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This schedule is for informational purposes and is subject to change. Changes subsequent to the issuance of the printed schedule will be posted online at www.com.edu/lifelonglearning. The electronic version of the schedule is the official schedule. Please refer to the online schedule to confirm class information.

Community Education Classes

Non-credit, fee-based personal development classes and workshops offered on weeknight evenings or Saturdays and available to the entire adult (ages 18+) community.

COM Community Jazz Ensemble

Tuesdays | January 23 - April 16, 2024,
7:30 PM - 9:30 PM

Registration Deadline: January 23, 2024

Fine Arts Bldg #3 - Room 117

\$86

Instructor: Sparky Koerner

This course is open to anyone owning an instrument (class limited to five saxophones, five trombones, five trumpets, piano, guitar, bass and drums) that has some knowledge of reading jazz ensemble music and wishes to participate in a jazz ensemble. This is not a beginner band and one may need to audition. The music performed by the Jazz Ensemble will be that of Count Basie, Duke Ellington, Stan Kenton, Bob Mintzer, and others. Various styles of Jazz music will be performed, including swing, Latin, ensemble, ballad, and contemporary jazz.

Practical Self-Defense for Women

Tuesdays/Thursdays | January 23 -
February 15, 2024, 5:15 PM - 6:00 PM

Tuesdays/Thursdays | February 20 -
March 21, 2024, 5:15 PM - 6:00 PM

Tuesdays/Thursdays | March 26 - April 18,
2024, 5:15 PM - 6:00 PM

COM City Centre – Room 104

\$95 per session

Instructor: Cole Falon

Come learn the truth about self-defense and what you need to do to be prepared. This is a practical program that incorporates relevant aspects of multiple martial arts disciplines...all with the primary goal of defense. We will take a slow and safe pace while creating a comfortable environment for all beginners. No male/female contact will be required or expected. (A female assistant instructor

will always be available.) If you'd prefer, have a friend sign up along with you so you'll have each other for partners.

Threading Technique for Facial Hair Removal

Tuesday | January 23, 2024, 6:00 PM -
8:00 PM

Registration Deadline: January 16, 2024

COM City Centre – Room 119

\$29

Instructor: Rajni Sharan

Threading is a great technique for shaping eyebrows or removing unwanted facial hair. It lasts longer than waxing and is gentler on sensitive skin. The trick is learning how to do it right!

Line Dancing with TMichelle

Tuesdays | January 23 - March 5, 2024,
7:15 PM - 8:45 PM

COM City Centre – Room 107

\$59

Instructor: Traci Payne

Love line dancing and want to learn the hottest dances out there? If you are an advanced dancer, then join this fun and energetic workshop where you will learn the latest line dances around! These dances will ensure you are a hit at your next party! (No class 2/13)

Introduction to Leather

Saturday | January 27, 2024, 9:00 AM -
5:00 PM

Registration Deadline: January 13, 2024

COM City Centre – Room 119

\$89

Instructor: Billy Barham

Join our local leather craftsman for an introduction to the basic elements of working with leather. This is a hands-on class where you will build a small leather project. You must purchase and bring your own leather kit (a wallet or small coin purse kit is recommended). Kit can be purchased at Tandy's Leather Co or other leather suppliers. Prices vary. Kit must include pre-cut and punched vegetable leather parts, thread/needles, and all hardware to complete the project (estimated kit cost \$20-\$30). You may bring your lunch or purchase one nearby.

Make Hairstyling Tools Work For You

Monday | January 29, 2024, 5:30 PM -
7:30 PM

Registration Deadline: January 22, 2024

COM City Centre – Room 138

\$29

Instructor: Angela Way

Learn how to use the correct hairstyling tools and products for different desired looks. Our hairstyling expert will demo tools and styles, but if you have tools that you are not sure how to use to get a specific look, bring them with you too! Leave this hands-on interactive workshop knowing how to fix your hair to look the way you want it too!

Great Britain: The Grand Tour

Saturday | February 3, 2024, 9:00 AM -
12:00 PM

Registration Deadline: January 27, 2024

COM City Centre – Room 119

\$39

Instructor: Joy Owen

Join us for a look at the British Isles – land of Shakespeare, Newton, Edison, Tennyson, Agatha Christie, Jane Austin

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and many more. Britain's volatile history has given rise to commanders like Lord Nelson, Oliver Cromwell, and Francis Drake and monarchs like Henry VIII, Elizabeth I, and Victoria and Albert. It is the land of the Beatles and of engineers. Of poets and piracy. We will take an in-depth look at this country and its many facets.

Demystifying Fingerprints

Monday | February 5, 2024, 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Registration Deadline: January 29, 2024

COM City Centre – Room 119

\$29

Instructor: Mike Bell

Have you ever wondered how crime scene investigators locate and identify fingerprints at a crime scene? Join retired Galveston County Sheriff's Office Captain and current COM Law Enforcement Academy Director Mike Bell as he demonstrates how fingerprints are located at the scene and then compared to known prints. Mike will also present an actual case where fingerprints found at the scene were used to identify a suspect and eventually convict him of murder.

Art of Yoga

Tuesdays/Thursdays | February 6 - February 29, 2024, 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Tuesdays/Thursdays | March 19 - April 11, 2024, 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Tuesdays/Thursdays | April 23 - May 16, 2024, 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

COM City Centre – Room 107

\$39 per session

Instructor: Tammi Blalack

Work stressing you out to your limits? Come join us then before you head home. We promise you will be glad you did! Experience the art of yoga which will help you relax and find your inner peace. You will explore different

techniques such as meditation, yin, Hatha, and animal movements in this class.

History of Gospel Music in Texas

Tuesdays | February 6 - April 16, 2024, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Registration Deadline: January 30, 2024

COM City Centre – Room 119

\$99

Instructor: Kimberley Yancy/Jacory Bass

This class will teach the importance of gospel music in relation to Texas History. It will explore and examine gospel music origins, musicians, singers, and their significance to American History. The class will also learn songs and perform songs in the area to help start interest in a College of the Mainland Gospel Community Choir.

Chocolate Truffle Making

Wednesday | February 7, 2024, 6:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Registration Deadline: January 24, 2024

COM City Centre – Room TBA

\$39

Instructor: Chef Kathleen Roussel

Join us for a hands-on truffle-making class. You'll enjoy chocolate education, a chocolate tasting, and then get to decorate your very own chocolate truffles to take home. Our chef will demonstrate recipes, show you how to roll truffles and dip them in tempered chocolate, then decorate each truffle to taste. You will go home with your own box of handcrafted truffles just in time for Valentine's Day!

Essential Oil Perfume Blending

Saturday | February 10, 2024, 11:00 AM - 3:30 PM

Registration Deadline: January 27, 2024

COM City Centre – Room 118

\$65

Instructor: Darcy Truehan

Come have fun learning about essential oils and aromatherapy! We will cover various essential oils, both how to blend and wear them. Create your own perfume blend to take home just in time for Valentine's Day!

