

CSI COMMUNITY ED Spring 2022

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JUDO FOR BEGINNERS: THE GENTLE WAY

Dates: January 18 – May 26

Days: Tuesdays and Thursdays

Time: 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Instructor: Joe Miller

Fee: \$85 + \$20 gi rental each session

Location: Rec Center 231A

Judo is an Olympic sport with a rich history and tradition based on mutual benefit for all, emphasizing self-respect, respect for others, and respect for property. It is a great sport for ages 8+ with built-in anti-bullying principles. Judo is an excellent sport for cross training, as we teach you throws and ground techniques. Opportunities include local tournaments and guest teachers from the USA Elite Rosters. Students may begin this class at any time during the semester.



YOUTH KARATE

Dates: January 18 – May 26

Age: 6 – 13

Days: Tuesdays and Thursdays

Time: 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Fee: \$95

Location: Rec Center 236

Instructor: Crissie Gard

Twin Falls Shotokan Karate at CSI for kids age 6 - 13! Karate is an excellent way to help develop coordination, confidence, physical fitness, and mental strength while gaining valuable social skills. The special youth 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 and is a great introduction to Karate in a positive and supportive atmosphere. Learn more at twinfalls.ska.org



KARATE

Dates: January 19 – May 28

Age: Adults and youth 14+

Days: Mondays and Wednesdays, 6 – 8 p.m.

& Saturdays, 9:30 – 11 a.m.

Fee: \$75

Location: CSI Gym Floor

Instructor: Jesse Clark

Karate is an excellent way to help develop coordination, confidence, physical fitness, and mental strength while gaining valuable social skills. This class is for beginners to advanced students, who will get a chance to learn additional techniques, attend meets, and be taught by guest instructors. 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 world. Jesse Clark, sandan - 3rd degree black belt, is the head CSI Karate instructor for CSI. Jesse fought for the USA Team in France in 2014 and in Switzerland in 2017. Ages 14-Adult. Learn more at twinfalls.ska.org

KARATE FAMILY DISCOUNT!

After two sign-ups from the same family, each additional member only \$35.



CREATIVE WRITING

Dates: January 25 – March 15

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 - 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? Whether you're a beginner or an advanced writer, this creative non-fiction writing workshop taught by CSI Theater and English instructor Shane Brown and Idaho poet Laureate and English professor Jim Irons, will craft your skill and sharpen your writing. During the workshop, you will read and discuss examples from various writers, use these as models to create your own work, and workshop your own, and others' writings in a safe yet challenging setting.



ABUNDANT YOGA

Dates: January 26-February 16

Days: Wednesdays

Time: 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Fee: \$75

Location: Fine Arts Auditorium

Instructor: Amy Toft

Do you have the idea that yoga is not for you because you live in an abundant, bountiful body? Wrong! Yoga is for everybody. Every. Body. It can be hard to walk into a class and be worried if you can keep up...if everyone there is smaller than you... if it will be too hard...if tiny little stick people will give you the side eye while putting their legs over their heads... if your breathing will be too loud... Nothing could be further from the truth - Yoga is for you, too! Abundant Yoga is a workshop for beginning or experienced yogis who may have a larger body. This workshop will help you prepare for any yoga class by learning how to adapt and vary any yoga pose for your own beautiful body. We'll learn yoga etiquette, a little history, chakra lore, and how to decipher yoga class descriptions to make sure a class is for you. Every week we will move and breathe.



STUDIO POTTERY

Dates: Tuesdays, January 26-April 27 or Thursdays, January 28-April 29

Time: 6 – 8:30 p.m.

Fee: \$180 + \$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).



SOUPS & STEWS

Dates: January 27-February 10

Days: Thursdays

Time: 6 – 7:30 p.m.

Fee: \$90+ \$49/supplies

Location: Desert 114

Instructor: Dianne Jolovich

Brush up on your culinary skills while growing your recipe folder of comforting and delicious winter soups and stews. In this hands-on class, you'll learn about the types of soups and stews, bases, how to enhance flavor, thickeners, seasonings, what ingredients go together, methods of cooking, and more. Bring on the cozy soup coma and soft pants! Over the three weeks, you will make Instant Pot Butternut Squash Soup, Chicken Stew, Lasagna Soup, Beef and Mushroom Stew, Tuscan Tortellini Soup, and Traditional Beef Stew. Please bring your own freezer containers to class to take home your soups and stews.



BEGINNING GUITAR

Dates: January 27 – March 3

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.



INTRO TO WELDING & METAL ART

Dates: January 27 – April 21

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 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 learn about shop safety, arc and mig welding, grinding, plasma, oxy/fuel torch, cold saw, and disk cutting, and paint, chemical, and heat metal coloring techniques. The end result will be a finished project to take home at the end of the semester. Come dressed ready for welding in jeans, leather shoes/boots, and long-sleeved shirts of canvas or cotton. Loan helmets, safety glasses, ear plugs, respirators, leather jackets, and gloves will be loaned to students if needed.



INTRO TO MICROSOFT WORD

Dates: January 27–February 17

Days: Thursdays

Time: 6 – 8 p.m.

