CSI COMMUNITY ED Spring 2021
REGISTER FOR THESE CLASSES HERE

If you prefer, you can also call 732-6288 to register by phone
For the spring semester, all students and instructors are required to wear masks and adhere to social distancing policies. Email cbarigar@csi.edu for info

STUDIO POTTERY
Dates: Tuesdays, January 19 – April 20 or Thursdays, Thursdays, January 21 – April 22
Time: 6 – 8:30 p.m.
Fee: $130 + $20 per 20 lb bag of clay (bought at CSI Bookstore)
Location: Art Lab 113
Instructor: Christina Dowdy
Explore a variety of pottery fundamentals while using clay as an expressive medium to create one-of-a-kind functional and decorative pieces. During the 25 hours of studio time, you’ll learn hand-building fundamentals, wheel-throwing, and basic elements of sculpture from ceramicist Christina Dowdy. Finish your pieces with a myriad of glazing and decoration techniques. Beginning and experienced potters alike will advance their skills and sense of creativity. Students can expect to use between 2 and 5 bags of clay per class depending on the scope of their chosen project(s).

YOUTH KARATE – NEW!
Dates: January 19 – May 27
Age: 6 – 13
Days: Tuesdays and Thursdays
Time: 6 – 7 p.m.
Fee: $80
Location: Rec Center 236
Instructor: Crissie Gard
Twin Falls Shotokan Karate at CSI for kids! Karate is an excellent way to help develop coordination, confidence, physical fitness, and mental strength while gaining valuable social skills. Shotokan Karate of America (SKA) has been teaching traditional Karate in the USA since 1955. Because of SKA’s strong resolve to offer high-quality martial arts to the public, SKA has remained non-commercial and non-profit and continues to offer authentic, traditional martial arts instruction at affordable rates through more than 140 dojos across the United States and Canada with affiliates worldwide. The kids class is led Crissie Gard, ikkyu (1st degree brown belt). Her husband, Courtney who is also an ikkyu co-teaches with her. This class is connected to the Twin Falls Shotokan Karate Adults Class at CSI that is led by Jesse Clark. Learn more at twinfalls.ska.org
KARATE
Dates: January 20 – May 29
Age: Adults and youth 14+ (exceptions made with instructor’s approval)
Days: Mondays and Wednesdays, 6 – 8 p.m. & Saturdays, 9:30 – 11 a.m.
Fee: $80
Location: Rec Center 236
Instructor: Jesse Clark
Karate is an excellent way to help develop coordination, confidence, physical fitness, and mental strength while gaining valuable social skills. Advanced students, who must be members of SKA association, will get a chance to learn additional techniques, attend meets and special events, and be taught by guest instructors. Shotokan Karate of America (SKA) has been teaching traditional Karate in the USA since 1955. SKA was founded by Tsutomu Ohshima, who was one of Master Funakoshi’s last direct pupils, studying under him while attending Waseda University in Tokyo, Japan. Because of SKA’s strong resolve to offer high-quality martial arts to the public, SKA has remained non-commercial and non-profit and continues to offer authentic, traditional martial arts instruction at affordable rates through more than 140 dojos across the United States and Canada with affiliates worldwide. Mr. Ohshima granted instructor Jesse Clark permission to instruct SKA in Twin Falls in 2011. Jesse Clark, sandan (3rd degree black belt), is the CSI head Karate and self-defense instructor for CSI. Jesse fought for the USA Team in France in 2014 and in Switzerland in 2017. Learn more at twinfalls.ska.org

KARATE FAMILY DISCOUNT!
After two sign-ups from the same family, each additional member only $20.

CREATIVE WRITING
Dates: January 26 – March 16
Days: Tuesdays
Time: 7 – 9 p.m.
Fee: $120
Location: Shields 114
Instructor: Shane Brown, Jim Irons
Have you ever felt that you would like to write down the stories from your life—the funny, the sad, the profound events from your life—but have not had the opportunity or encouragement to do so? Are you looking to get your creative juices flowing and let your imagination and experiences pour onto the paper? This class is designed for anyone who wants to dive into the world of creative non-fiction writing. Whether you’re a beginner or an advanced writer, this class will craft your skill and sharpen your writing. This course, taught by CSI Theater and English instructor Shane Brown and Idaho poet Laureate and English professor Jim Irons, is a beginning level introduction with a focus on students creating material while work-shopping and learning the structures of creative non-fiction writing. The course offers a glimpse into the world of short stories, poetry, and memoir writing. Students will read and discuss examples from various writers, use these as models to create their own works, and workshop their own, and others’, writings in a safe yet challenging setting.
INTRO TO WELDING & METAL ART  
Dates: January 28 – April 22  
Days: Thursdays  
Time: 6 – 8:30 p.m.  
Fee: $250 + $25 to instructor for gloves and mask  
Location: Desert 105  
Instructor: Jenn Crowdson  
Explore the technology of metal fabrication and welding to create a metal piece that will become something beautiful and durable... or just to brush up on your skills and work on a specific project or art piece! During this hands-on course, students will be introduced to shop safety, two welding processes (arc welding and mig welding), grinding, different methods of metal cutting (plasma, oxy/fuel torch, cold saw, and disk cutting), and a variety of metal coloring techniques (paint, chemical, heat coloring) to create a finished project to take home at the end of the semester. Students need to come dressed in clothes appropriate for welding such as jeans, leather shoes/boots, and long-sleeved shirts of canvas or cotton. Loaner welding helmets, safety glasses, ear plugs, respirators, leather jackets, and gloves will be loaned to students if needed. The class is limited to 10 people and normally fills – early registration is suggested.