Intro to Bladesmithing

Monday | February 12, 2024, 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Registration Deadline: January 29, 2024

COM City Centre – Room 119

\$39

Instructor: Austin Frakes

Join Austin Frakes, previous contestant on the History Channel's hit show Forged in Fire, for an evening of learning the basics of the art, including tool procurement, workspace considerations, and how to bladesmith safely. This will be followed by a hands-on opportunity to try your hand at beating hot steel with a real forge and anvil. Closed-toed shoes required.

How To Write Your Story

Saturday | February 17, 2024, 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Registration Deadline: February 10, 2024

COM City Centre – Room 119

\$39

Instructor: Georgie Holbrook

Learn how to take a deeper dive into yourself to write your own personal story. Time will be allotted for personal reflection so you can create your book title plus begin outlining chapter content. Participation will be encouraged in creating limitless possibilities for your writing success.

Community Education Classes

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Policing in America Today

Monday | February 19, 2024, 5:30 PM – 8:30 PM

Registration Deadline: February 12, 2024

COM City Centre – Room 119

\$29

Instructor: Mike Bell

Join retired Galveston County Sheriff's Office Captain and current COM Law Enforcement Academy Director Mike Bell to discuss the history of policing in America, and what the lessons learned from history are telling us about policing in America today. During this discussion, you will have the opportunity to ask any and all questions you've ever wanted to ask a police officer but never had the opportunity to ask.

Tips & Tricks for Smartphone Pics!

Thursday | February 22, 2024, 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Registration Deadline: February 15, 2024

COM City Centre – Room 115

\$29

Instructor: Gloria Rabon

Learn how to get the most out of your smartphone camera! In this two-hour smartphone photography workshop you will learn some photography basics and how to use your smartphone camera to take photos that are well composed and edited. You will also learn about the best apps for editing and storing your images.

Intro to Saltwater Fishing

Thursdays | February 22 & 29, 2024, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Registration Deadline: February 15, 2024

COM City Centre – Room 118

\$39

Instructor: Tom LaSanta

If you have always wanted to learn about fishing, then this workshop is for you. Our expert will cover the basics including proper gear and tackle, types of lures/bait, and the best time/locations to fish. You will leave with plenty of tips and techniques on fishing in the Galveston area.

Successful Succulents

Saturday | February 24, 2024, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Registration Deadline: February 17, 2024

COM City Centre – Room 115

\$29

Instructor: Angela Chandler

Succulents are one of the most diverse and interesting groups of plants we grow. They come in an array of colors, shapes and sizes and can be grown in containers or in the ground depending on hardiness. Often thought of as fussy and demanding, they are actually easy to grow if you know a few tricks of the trade.

Styling Shortcuts for Simple Updos

Monday | February 26, 2024, 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM

Registration Deadline: February 19, 2024

COM City Centre – Room 138

\$29

Instructor: Angela Way

Exude confidence with a simple updo or fancy ponytail whether you are at home, running errands, or out with friends. In this fun and interactive workshop, our hairstyling expert will demonstrate and teach quick hairstyles that will help you look great in minutes.

High Noon Tea Party Mystery

Saturday | March 2, 2024, 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Registration Deadline: February 17, 2024

COM City Centre – Room 107

\$69

Instructor: Cathy Henson

Calling all actress/actor enthusiasts! Have you ever wanted an opportunity to attend a high tea party and participate in a murder mystery? Well now is your chance! Come enjoy an authentic tea party with fancy teas and food as well as participate in a scripted play. Roles range from main characters to limited one- or two-line scripts. You will also receive a beautiful teacup and saucer to commemorate this event. Props will be provided, but if you have that fancy tea party attire, bonnet, or accessories, feel free wear them to the event.

Mosaic Birdhouse

Monday/Wednesday | March 4 - March 6, 2024, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Registration Deadline: February 19, 2024

COM City Centre – Room 117

\$45

Instructor: Michele Patrick

Birds of a feather flock together, but birds with this home will never roam! Come learn how to design and create an adorable mosaic birdhouse. No grouting involved and no art or mosaic experience required.

Easy Homemade Sushi

Wednesday | March 6, 2024, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Registration Deadline: February 21, 2024

COM City Centre – Room TBA

\$49

Instructor: Chef Kathleen Roussel

Sushi making is easier than you think! Learn how to make your own sushi creations in this fun, hands-on cooking class. Our chef will teach you all the skills needed to make sushi rolls like a pro, including how to prepare sushi rice, cut your fresh ingredients using proper knife

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Sushi

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skills, and master the art of rolling using a variety of techniques. Fee includes a take-home sushi rolling mat which you will use to create your own custom roll!

Intro to Henna Tattoo Artistry

Thursday | March 7, 2024, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Registration Deadline: February 22, 2024

COM City Centre – Room 118

\$29

Instructor: Rajni Sharan

Henna tattooing is an art that can be applied for many occasions, including birthday parties, showers, or just for fun! They are safe to apply and enjoyed by all ages. Learn how to create letters, symbols, or art, and then add your own personal style.

Fused Glass – Design Your Own Spring Garden Stakes

Monday | March 18, 2024, 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Registration Deadline: March 4, 2024

COM City Centre – Room 117

\$69

Instructor: Deborah Deats

Create three beautiful and truly unique fused glass garden stakes to put in your spring garden bed! You choose the colors and your own designs. The stakes will then be fired in the kiln and ready for pick up in two weeks. Please wear closed-toed shoes.

Companion Planting

Saturday | March 23, 2024, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Registration Deadline: March 16, 2024

COM City Centre – Room 115

\$29

Instructor: Angela Chandler

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Once thought to be a garden tradition, science now shows that companion planting works! Learn more about how plants can be grown in close proximity to attract pollinators, repel pests, and improve productivity and performance.

Basic Essential Oils 101

Saturday | March 23, 2024, 11:00 AM - 5:30 PM

Registration Deadline: March 9, 2024

COM City Centre – Room 118

\$95

Instructor: Darcy Truehan

Join this workshop to explore the safe and effective use of essential oils. Learn about the common components of essential oils and their applications, how to recognize oils, and how different oils interact with your skin chemistry. Take home your own personal blend!

The Real CSI

Monday | March 25, 2024, 5:30 PM – 8:30 PM

Registration Deadline: March 18, 2024

COM City Centre – Room 119

\$29

Instructor: Mike Bell

Join retired Galveston County Sheriff's Office Captain and current COM Law Enforcement Academy Director Mike Bell as he presents a Galveston County homicide investigation to explain how the criminal justice process works from the scene through the courts. Specifically, this discussion will detail the cooperation between crime scene investigators and detectives as they work to solve a case, and how the case was presented at trial.

Surviving and Thriving the Summer with Kids

Tuesday/Thursday | April 2 - April 4, 2024,

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Registration Deadline: March 19, 2024

COM City Centre – Room 117

\$39

Instructor: Michele Patrick

Learn boredom-busting ideas for keeping the kids busy this summer...without busting the bank. As the doting "Nonna" to seven kids, Michele Patrick is full of free (or cheap) ideas that will not only be fun for the kids but will also create great memories. This two-night workshop will include a hands-on activity each night to get your creative juices flowing.

