

Renaissance Institute Schedule Spring 2026

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

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Room # Assignment Subject to Change--Check RI Office for Updates

Tuesday Classes

Course #	Name of Course	Instructor	Loc	Rm #
2/10 - 3/10 (First 6-week classes; delayed because of snow)				
9:15AM - 10:30AM				
1	King Lear: A Fresh Look - Part II (Limit 25) FULL	G. Kessler	Campus	FIC031
2	Revisiting the Sixties	E. Berkowitz	Campus	FIC003
3	Understanding the World of Investments - For the Novice (Limit 25)	B. Volk	Campus	FIC030
4	Spanish Is Fun - Advanced Intermediate - Part 1	J. Frumkin	Zoom	NA
5	Charcoal Portrait Drawing - Part 1	A Kurbiel	Zoom	NA
6	A Potpourri of Baltimore History	J. Burkert	Zoom	NA
7	Qigong: Movements for Health and Vitality! - Part 1	P. Tanton	Zoom	NA
11:00AM - 12:15PM				
8	Immigration Today (Limit 25) FULL	L. Rabben	Campus	FIC003
9	Exploring Autism (Limit 20) FULL	T. Pinette	Campus	FIC030
10	Renaissance Singers - Part 1	N. Heinold	Campus	FIC025
11	Yoknapatawpha County: The Literature of Faulkner - Part 1 (Parts 1 & 2 Required)	R. Jacobs	Zoom	NA
12	Creative Writing Techniques: Examples and Exercises - Part 1	B. Diehl	Zoom	NA
13	New Yorker Roundtable - Part 1	B. Young	Zoom	NA
14	Spanish Is Fun - Intermediate - Part 1	J. Frumkin	Zoom	NA
15	Sign & Shine: American Sign Language (ASL) for Everyday Conversation - Part 1	R. Purimetla	Zoom	NA
16	Freedom of Movement - Part 1	L. McGill	Zoom	NA
1:15PM - 2:30PM (Continued on Next Page)				
17	Great Stories of the Old Testament: A Present Day Reflection - Part 1	Fr. S. Spahn, S. J.	Campus	FIC003
18	Creating Character Driven Fiction - Part 1 (Parts 1 & 2 Required) CANCELLED	B. Bachur	Campus	
19	Acting Improvisation - Part 1 (Limit 20)	N. Pilcher	Campus	FIC025

20	Kaleidoscope - A collection of six talks	V. Appel	Campus	FIC030
21	Nia Fitness Class - Part 1 (Parts 1 & 2 Required)	R. Donnelly	Campus	Dance St.
22	Poetry Workshop - Part 1 (Limit 16)	S. Marshall	Zoom	NA
23	Tales of Transformation & Renewal: A Film Class - Part 1	A. Joyce	Zoom	NA
24	Archimedes Dawn: Ancient Science and the Modern World	J. Morris	Zoom	NA

Thursday Classes

Course #	Name of Course	Instructor	Loc	Rm #
2/12 - 3/12 (First 6-week classes; delayed because of snow)				
9:15AM - 10:30AM				
25	Those Madcap Mitford Girls	M. Russell	Campus	FOU103
26	Big History: The Big Bang, Life on Earth and the Rise of Humanity II - Part 1	J. Meredith	Campus	FIC003
27	Great Decisions 2026 - Part 1 (Limit 25 on campus)	T. Casey	Hybrid	FIC031
28	Open Studio for Prose Writers - Part 1 (Limit 18)	A. Joyce, S. Lindenbaum, S. Scriggins	Hybrid	FIC035
29	Chinese Architecture - Part 1	E. Geinzer, S. J.	Zoom	NA
30	Anne Frank: Her Life, Her Diary and Beyond	J. Damond	Zoom	NA
11:00AM -12:15PM				
31	Great Scenes in Opera - Part 1	R. Brunyate	Campus	FIC003
32	Medicine Painting: Processing and Healing Through Painting - Part 1 (Limit 15)	A. Sauer	Campus	FOU203
33	History of Photography - Part 1	D. Lavine	Campus	FIC030
34	Views of the News - Part 1	H. Jackson	Hybrid	FIC035
35	Chair Yoga - Part 1	L. McGill	Hybrid	Dance St.
36	Memory Pictures/Writers Workshop - Part 1 (Limit 16)	P. Whedbee and H. Penner	Zoom	NA
37	Imprisoned Without Trial: Japanese Incarceration in WWII	D. Kato	Zoom	NA
12:45PM - 2:45PM				
38	Open Art Studio - Part 1 (Limit 15) Parts 1 & 2 Required	J. Reid	Campus	FOU203
1:00PM - 3:00PM				
39	Acting 101 - Part 1 (Limit 15) FULL	N. Pilcher	Campus	FIC025
1:15PM - 2:30PM				
40	Ballet Basics - Part 1 (Limit 20)	S. Sklar	Campus	Dance St.
41	Shel Silverstein - Life and Works	L. Rosenberg	Campus	FIC003
42	Science and Technology News - Part 1	R. Poor	Zoom	NA
43	Ukulele Class - Part 1 (Parts 1 & 2 Required)	R. Forton	Zoom	NA