BEGINNING GUITAR  
Dates: January 28 – March 4  
Days: Thursdays  
Time: 6 – 8 p.m.  
Location: Fine Arts 137  
Instructor: Michael Frew  
Fee: $120  
Did you get a new guitar for Christmas or do you have an old one collecting dust in your house? Have you always wanted to learn how to play? If so, this class is for you! Performing musician and CSI guitar instructor Michael Frew offers this quick-start course for beginning guitar students. You'll build basic guitar skills step-by-step with the help of hands-on exercises in a group setting. You will learn how to play chord diagrams and basic music, varying strum patterns, how to tune your guitar, how to replace your guitar strings, how to use a capo and tuner, and much more. Students should bring their own guitar.

JAPANESE TEABOWLS & THE JAPANESE TEA CEREMONY  
Dates: February 3 – April 28  
Days: Wednesday  
Time: 6:30 – 9 p.m.  
Fee: $120  
Location: Visual Arts 113  
Instructor: Mayumi Kiefer  
Mayumi Kiefer, you will get the unique chance to learn the history and cultural significance of the traditional Japanese tea ceremony and the methods used for making a tea bowl. You'll explore each component of the tea serving set - the tools, ingredients and movement - from aesthetic, cultural, and practical points of view. This course will be a great way to examine your own cultural perspectives and not just a look at a “curious custom”, so come with an open mind and be prepared to experience communication and cultures from a non-western point of view. You’ll be introduced to the four main methods of making a tea bowl (coil, pinch, thrown or sculpted), and will be able to make one or more of these bowls to take home with you at the conclusion of the course.
NOTE: Traditional Tea Ceremony is an art form licensed by several ancient schools, and this course does NOT provide any official certification or license.

**FUNDAMENTAL JAPANESE 1**
Dates: February 4 – April 29
Days: Thursday
Time: 6 – 8 p.m.
In-person Fee: $99 + materials
Location: Online Over Zoom
Instructor: Mayumi Kiefer
Whether you want to speak Japanese for business or personal reasons, Fundamental Japanese 1 is as great way to learn! In this class, Mayumi Kiefer will be guiding you through a well-balanced approach to learning the language that incorporates dialogue and grammar as well as many words and expressions that are closely tied to everyday life. This class will approach the Japanese language holistically by introducing cultural aspects and contexts for each of the lessons. Since this course focuses on the spoken portion of language learning, students will be expected to participate actively and pre-read each of the lessons before coming to class. You will need to purchase the textbook Genki 1, by Japanese Times Publishing prior to class. This class is taught online over Zoom this semester.

**GRANT WRITING 101: FINDING, WRITING, & WINNING THE FUNDING YOU NEED**
Dates: February 6
Days: Saturday
Time: 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. MST
Fee: $60
Location: Shields 102 and Over Zoom
Instructor: Justin Vipperman and Emily English
The one day, three-hour course is focused on enhancing the skill set of both beginning and experienced grant writers. During the course we will cover finding and preparing to write a winning grant proposal, writing grant proposals that reviewers want to fund, and knowing what to do before and after your proposal is funded. Attendees will walk away with answers to questions like these: “Where can I find money for myself, my company, or my organization?”, “How does the grant process really work?”, and “What can grant money be used for and what are the grant funders really looking for?”. Additionally, a significant portion of the time will be available for attendees to ask and receive answers to questions that are specific to them, their organizations, and their funding needs. Instructors Justin Vipperman and Emily English bring an extensive history of more than 20 years’ experience working with grants, government and public agencies, educational institutions, and non-profit organizations. They are currently employed as a full-time grant professional in the Magic Valley community.