Fishing Rigs & Jigs

Thursdays | April 4 - 18, 2024, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Registration Deadline: March 21, 2024

COM City Centre – Room 118

\$59

Instructor: Tom LaSanta

Sign up for this hands-on experience in lure making and then fishing with the lures you make. You will also learn tested tactics for saltwater fishing. Workshop concludes with a fishing trip to Galveston on the last night. All lure-making supplies included. You just need a saltwater fishing license, fishing pole and transportation.

Do It Your Self-Watering Containers

Saturday | April 6, 2024, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Registration Deadline: March 30, 2024

COM City Centre – Room 115

\$29

Instructor: Angela Chandler

You can take some of the work out of gardening by creating containers that have a water reservoir to extend the time between watering. Also known as

wicking pots or sub-irrigated pots, these containers improve plant health and performance while actually reducing water use. We will review several types of SWCs that can be built at home with a minimum of tools and skills.

Fresh Pasta Making

Wednesday | April 10, 2024, 6:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Registration Deadline: March 27, 2024

COM City Centre – Room TBA

\$39

Instructor: Chef Kathleen Roussel

Learn to make fresh egg pasta at home with ease. This is a hands-on pasta making class where you will learn basic dough technique, cutting pasta and quick ravioli making. Experiment with using a pasta machine to make fettuccine. Our chef will demonstrate how to make two sauces: a classic marinara and fresh basil pesto with fresh parmesan. Taste your fresh pasta creations and take home your handmade bundle of fresh pasta!

Introduction to Voiceovers

Online and scheduled individually

\$49

Instructor: Voices For All

Explore the craft of voiceovers! Discover current trends, opportunities and tools you need to find success in this growing remote working industry. Read a real script and receive coaching from your instructor, a professional voice actor, to improve your delivery. One-time, 90 minute, one-on-one, video-chat class! Learn more: <http://www.voicesforall.com/ooo>. Must be aged 18 and over. Upon registration you will be contacted by VFA to schedule your class, day and time of your convenience.

Lifelong Learning: Extended Travel

Extended travel is open to students 18 and older.

Interested in exploring with us?

Sign up for one of our upcoming travel presentations and learn more about our upcoming trips!

Pick a Tuesday Date:

Jan. 30 or Apr. 16, 2024.

Note: Presentations are held from 1-2 p.m. at the COM City Centre in Room 115.

Pick a Sign-up Option:

- 1 Call our office at **409-933-8461**.
- 2 **OR** sign-up online. Scan the QR code below and then scroll down to the presentation you want to attend. Click to add the presentation to your cart and click register.



Please note that each trip is subject to cancellation 180 days out (to ensure full refunds) if the minimum 10 person requirement is not met by that time.

Advertised tour rate is per person based upon double occupancy and includes a booking discount if final payment is made by check prior to the final due date. Single occupancy has an additional fee. Additional purchase of a Trip Protection Plan is required for international travel. All trip rates include roundtrip airfare, local airport transportation, first class hotels, professional tour director, sightseeing and admissions per itinerary, specified meals, motorcoach transportation, baggage handling at hotels, and hotel transfers.

No booking discounts on cruises.

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AUG. 17, 2024**

\$3299 to \$4699*
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HIGHLIGHTS

- 7 night Cruise on the Norwegian Bliss
- Sitka
- Ketchikan
- Juneau
- Endicott Arm & Dawes Glacier
- Icy Strait Point
- Victoria, BC, Canada

HISTORIC Savannah

& CHARLESTON HOLIDAY

**7 DAYS STARTING
DEC. 6, 2024**

ONLY \$3,550*

HIGHLIGHTS

- 2 Nights Charleston, SC
- 2 Nights Savannah, GA
- 2 Nights Jekyll Island Club
- Charleston City Tour
- Savannah City Tour
- Middleton Place
- 2 Antebellum Mansions:
 - Edmonston-Alston House
 - Mercer Williams House
- Jekyll Island Trolley Tour
- Beaufort Carriage Ride
- Dinner in the Jekyll Island Club's Grand Dining Room
- St. Simons Island

2025 TRAVEL TEASERS

JAN./FEB. 2025 | Sierra Snow Train

MAY 2025 | Mackinac Island, The Grand Hotel & Niagara Falls

DEC. 2025 | Switzerland & Christmas Markets on the Rhine River

Lifelong Learning: Local Travel

Day/Evening outings for adults ages 18+ to explore education through trips and travel.

PLEASE NOTE:

Trip cost includes transportation and admission ticket. Trip tickets have been pre-purchased; therefore, they are non-refundable. A buy-your-own meal will be scheduled for each trip and students will meet in the Lifelong Learning Center lobby to load the bus unless otherwise noted.

The Oak Ridge Boys (The Grand 1894 Opera House)

Saturday | January 20, 2024, 4:30 PM - 11:00 PM

\$79

Whether you're a fan of smooth four-part gospel harmonies or upbeat country songs, the distinctive sound of The Oak Ridge Boys is legendary! The Oak Ridge Boys put on a high-energy stage show that'll have old and young alike groovin' along to the music!

Birdwatching – Brazoria Wildlife Park

Tuesday | January 23, 2024, 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

