit 15; Parts 1 & 2 Required)	Natalie Pilcher	Campus	
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<b>10/29 - 12/10 (Second 6 Week Classes)</b>				
<b>9:15 AM - 10:30 AM</b>				
70	Art Deco - International Style between the World Wars	James White	Campus	
71	Origins of Jazz - Part 2	Seth Kibel	Campus	
72	The Judaism You Don't Know: Mussar - Part 2	Rabbi Geoff Basik	Campus	
73	Advertising 101 - Part 2	Philip Lassalle	Zoom	
74	The Later Plantagenets: 1250-1485	Carol Friedrich	Zoom	
75	Open Studio for Prose Writers - Part 2 (Limit 15)	Elizabeth Fanto/Sheila Scriggins	Zoom	
<b>11:00 AM - 12:15 PM</b>				
76	Imagining Childhood: How Children's Literature Shapes-and Reflects-Growing Up	Maggie Ward	Campus	
77	Celebrity and Fame Photography	David Lavine	Campus	
78	Spanish Fundamentals - Part 2 (Limit 15; Parts 1 & 2 Required)	Tom Binford	Campus	
79	The History of Baltimore City Parks	Jennifer Liles	Campus	
80	Views of the News - Part 2	Hollis Jackson	Hybrid	
81	Cathedrals of Consumerism: History of National Department Stores	Barbara Ressin	Zoom	
82	Freedom of Movement - Part 2	Linda McGill	Zoom	
83	Hippocrates: The Dawn of Medicine - Part 2	Jason Morris	Zoom	
84	Voices of Maryland	Kay Pulcinella	Zoom	
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85	Musical Theater: Singers and Dancers-No Exp Req - Part 2 (Limit 18; Parts 1 & 2 Required)	Natalie Pilcher	Campus	
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86	Mozart in Context - Part 2	Robert Weisser	Campus	
87	Ballet Basics - Part 2 (Limit 20)	Susan Sklar	Campus	
88	Kaleidoscope	Vivian Appel	Campus	
89	Computer Basics and Beyond (Limit 15)	Barbara Reynolds/Laurie Rosenberg	Campus	
90	Ukulele Class - Part 2 (Parts 1 & 2 Required)	Ray Forton	Zoom	
91	The Twilight Zone in the 21st Century - Part 2	Miles Greenup	Zoom	
92	TED Talks	Nancy St. Pierre	Zoom	

**\*\*Please Note - Thanksgiving Break Nov 24 and Nov 26 - NO CLASSES**