**DIY WOODWORKING PROJECTS: CUSTOM PLAQUES WITH ANTIQUE FINISHING**
Dates: February 10 – March 17
Days: Wednesdays
Time: 6 – 8:30 p.m.
Fee: $80 + $22 supply fee paid to the instructor
Location: Canyon 133
Instructor: Jessica Larsen
In this class, you will start with a blank slab of wood and then transform it into something special using a variety of different antiquing and distressing techniques. If you have ever been interested in woodworking and are
looking for a great place to start, this is it. Familiarize yourself with different pieces of woodshop equipment and how to use them safely. Begin by choosing one of five custom sign design projects, and then complete your sign by learn how to build frames and distress using chisels, scrapers, and worm holing. Additional activities will include: staining, painting, chalk painting, glazing and various finishes. Leave class with a handy new skill set as well as a new one of a kind sign to take home.

PRIVATE PILOT / DRONE AVIATION GROUND SCHOOL
Dates: February 10 – April 28
Days: Wednesdays
Time: 6 – 9 p.m.
Instructor: Precision Aviation Staff
Fee: $250
Location: Shields 109
Aspiring aircraft and drone pilots will take their world to new heights with this 33-hour class that covers the concepts and practical applications to prepare them to take the FAA written exam for their private pilot certificate. Students will learn basic aerodynamics, aircraft performance, power plant systems, airspace categories, flight instruments, meteorology, weight and balance, airborne emergencies, Federal Aviation Regulations, navigation and flight physiology. The class fee includes course book, FAR's, AIM, Private Pilot test guidebook, plotter, mechanical flight computer and chart, and certificate at the end of the completed course. Registration is open to anyone 15 years old and above. Instructors are Precision Aviation Staff holding instructor ratings CFI, CFII & MEI. There will be no class spring break.

CONVERSATIONAL SPANISH
Dates: February 17 – May 12
Days: Wednesday
Time: 6 to 8 p.m.
Instructor: Anna Trelles
Fee: $120
Location: Shields 107
Are you planning a trip to a Spanish-speaking country? Do you need to learn how to communicate better with Spanish speakers? Has it been a long time since you took Spanish in school and you want to brush up your skills? In this Conversational Spanish class, you’ll learn basic communication skills in the second most common language in the Magic Valley without the pressure of tests and with very little writing. You’ll spend the semester learning basic phrases and vocabulary and practicing them with your other classmates. You’ll be able to talk about yourselves, others, and your interests. In addition, you’ll learn a little about the Hispanic culture. This class can be tailored to the wants of the individual class.

A, B, C AND Ds OF MEDICARE
Day: Wednesday
Dates: February 17
Time: 7 – 8:30 p.m.
Location: Shields 105
Instructor: Ken Azbill
Fee: $10 includes one guest at no charge
This class will clarify the benefits and regulations of Medicare to help you maximize your participation in this program. Class discussion includes enrollment guidelines, premiums, and private health plans to reduce medical costs.
GRANT WRITING 102: FINDING, WRITING, & WINNING THE FUNDING YOU NEED – NEW!
Dates: March 6
Days: Saturday
Time: 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Fee: $80
Location: Shields 102 & 103
Instructor: Justin Vipperman and Emily English
Grant Writing 102 is based upon the principles and instruction included in the Grant Writing 101 course. Participants with more experience writing grants will have an opportunity to receive detailed critical feedback as they develop a proposal. A central goal of the course is to develop clear Specific Aims Page (which supplies additional background information) as the heart of the grant, which attendees will submit prior to class. This will be used for discussion, critique and suggestions from your instructors and classmates. Typically a project will go through several cycles before moving on to writing the rest of the proposal. A participant may aim to fully develop a proposal and submit it at the end of the workshop, or may choose to develop a proposal over several workshops. Participants are encouraged to use the workshop to prepare revisions of previously reviewed grants, competitive renewals of previously funded grants, as well as new proposals.

RAPTOR IDENTIFICATION
Dates: Tuesdays and Thursdays, March 9, 11, & 16 from 6 – 9 p.m. & Saturday, March 20 from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Location: Shields 201 for classroom session & Outside for a Field Trip
Instructors: Experienced birders from Prairie Falcon Audubon, Inc.
Fee: $60
Raptors are some of the easiest birds to view in Southern Idaho. They can be seen perched on wheel lines, power lines and poles, hunting low over farm fields, or soaring overhead throughout the year. In this course you will learn how to use their field markings, flight patterns, habitat selections and behaviors so that when you see a raptor, you’ll be able to confidently add it to your list. Participants will learn to identify eagles, falcons, buteos, accipiters, owls, turkey vultures and harriers during 3 classroom sessions and a Saturday field trip conducted by the Magic Valley’s very best birders. Note: Attendees will need to bring their own or borrowed binoculars to the first class and to the Saturday field trip and drive themselves to the field locations.