\$40

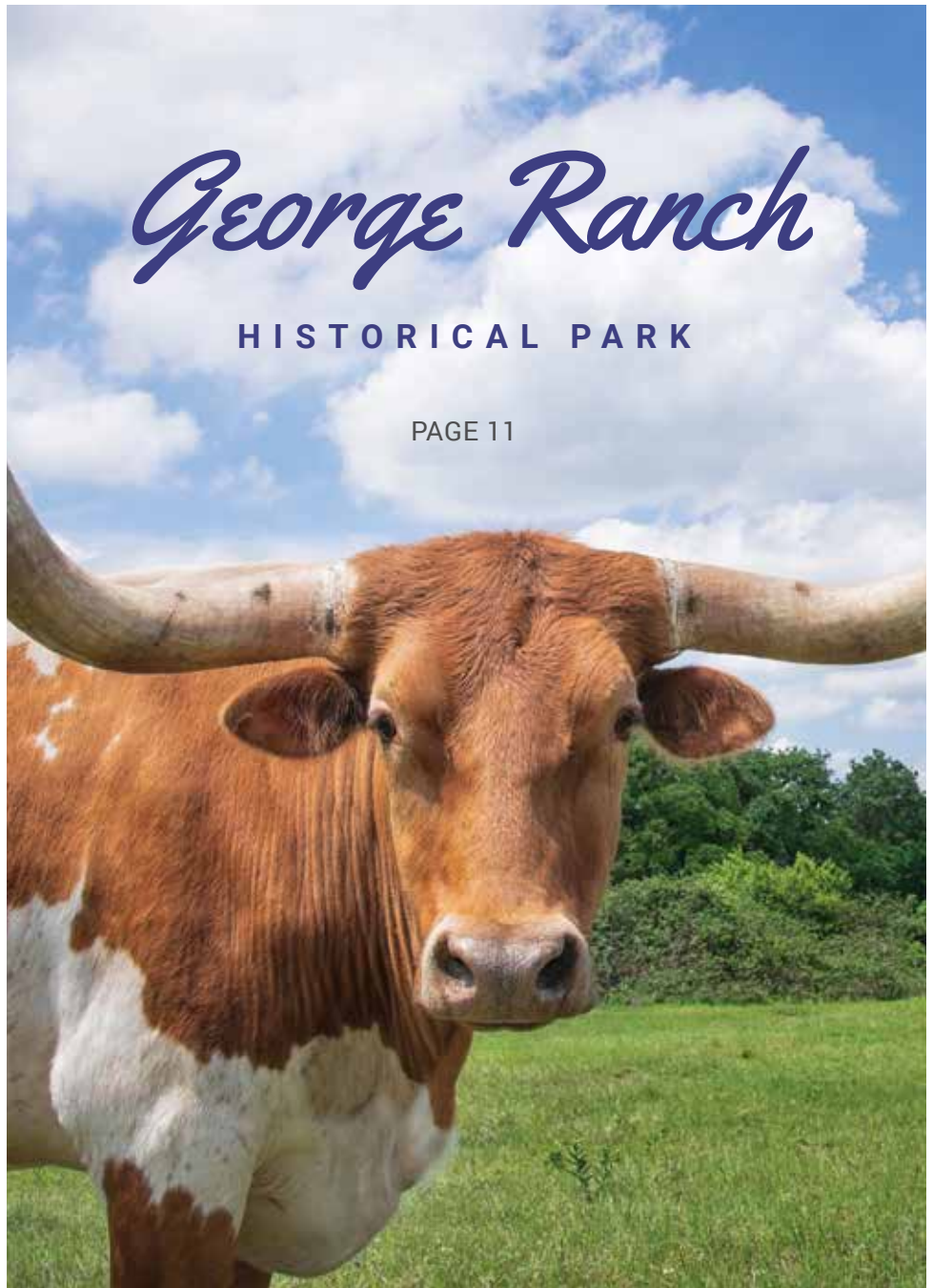
Explore the ponds at the refuge looking for wintering ducks and shorebirds along with the resident herons and egrets. We may go to the coast after lunch if time permits. Please wear comfortable and dull-colored clothing, hiking or closed-toed shoes, and be prepared to walk in grassy, brushy areas. Bringing bottled water, snacks, binoculars and a camera are recommended.

On Your Feet (Theatre Under the Stars)

Tuesday | February 6, 2024, 4:00 PM - 11:00 PM

\$99

It's the astounding and inspiring true story about heart, heritage and two people who believed in their talent—and each other—to become an international



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sensation: Gloria and Emilio Estefan. Their story is brought thrillingly to life in this breathtaking original musical bursting with the Afro-Cuban rhythms that became the Miami Sound Machine.

The Piano Lesson (The Ensemble Theatre)

Thursday | February 15, 2024, 4:00 PM - 11:00 PM

\$65

At the heart of the play stands the ornately carved upright piano which, as the Charles family's prized, hard-won possession, has been gathering dust in the parlor of Berniece Charles's Pittsburgh home. When Boy Willie, Berniece's exuberant brother, bursts into her life with his dream of buying the same Mississippi land that his family had worked as slaves, he plans to sell their antique piano for the hard cash he needs to stake his future. But Berniece refuses to sell, clinging to the piano as a reminder of the history that is their family legacy.

Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo

Tuesday | March 5, 2024, 3:00 PM - 11:00 PM

\$79

Attend the best tradition in Texas! For more than 90 years, the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo™ has offered the best in entertainment, education and charitable opportunities in Texas. Prior to the show, take a tour to help foster your understanding of what goes into this event as well as the importance of agriculture in Texas' economy. As the world's largest livestock show and rodeo, this event is a spectacle unlike any other.

The Simon & Garfunkel Story (The Grand 1894 Opera House)

Saturday | March 23, 2024, 5:00 PM - 11:00 PM

\$89

With more than 100 million albums sold, Simon & Garfunkel's perfect harmonies and songs poignantly captured the times that made one of the most successful folk-rock duos of all time. Relive all your favorites – "Mrs. Robinson," "Cecilia," "Bridge Over Troubled Water," "Homeward Bound," "The Sound of Silence" – with this immersive concert-style theater show chronicling the amazing journey shared by Paul Simon and Art Garfunkel.

George Ranch Historical Park

Saturday | April 6, 2024, 10:30 AM - 6:30 PM

\$49

George Ranch Historical Park is a living history museum that tracks four generations of one family over 100 years of Texas history. Originally settled in 1824 by Henry and Nancy Jones as part of Stephen F. Austin's colony, this working ranch stands as a testament to the independent spirit of Texas. Explore the lives and share the experiences that molded this farming and ranching empire and shaped the history of Texas.

Birdwatching – Galveston

Tuesday | April 9, 2024, 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

\$40

Travel to Galveston Island to see migrant traps and migrating shorebirds and songbirds. Please wear comfortable clothes, hiking or closed-toed shoes and be prepared to walk in grassy, brushy areas.

Bringing bottled water, snacks, binoculars and a camera are recommended.

Jane Eyre (Alley Theatre)

Tuesday | April 16, 2024, 4:00 PM - 11:00 PM

\$69

Adapted by Elizabeth Williamson from the beloved classic novel by Charlotte Brontë, this play follows the heroine who struggles for freedom and fulfillment on her own terms. She survives a childhood as an orphan and confronts poverty, injustice, and the discovery of a bitter betrayal, before she makes the ultimate decision to follow her heart.

The Cher Show (Theatre Under the Stars)

Tuesday | April 23, 2024, 4:00 PM - 11:00 PM

\$99

Superstars come and go. Cher is forever. This is her story, and it's packed with so much Cher that it takes three women to play her. This show also features every one of those amazing Bob Mackie costumes that Cher wore.

Galveston Homes Tour

Saturday | May 4, 2024, 9:00 AM - 6:30 PM

\$99

Galveston Historical Foundation opens the doors to Galveston's architectural history through public tours of privately owned homes during its annual Galveston Historic Homes Tour.

50 Plus Classes

Classes that are specifically designed to engage and serve the 50+ community. Must be at least 50 years of age to register. Required supplies listed in online syllabi for each course below.