****Please Note - Spring Break March 17 and March 19 - NO CLASSES**

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3/24 - 4/28 (Second 6-week classes)				
9:15AM - 10:30AM				
44	Learning from Children's Poetry	J. Hellman	Campus	FIC030
45	Anarchists and Nazis in Baltimore in World Wars 1 and 2 FULL	J. Liles	Campus	FOU103
46	Downsizing and Organizing So Your Kids Won't Have To	C. Bernstein	Zoom	NA
47	Spanish is Fun - Advanced Intermediate - Part 2	J. Frumkin	Zoom	NA
48	Charcoal Portrait Drawing - Part 2	A. Kurbiel	Zoom	NA
49	Qigong: Movements for Health and Vitality! - Part 2	P. Tanton	Zoom	NA
11:00AM - 12:15PM				
50	Reading Herman Hesse's Siddhartha	G. Amoss	Campus	FIC031
51	Liberty on Trial in America	L. Rosenberg	Campus	FIC003
52	Renaissance Singers - Part 2	N. Heinold	Campus	FIC025
53	Yoknapatawpha County: The Literature of Faulkner - Part 2 (Parts 1 & 2 Required)	R. Jacobs	Zoom	NA
54	Creative Writing Techniques: Examples and Exercises - Part 2	B. Diehl	Zoom	NA
55	New Yorker Roundtable - Part 2	B. Young	Zoom	NA
56	Spanish is Fun - Intermediate - Part 2	J. Frumkin	Zoom	NA
57	Freedom of Movement - Part 2	L. McGill	Zoom	NA
58	Sign & Shine: American Sign Language (ASL) for Everyday Conversation - Part 2	R. Purimetla	Zoom	NA
1:15PM - 2:30PM				
59	Great Stories of the old Testament: A Present Day Reflection - Part 2	Fr. S. Spahn S.J.	Campus	FIC003
60	Creating Character Driven Fiction - Part 2 (Parts 1 & 2 Required) CANCELLED	B. Bachur	Campus	
61	Acting Improvisation - Part 2 (Limit 20)	N. Pilcher	Campus	FIC025
62	Nia fitness Class - Part 2 (Parts 1 & 2 Required)	R. Donnelly	Campus	Dance St.
63	Poetry Workshop - Part 2 (Limit 16)	S. Marshall	Zoom	NA
64	Tales of Transformation and Renewal: A Film Class - Part 2	A. Joyce	Zoom	NA
65	Walks in the Walters	S. Vidmar, J. Weitzman	Zoom	NA

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Course #	Name of Course	Instructor	Loc	Rm #
3/26 - 4/30 (Second 6-week classes)				
9:15AM - 10:30AM				
66	An Idiosyncratic Tour of Baltimore History	M. Franch	Campus	FOU103
67	Big History: The Big Bang, Life on Earth and the Rise of Humanity II - Part 2	J. Meredith	Campus	FIC003
68	Great Decisions 2026 - Part 2 (Limit 25 on campus)	T. Casey	Hybrid	FIC031
69	Open Studio for Prose Writers - Part 2 (Limit 18)	A. Joyce, S. Lindenbaum, S. Scriggins	Hybrid	FIC035
70	Exploring Arts of the Ancient and Colonial Americas	J. Lauffenburger	Zoom	NA
71	Chinese Architecture - Part 2	E. Geinzer, S. J.	Zoom	NA
72	The Early Plantagenets 1066 - 1217	C. Friedrich	Zoom	NA
11:00AM - 12:15PM				
73	Great Scenes in Opera - Part 2	R. Brunyate	Campus	TBD
74	Medicine Painting: Processing and Healing Through Painting - Part 2 (Limit 15)	A. Sauer	Campus	FOU203
75	History of Photography - Part 2	D. Lavine	Campus	FIC030
76	Espionage in Heels: The Story of Women Spies during the Civil War and WW I & II	B. Ressin	Campus	FIC003
77	Plays of Tennessee Williams: Known and Not So Known	S. Sutton	Campus	FIC031
78	Chair Yoga - Part 2	L. McGill	Hybrid	Dance St.
79	Views of the News - Part 2	H. Jackson	Hybrid	FIC
80	Memory Pictures/Writers Workshop - Part 2 (Limit 16)	P. Whedbee and H. Penner	Zoom	NA
12:45PM - 2:45PM				
81	Open Art Studio - Part 2 (Limit 15) (Parts 1 & 2 Required)	J. Reid	Campus	FOU203
1:00PM - 3:00PM				
82	Acting 101 - Part 2 (Limit 15)	N. Pilcher	Campus	FIC025
83	Movies in the Afternoon (Limit 30)	T. Walman and J. Lapicki	Campus	FOU214
1:15PM - 2:30PM				
84	The Aging Brain	J. Stanton	Campus	FIC031
85	Misia Sert: Patron and Muse to Artists of the Belle Époque and Beyond	C. Bentley	Campus	FIC003
86	Six Books in Six Weeks (Limit 20)	M. Ward	Campus	FIC036
87	Ballet Basics Part 2 (Limit 20)	S. Sklar	Campus	Dance St.
88	Ukulele Class - Part 2 (Parts 1 & 2 Required)	R. Forton	Zoom	NA
89	Science and Technology News - Part 2	R. Poor	Zoom	NA