UNDERSTANDING PHOTOGRAPHY: THE ART OF PAINTING WITH LIGHT
Dates: March 12 and 13
Days: Friday and Saturday
Time: Friday 6 – 9 p.m. and Saturday 9 – 4 p.m.
Fee: $129
Location: Fine Arts 87
Instructor: Drew Nash
Join award-winning photographer Drew Nash in learning how to use your digital camera beyond its automatic settings and pick up some tricks of the trade along the way for capturing truly beautiful photos. Participants will need to bring their own DSLR or mirrorless camera. During the class, you will learn how to understand exposure, the key functions of a DSLR camera, composition, lens selection, white
balance controls, and fill flash. Students will explore the CSI campus making images as they apply what they’ve learned. Nash will also go over portrait posing and basic lighting techniques. Lastly, he will provide critiques of photos and discuss basic post-production work of select student images and answer burning photography questions. Don’t miss the opportunity to explore the art of photography and follow the light with Drew. There will be a lunch break on Saturday, so please bring a sack lunch.

HOW TO TRAVEL FREE & SAFELY
Dates: March 18
Days: Thursday
Time: 6 – 9 p.m. MST
Instructor: Gina Henry
Fee: $60
Location: Online Via Zoom
We’re ready to get back to our travels! When it is safe to go on a trip, where can we go, how do we stay safe, and how do we make our travel free? If you are near retirement, changing careers, a student, or someone who likes the idea of making additional income to support your travel dream, this class is for you. World traveler Gina Henry shows you how she is prepared for the new “travel normal” including important tips on safety, trip insurance, what to do if you become sick, and other strategies. Discover over 200 ways to travel free. Earn free airline tickets, hotel nights, tours & more in the USA & worldwide! Volunteering, fun work-vacations, paid travel, teaching English and remote employment opportunities. You’ll also learn about safety tips during this time including information about where to travel & when it is safe, the best resources on travel restrictions at home & abroad, the safest places to vacation in the US & overseas, safety tips for visiting family & friends on vacation, what airlines, hotels & restaurants are doing to protect travelers, what you can do when you fly, check into a hotel, and dine out for extra safety, and more. Tuition includes Gina’s 100-page ebook How to Travel Free & Safely (retail value $39.95).

RETIRE WITH CONFIDENCE: YOUR ROADMAP TO FINANCIAL FREEDOM
Days: Tuesdays
Dates: March 30 – April 13
Time: 6 – 8:30 p.m.
Location: Shields 107
Instructor: Brian Scott
Fee: $49 includes one guest at no charge
Retirement is glowing on the horizon… what do you see – goals… dreams… a certain lifestyle? You’ve worked and saved; you’ve anticipated that Social Security and maybe a pension will pay a portion of your way in retirement. You feel like you’re on the right track… but what now - do you have enough to fund your entire retirement? In this class we will explore how to create your retirement plan, Social Security, pension options, income investing, annuities, other income generating assets, budgeting, investing in retirement, health care, tax strategies, and estate planning. Instructor Brian J Scott, CRPC®, a Magic Valley native, is the owner and founder of Elevánt Wealth and has built a successful practice focused on helping his clients confidently transition into retirement.
DOG OBEDIENCE
Dates: April 26 – May 19
Days: Mondays and Wednesdays
Time: 6-7 p.m.
Instructor: Donna Stalley
Fee: $95
Location: Back Expo Center Lawn
Learn how to train your dog in an exciting and fun format using positive reinforcement and behavior modification. You will socialize and train your dog in basic obedience and experience the fun of beginning agility training. Goals of this class include better mannered and socialized dogs and more educated and empowered owners. The class is taught by a licensed clinical counselor with over 35 years of experience as a dog obedience instructor. Class will be held in an area just south of the Expo Center. In the case of bad weather, the class will move inside.

TAKE A WALK THROUGH HISTORY PART I - NEW!
Dates: May 22
Days: Saturday
Time: 10 a.m. – Noon
Instructor: Samra Culum and Russ Tremayne
Fee: $25
Location: TF City Park Bandshell
Whether your passion is for architectural details, native landscape, or the colorful stories behind the buildings, a historic walking tour is the perfect way to explore Twin Falls’ rich heritage! Join us as we learn about Idaho’s experiment with the Carey Act and its creation of an unexpected boom in the southern two-thirds of the state. This two-part tour will explore the Downtown and City Park Historic District. The buildings, streets and parks in these historic districts were created as the center of commerce, culture, and residential living. These districts represent the largest collection of historically significant and architecturally important buildings in the city.

BOTANY FOR BEGINNERS – NEW!
Dates: May 25, 27, and 29
Days: Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday
Time: 6 – 8 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday / 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. Saturday
Fee: $75
Location: Shields 102
Instructor: Don Morishita
Have you ever wondered what the weed or plant growing in your yard or that you see while out hiking is? Or, have you thumbed through hundreds of pages of a plant identification book looking for a photo that looks like what you have? In this class you will learn about basic plant characteristics and anatomy and then how use this information to recognize plants and plant families. Some handouts will be provided. The book “Botany in a Day” is recommended, but not required.