Bead Stitching

Thursdays | January 25 - April 18, 2024,
1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

COM City Centre – Room 120

\$45

Instructor: Patricia Ouellette

So you want to be a beader? Learn a variety of stitches used for beading and finish a project with each stitch technique. (Estimated supply cost \$20-\$40)

Beaded Fashion Jewelry

Wednesdays | January 24 - April 17, 2024,
10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

COM City Centre – Room 120

\$45

Instructor: Rhonda Wilcox

Impress your friends with unique and stylish jewelry...made by you! Through lectures, demonstrations and hands-on projects, you will learn beginners' jewelry skills in the techniques of bead stringing and bead stitching. (Estimated supply cost \$60-\$80)

Brazilian Embroidery

Thursdays | January 25 - April 18, 2024,
1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

COM City Centre – Room 119

\$45

Instructor: Charlyn Walker

Create beautiful artwork using needle and thread! Brazilian Embroidery is a three-dimensional embroidery using caston bullions and other commonly used embroidery stitches but with rayon thread. (Estimated supply cost \$25-\$30)

Computer for Absolute Beginners

Thursdays | January 25 - April 18, 2024,
8:30 AM - 10:30 AM

COM City Centre – Room 115

\$30

Instructor: Mishelene Baker

Whether you have never worked with or have forgotten what you learned about computers, this class will meet you where you are! You will learn basic hardware differences and how to make Microsoft Windows friendlier, plus get an introduction to keyboarding, email and Facebook. All you will need for class is a USB flash/jump drive.

Cricut

Tuesdays | January 23 - April 16, 2024,
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Online through MS Teams

\$30

Instructor: Graciela Garza

Wednesdays | January 24 - April 17, 2024,
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

COM City Centre – Room 118

\$50

Instructor: Myrle Waller

Learn how to use a Cricut die-cutting machine to make personal t-shirts, stencils, etch on glass, and more! Course will start out with basic instructions of machine mechanics and then proceed to Cricut Design Space. You must have a laptop or tablet to access internet and download the Design Space program. A personal Cricut machine is required for online class. You must have basic computer skills. (Estimated supply cost \$25)

Drawing Basics

Mondays | January 22 - April 15, 2024,
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

COM City Centre – Room 120

\$30

Instructor: Eve Bertrams

Focus on the fundamentals of drawing using observation and drawing techniques. You will learn to develop a

visual language using lines, forms and depth, progressing from black and white forms to rendering images with shading and colors. (Estimated supply cost \$100).

Fused Glass

Mondays | January 22 - April 15, 2024,
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

COM City Centre – Room 117

\$125

Instructor: Deborah Deats

At its simplest, glass fusing is a process in which COE 96 glass is assembled and then melted/fused together in a kiln. This course will introduce you to fused glass concepts and techniques. You will use the basic steps required to make colorful creations by cutting, stacking, and melting together pieces of colored glass into small projects such as pendants, yard art, wired bugs, and bowls. You will need your own tools and toolbox.

Fused Glass – Next Level

Mondays | January 22 - April 15, 2024,
1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

COM City Centre – Room 117

\$125

Instructor: Deborah Deats

In this advanced class, you will complete several projects which encompass glass painting, different effects on layered glass, draping glass, and working with frit. Some projects will span one to three classes. We will also explore making molds and how to program a kiln. Course pre-requisite: Completion of 3 semesters of beginner Fused Glass class.

Microsoft Excel

Wednesdays | January 24 - April 17, 2024,
8:30 AM - 10:30 AM

COM City Centre – Room 115

\$30

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Instructor: Mishelene Baker

Excel makes working with data easy! You will find that Excel is an organizational tool that can be used in everyday tasks. Learn to create, manage, and edit workbooks, plus the challenge of optimizing worksheet functions to create formulas, templates and graphs. Prerequisite: Microsoft For Beginners

Microsoft for Beginners

Thursdays | January 25 - April 18, 2024,
10:45 AM - 12:45 PM

COM City Centre – Room 115

\$30

Instructor: Mishelene Baker

Have you just learned how to use your computer and now want to explore the Microsoft software on it? In this class you will learn about Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, Excel, and Outlook, including the basics of each application and the features needed for projects appropriate for the software platform. Additionally, we will also cover the use of the internet for business and internet safety.

Mosaics

Thursdays | January 25 - April 18, 2024,
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

COM City Centre – Room 117

\$45

Instructor: Michele Patrick

Learn from an award-winning mosaic artist how to make modern mosaics. Teaching will include getting familiar with the tools, cutting techniques, grouting, hanging/displaying options, etc. You will complete at least one project, plus gain the ability to create a mosaic on your own. (Estimated supply cost \$100 - \$110).

Mosaics – Next Level

Thursdays | January 25 - April 18, 2024,
12:30 PM - 3:30 PM

COM City Centre – Room 117

\$45

Instructor: Michele Patrick

Welcome to the Next Level...you can now call yourself a mosaic artist! Learn advanced tips and techniques, including but not limited to, glass on glass mosaics, introduction to mosaic power tools (video), seven methods for design transfer, grouting options, tips on submitting art to art shows, etc. You will complete at least one project. Prerequisite: Completion of three semesters of beginner mosaics class. (Estimated supply cost \$45-\$55).

Painting with Acrylics

Mondays | January 22 - April 15, 2024,
1:30 PM - 3:30 PM

COM City Centre – Room 118

\$30

Instructor: Deborah Brady

This beginner class provides the basics of using acrylic paints and the techniques needed to create finished artwork. Different acrylic mediums and styles will be introduced as well. You will paint various subjects incorporating the techniques learned. Please do not buy any of the supply materials until you have attended the first class. (Estimated supply cost \$75)

Painting with Oils

Tuesdays | January 23 - April 16, 2024,
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

COM City Centre – Room 118

\$45

Instructor: David Wheeler

Learn from the techniques of the great masters - exploring color and using light and shadow to create drama. This course teaches how to hold a brush, mix paint and use glazes, while starting with a limited paint pallet and expanding as the class progresses. All skill levels welcome. (Estimated supply cost \$120)

Painting with Watercolors

Wednesdays | January 24 - April 17, 2024,
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

COM City Centre – Room 117

\$45

Instructor: Eve Bertrams

Enjoy exploring watercolor's complexities while learning how to deal confidently with washes and color mixing. You will discover your hidden potential while learning the fundamentals of this art form! (Estimated supply cost \$200)

Painting, Abstract

Thursdays | January 25 - April 18, 2024,
1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

COM City Centre – Room 118

\$45

Instructor: Deborah Brady

Abstract art is not just throwing paint randomly onto a canvas. Come learn the rules of abstract art. Learn objective versus non-objective. Learn what freeing yourself can do for your artwork endeavors. Prerequisite: Painting with Acrylics class or some painting experience. (Estimated supply cost \$75+)

Paper Mâché

Mondays | January 22 - April 15, 2024,
9:30 AM - 12:30 PM

COM City Centre – Room 118

\$45

Instructor: Durelle Brown

Not only is paper mâché a way to explore your creativity, it is also a rewarding "green art" medium. You will design and construct your own project choosing from recycled and repurposed materials. (Estimated supply cost \$15-\$20)

Paper Quilling

Tuesdays | January 23 - April 16, 2024,

50 Plus Classes

Classes that are specifically designed to engage and serve the 50+ community. Must be at least 50 years of age to register. Required supplies listed in online syllabi for each course below.

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

COM City Centre – Room 118

\$30

Instructor: Myrle Waller

Come learn the papercraft art of quilling, which involves rolling, shaping, and gluing together strips of paper into creative and decorative designs. (Estimated supply cost \$30)

Photography

Mondays | January 22 - April 15, 2024,
2:30 PM - 4:30 PM

COM City Centre – Room 115

\$30

Instructor: Trudy Ledoux

Whether your desire is to photograph your family, vacations, or the world around you, this course will introduce you to basic photography skills and camera features that will significantly improve your photographs. While a digital single lens reflecting camera is recommended, whichever camera you have is perfect.

Photography – Next Level

Mondays | January 22 - April 15, 2024,
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

COM City Centre – Room 115

\$30

Instructor: Trudy Ledoux

Have you always wanted to take your photography skills to the next level? Perhaps you have been a photographer for years and just moved to the digital camera? Or you acquired a camera and are not sure how to use it. Overcome these obstacles and move from taking pictures to taking photographs! Prerequisite: Completion of two semesters of beginner Photography or other photography experience

Photoshop

Mondays | January 22 - April 15, 2024,

12:00 PM - 2:00 PM

COM City Centre – Room 115

\$30

Instructor: Trudy Ledoux

Learn how to simplify the process of using this photo manipulation application. You will be introduced to Photoshop's interface while learning basic editing tools from corrections to exposure, adjustments and cropping. Furthermore, you will have the opportunity to use edits like text, layers and combining photographs. Prerequisite: Intermediate level computer skills.

Quilting

Tuesdays | January 23 - April 16, 2024,
1:30 PM - 4:30 PM

COM City Centre – Room 120

\$45

Instructor: Elsa Tutt

Quilting symbolizes family and heritage, the joining of the past with the present. Learn how to create your own quilt, or even expand your existing quilting skills, by working on a project of your own choice. The class will cover quilting basics such as choosing fabrics, rotary cutting, piecing, basting, quilting and binding. Prerequisite: Own and know how to operate a sewing machine. (Estimated supply cost \$75-\$350)

Quilting, Mixed Techniques

Tuesdays | January 23 - April 16, 2024,
9:30 AM - 12:30 PM

COM City Centre – Room 119

\$45

Instructor: Elsa Tutt

Learn how to create a quilt block and/or top using advanced and/or mixed quilting techniques such as Applique, Curve Piecing, English Paper Piecing, and others. The class will work on a

recommended project that uses the technique. Prerequisite: Completion of three semesters of quilting class. (Estimated supply cost \$75-\$250)

Saltwater Fishing

Tuesdays | January 23 - April 16, 2024,
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

COM City Centre – Room 120

\$30

Instructor: Tom La Santa

Learn how to catch fish and discover tricks that will build your confidence to fish anywhere. We will cover the proper tackle and bait to use for different saltwater environments as well as techniques for casting, fighting, landing and cleaning fish. Learn how to maintain your fishing gear, plus the rules and regulations of fishing in Texas. Fishing field trips to Galveston and the Texas City Dike for additional fees (trips will be during class time, but you can stay longer if you choose). Course prerequisite: Valid Texas saltwater fishing license. (Estimated supply cost \$35-\$100)

Sewing Basics

Wednesdays | January 24 - April 17, 2024,
1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

COM City Centre – Room 119

\$45

Instructor: Elsa Tutt

Become knowledgeable with sewing terms and their definition, selecting and caring for different types of fabrics, and the sewing notions to meet a desired need. You will learn and develop basic sewing skills as you sew your very own project(s). (Estimated supply cost \$40-\$80)

Sign Language for Beginners

Wednesdays | January 24 - April 17, 2024,
1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

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\$30

Instructor: Susan Bledsoe

This class will focus on basic conversation in sign language using signs from American Sign Language. You will learn about deaf culture as well.

Spanish

Mondays | January 22 - April 15, 2024,
9:45 AM - 11:45 AM

COM City Centre – Room 119

\$30

Instructor: Alison Johnson Galdamez

¿Quiere aprender el español? Well, come join this class! You will obtain a working knowledge of conversational beginning Spanish including common vocabulary, phrases, parts of speech and sentence construction. The last class will be a conversational class at a local Spanish-speaking restaurant for an additional fee.

Stained Glass

Tuesdays | January 23 - April 16, 2024,
8:15 AM - 10:15 AM

COM City Centre – Room 117

Tuesdays | January 23 - April 16, 2024,
10:30 AM - 12:30 PM

COM City Centre – Room 117

\$30

Instructor: Patricia Stettler

Come learn the art of stained glass! You will learn to construct a panel from start to finish with the Copper Foil technique which will provide the basis to building additional panels. A small panel will be the class project. (Estimated supply cost \$150-\$300)

Stained Glass, Lead Came

Tuesdays | January 23 - April 16, 2024,
1:30 PM - 4:30 PM

COM City Centre – Room 117

\$45

Instructor: Patricia Stettler

Lead came is the material that holds separate pieces of glass together in an h-shaped channel so that the pieces of glass slide into either side. The comes are then soldered together at the seams to lend strength when creating large works of glass art, like windows. You will have the opportunity to assemble your own panel. (Estimated supply cost \$75-\$100)

Sublimation Printing

Wednesdays | January 24 - April 17, 2024,
1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

COM City Centre – Room 118

\$45

Instructor: Myrle Waller

Learn the basics and discover the joy of making retail quality items without screen printing or expensive printers and materials. Finally, crafters can create sublimation products at home! (Estimated supply cost \$100)

Sweet & Savory Eating

Wednesdays | January 24 - April 17, 2024,
1:30 PM - 3:30 PM

COM City Centre – Room 120

\$30

Instructor: Sharon Mitchiner

Meals should be easy to make and fun to eat! We will alternate between sweet and savory dishes. This is a whole food plant-based class with recipes that are easy, tasty and delicious. Both desserts and entrees with minimal effort and maximum flavor will be included.

Tangled Art

Thursdays | January 25 - April 18, 2024,
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

COM City Centre - Rm 118

\$30

Instructor: Susan Bledsoe

Tangled Art is easy to learn and is both a relaxing and fun way to create images by drawing structured, repetitive patterns. In this class, you are actually encouraged not to have an end goal in mind, but to create unplanned drawings through repetitive, simple steps.

Woodcarving

Mondays | January 22 - April 15, 2024,
1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

COM City Centre – Room 120

\$30

Instructor: Michael Duhon

Interested in learning woodcarving skills to produce carvings using only a knife blade? Come discover the basics, including knife cuts and techniques, dealing with grain direction when laying out patterns, and tool sharpening/maintenance in this introductory course. (Estimated supply cost \$30-40)

Woodworking

Thursdays | January 25 - April 18, 2024,
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

COM City Centre – Room 120

\$45

Instructor: Rick Goodheart

If you like working with your hands, woodworking may be a great hobby for you! Learn and develop basic woodworking skills all while making your own project. Discussions will include wood and tool terminology, layout techniques, joinery and finishes. Proper tool selection, sharpening, and project layout will be taught, with proper technique and safety in mind. (Estimated supply cost \$200-\$250)

50 Plus Mini Session Classes

Classes that are specifically designed to engage and serve the 50+ community.
Must be at least 50 years of age to register.

Want to try something new or stay inspired between semesters? Check out our **SHORT INTRODUCTORY MINI-CLASS OPTIONS WITH SUPPLIES INCLUDED.** Each course fee is \$10 and classes are held the weeks of May 13 and May 20.

Bead Stitching

Thursdays | 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM,
Room 120

Beaded Fashion Jewelry

Wednesdays | 10:00 AM -
1:00 PM, Room 120

Brazilian Embroidery

Thursdays | 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM,
Room 119

Cricut

Wednesdays | 9:00 AM -
12:00 PM, Room 118

Drawing Basics

Mondays | 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM,
Room 120

Paper Mache

Mondays | 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM,
Room 118

Quilting

Tuesdays | 1:30 PM - 4:30 PM, Room
120

Saltwater Fishing

Tuesdays | 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM,
Room 120

Tai Chi For Health

Tuesdays/Thursdays | 9:45 AM -
10:45 AM, Room 107

Tangled Art

Thursdays | 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM,
Room 118

Total Body Fitness

Mondays/Wednesdays | 8:30 AM -
9:30 AM, Room 107

Woodcarving

Mondays | 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM, Room
120

Zumba

Mondays/Wednesdays | 9:45 AM -
10:45 AM, Room 107

Tuesdays/Thursdays | 4:00 PM -
5:00 PM, Room 107

50 Plus Exercise Classes

Balance Training

Tuesdays/Thursdays | January 23 - April
18, 2024, 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM

COM City Centre – Room 104

\$30

Instructor: Patricia Trevisani

Reduce your fear of falling and increase your activity level with this class, which focuses on stretching and strengthening exercises that improve balance, coordination, and endurance over time. Instructor will use lecture, discussion, and videos to support the training. (Level 1)

Drums Cardio

Mondays/Wednesdays | January 22 -
April 17, 2024, 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM

COM City Centre – Room 104

\$30

Instructor: Patricia Trevisani

This class combines traditional aerobic movements with the powerful beat and rhythms of the drums. You will use a Pilates ball and drumsticks in choreographed routines that will get you moving to the music regardless of your mobility level. (Levels 1-3)

Hula Hoop For Health

Tuesdays/Thursdays | January 23 - April
18, 2024, 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

COM City Centre – Room 107

\$30

Instructor: Stacey Hutchison

Do you remember how much fun it was to hula hoop as a kid? It still is as an adult! During this class, we will hula hoop for physical fitness and positive mental health. Hoops will be provided. (Level 3)

Line Dancing

Mondays/Wednesdays | January 22 -
April 17, 2024, 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

COM City Centre – Room 107

\$30

Instructor: Patricia Trevisani

Line dancing involves performing patterned foot movements in a line in unison to music. This is a beginner class, so no experience is necessary. You must wear footwear that slides, swivels easily, and does not stick to the floor. (Level 2/3)

Pilates Basics

Tuesdays/Thursdays | January 23 - April
18, 2024, 2:45 PM - 3:45 PM

COM City Centre – Room 104

50 Plus Exercise Classes

Classes that are specifically designed to engage and serve the 50+ community. Must be at least 50 years of age to register.

PLEASE NOTE: Equipment is available for all exercise classes unless specified in description. Students are welcome to bring their own equipment if preferable.

Choose the class that is right for you:

LEVEL 1: Easy, gentle exercise/use of chair for support/exercise modifications provided

LEVEL 2: Moderate/slightly intense exercises/standing and floor movements/modifications provided

LEVEL 3: Active/higher intensity/aerobic exercises

\$30

Instructor: Sharon Deshotel

Learn the basics of Pilates as you ease your way into it. Exercises can be performed from a chair or even a mat if you are able to use the floor. (Level 1)

Pilates

Tuesdays/Thursdays | January 23 - April 18, 2024, 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

COM City Centre – Room 104

\$30

Instructor: Sharon Deshotel

Pilates strengthens the muscles that support the spine (the neck, shoulders, abs, hips and thighs) to bring balance into the body. Most body aches and pains are due to muscular imbalance. Pilates helps you realign your spine to decrease tension, increase flexibility and strengthen your body from the inside out. (Level 2)

Pilates, Weights, and Drums

Tuesdays/Thursdays | January 23 - April 18, 2024, 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

COM City Centre – Room 104

\$30

Instructor: Patricia Trevisani

Get three different exercises in just one class! You will perform different exercises each day to help strengthen and tone different areas of your body: Pilates, resistance bands, balls, hand weights, and drumming on the Pilate balls with drumsticks. (Level 2)

Sit-N-Fit

Mondays/Wednesdays | January 22 - April 17, 2024, 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

COM City Centre – Room 104

Tuesdays/Thursdays | January 23 - April 18, 2024, 10:15 AM - 11:15 AM

COM City Centre – Room 104

\$30

Instructor: Patricia Trevisani

This is a structured exercise program for anyone needing slow gentle movement and may also help to improve the quality of life of physically limited individuals through safe, effective exercises. Using chair exercises set to music, you will tone muscles and increase endurance. (Level 1)

Spinning

Fridays | January 26 - April 6, 2024, 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

COM Gym

\$15

Instructor: Elisa Scurry

Indoor cycling on Keiser spin bikes offers a fun and effective way to burn fat and improve cardiovascular endurance to music. You will learn cycling techniques and tips as you ride! (Level 2/3)

Tai Chi For Health

Tuesdays/Thursdays | January 23 - April 18, 2024, 9:45 AM - 10:45 AM

COM City Centre – Room 107

\$30

Instructor: Mildred Smith

Perfect for beginners, Tai Chi for Health is a

gentle, yet strengthening, low impact form of exercise that can improve balance and flexibility, as well as help manage stress. It is safe and effective; beneficial for overall physical health, cardiovascular issues and chronic health conditions. (Level 1)

Total Body Fitness

Mondays/Wednesdays | January 22 - April 17, 2024, 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM

COM City Centre – Room 107

\$30

Instructor: Alison Johnson Galdamez

Reap cardiovascular and strength benefits while doing fun, slightly intense exercises! We will learn to properly and safely stretch, warm up, and perform abdominal, upper-body and lower-body exercises. Some yoga will be included as well. Please wear workout clothes and tennis shoes. (Level 3)

Zumba

Mondays/Wednesdays | January 22 - April 17, 2024, 9:45 AM - 10:45 AM

COM City Centre – Room 107

Tuesdays/Thursdays | January 23 - April 18, 2024, 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

COM City Centre – Room 107

\$30

Instructor: Elisa Scurry

Zumba incorporates a variety of Latin-inspired dance moves to create a one-of-a-kind fitness program that will tone and sculpt your body while burning unwanted fat through aerobic exercise. Come join in the fun! (Level 3)

General Information & Map

PAYMENT OF FEES AND TUITION

All tuition and fees must be paid at the time of registration. We accept VISA, MasterCard and Discover. No cash, checks, money orders or American Express will be accepted.

CANCELLATION OF COURSES

Each course has a minimum enrollment requirement or is subject to cancellation one week prior to start of class. Find a class you like and encourage a friend to join you! It could make the difference between having it or not. If the college cancels a course an automatic 100 percent refund of tuition is initiated.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FUND

The Lifelong Learning Scholarship Fund is designed to help students who wish to participate in classes but are unable to due to financial hardship. If eligible, a student may be awarded up to \$45 tuition per semester to register for one class. Call 409-933-8461 for information on how to apply.

Want to sponsor a student? Complete a donation card at the welcome desk or go to the COM website at <https://give.com.edu/ways-to-give/> to give online. Be sure to designate your gift to Lifelong Learning Scholarship Fund. Thank you for your support!

MAKE-UP CLASSES

In the event of a college-wide closure (i.e., inclement weather, power outage, etc.) that results in canceled classes, instructors are not required to reschedule class. However, if an instructor must personally cancel a class, every attempt will be made to reschedule it prior to the end of the semester.

WAITING LISTS

Want to attend a class that is full? Join the waiting list online or contact the Lifelong Learning Program Office at 409-933-8461 to be added.

REFUND POLICIES

Community Education Refund Policy

Community Education classes/workshops will be 100 percent refunded if a student cancels by the registration deadline. Refund requests may be made

in person at the Lifelong Learning office or by phone at 409-933-8461. Refund requests must be received during normal business hours.

50 Plus Refund Policy

50 Plus classes will be 100 percent refunded if canceled before the first day of class. Refund requests may be made in person at the Lifelong Learning office or by phone at 409-933-8461. Refund requests must be received during normal business hours at least one business day prior to the calendar start date of the class.

Trip Refund Policy

Tickets are pre-purchased for trip events; therefore, they are non-refundable.

COLLEGE CALENDAR

In accordance with the approved College calendar, the college will be closed:

March 11-17, 2024

March 29-31, 2024

PHOTO AND VIDEO POLICY

COM's Marketing and Communications Department takes photographs (still and video) of students throughout the year. These photographs and videos often include students in classrooms, study areas, at events, etc. COM reserves the right to use these photographs and video as a part of its publicity and marketing efforts. Students who enroll at COM do so with the understanding that these photographs and videos might be used in College publications, both printed and electronic, for recruiting and advertising purposes.

TOBACCO-FREE ENVIRONMENT

All College of the Mainland campuses are tobacco-free facilities. In addition, COM has a zero-tolerance policy for alcohol on campus.

STUDENT RECORD PRIVACY POLICY

College of the Mainland complies with the provisions of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (Buckley Amendment of 1974, Public Law 90-247, as amended) and any regulations that may be promulgated therein. The College permits a student to inspect his or her own records and limits disclosure to others if a student has not been

granted access by prior written consent. No student record, demographics, or schedule information will be shared with anyone over the phone or with any third party.

COM ALERT

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CAMPUS CARRY

As of August 1, 2017, Texas community colleges are required to comply with Senate Bill 11, commonly known as the "campus carry" bill. Individuals holding a license to carry (LTC), formerly concealed handgun license, will have the legal right to carry a concealed handgun onto community college campuses; however, openly carrying a firearm on a college campus is illegal. Please take note that storing handguns in personal vehicles on campus is allowed. A license holder may carry a concealed handgun on or about their person while on College District property or in any buildings or properties owned, leased, or rented by the College District except in areas that have been deemed gun-free zones under this policy. For further information about gun-free zone locations, Campus Carry policy, and campus safety, please see the following link, <http://www.com.edu/campus-safety-and-security>.

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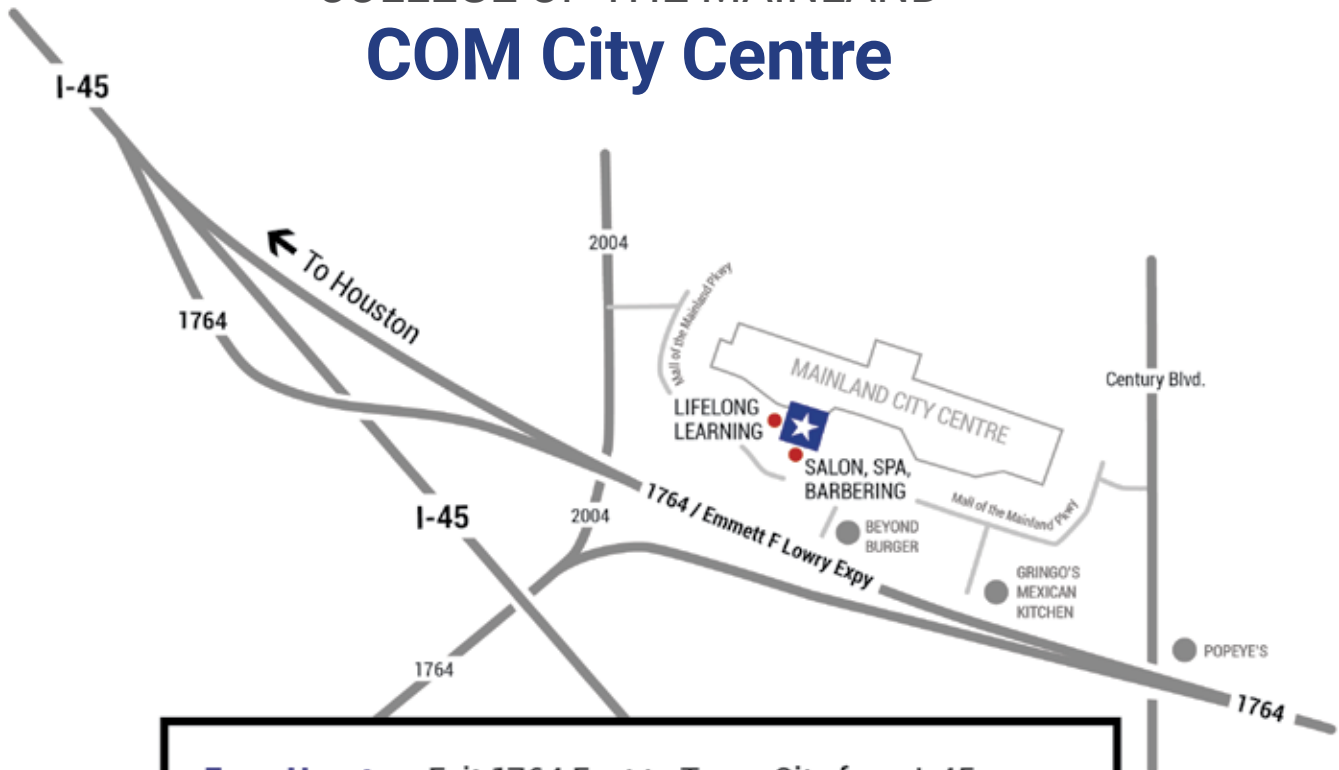
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