Fee: \$80

Location: Shields 208

Instructor: Jim Medina

Are you new or feel new to Word? Want to get more comfortable with the basics? Want to get faster at using it or more proficient for work? This class will help you become more familiar with Word, its terminology, and many of the functions. We'll work with graphics, tables, formatting, bullet points, and many of the features and functionalities that will make your job easier. Did I mention shortcuts? You will get hands-on experience.

TAKE ALL THREE MICROSOFT OFFICE COURSES AND SAVE! REGISTER FOR INTRO TO MICROSOFT WORD, EXCEL, AND POWERPOINT AND PAY \$225



CHUNKY WEAVE BLANKET

Dates: February 7 & 9

Days: Monday & Wednesday

Time: 6 - 8 p.m.

Fee: \$35

Location: Shields 113

Instructor: Mandi Shank

Chunky weaved blankets are the stuff dreams are made of. They're cuddly, they're comfy, and they add some softness and character to your space when you fold them over your couch or let them drape loosely from a chair. Come join us in learning how to make these blankets that are plush, unbelievably soft and cozy. Anyone can do it! Each student needs to bring 4 skeins for lap blanket, 5-6 skeins for larger blanket of chunky yarn in your favorite color.



BASIC WATERCOLOR PAINTING

Dates: February 9 – April 27

Days: Wednesdays

Time: 6-8 p.m.

Fee: \$170 + supplies

Location: Hepworth 135

Instructor: Mike Youngman

In this class, students with a broad range of experience in watercolor will discover the magic of playing and exploring as they get comfortable with watercolor fundamentals from artist and retired CSI Art Professor Mike Youngman. You will learn how to choose the best watercolor paints and brushes for you, why texture and weight of watercolor paper are important, and how to prevent your paper from warping as you paint. Learn to see like an artist, and discover the value of light and shadow to add drama to your paintings! Topics covered will include blending and mixing colors, papers, brush technique, composition, drawing skills, controlling the transparency of the paint, pulling and dipping, washes (flat, gradated, and variegated), wet-on-dry, wet-on-wet, lifting out, masking, texturing, wax resist, line & wash, & more. You will purchase your own supplies after the first class.



PRIVATE PILOT / DRONE AVIATION GROUND SCHOOL

Dates: February 9 – April 27

Days: Wednesdays

Time: 6 – 9 p.m.

Instructor: Precision Aviation Staff

Fee: \$250

Location: Shields 106

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 week.



GRANT WRITING 101: FINDING, WRITING, & WINNING THE FUNDING YOU NEED

Dates: February 10

Days: Thursday

Time: 6-9 p.m.

Fee: \$60

Location: Shields 104

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. 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 24 years’ experience working with grants, government and public agencies, educational institutions, and non-profit organizations.



BASICS OF CAKE DECORATING

Dates: February 15 – March 15

Days: Tuesdays

Time: 6 – 7:30 p.m.

Fee: \$100 plus \$60 paid to instructor for supplies

Location: Desert 114

Instructor: Scotti Easterday

Learn the basics of cake decorating from filling and frosting to amazing finishing touches! In this class, you will learn torting (leveling) cake layers, basic cake carving, and frosting techniques. You’ll learn how to use toppers (finishers) such as ganache, sprinkles, and cake crumbs and the basics of borders, piping letters, and flowers. The instructor will also cover two forms of fondant and how to cover the cake with the fondant and then cut shapes and make figures with it. Students will finish each class with some awesome edible art and will get to keep the following cake decorating tools: serrated knife, two offset spatulas, piping bags, decorating tips, and fondant tools. **NOTE: REGISTRATION DEADLINE OF FEBRUARY 4**



A, B, C AND Ds OF MEDICARE

Day: Wednesday

Dates: February 16

Time: 7 – 8:30 p.m.

Location: Shields 105

Instructor: Ken Azbill

Fee: \$20 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.



SIDE HUSTLE MARKETING

Dates: February 16-23

Days: Wednesdays

Time: 6 – 8 p.m.

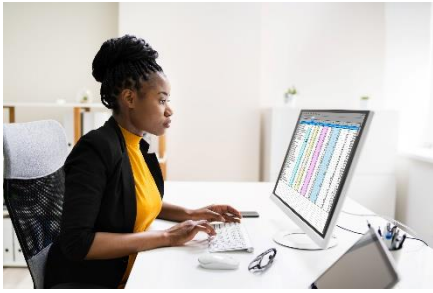
Fee: \$65

Location: Shields 208

Instructor: Jim Medina

You have a side hustle, now what? Do your customers know how to find you? Does Google know you exist? Can you be

found on the search engines? Should you advertise? How should you advertise? Who are your best customers? In this short entry-level course, you’ll learn simple and actionable methods to draw customers too you. You’ll gain an understanding of how marketing applies to and can help your side hustle while getting started on identifying your most likely customers and ways to get them to reach out to you.



INTRO TO MICROSOFT EXCEL

Dates: February 24-March 17

Days: Thursdays

Time: 6 – 8 p.m.

Fee: \$80

Location: Shields 208

Instructor: Jim Medina

Feeling intimidated by Excel? Let's make it easier. Begin to learn how to use Excel for personal and business use. We'll work on organizing a spreadsheet, simple functions, formulas, formatting, tricks, shortcuts, simple budgeting, charts made easy, and more. Your experience will grow as you work on projects that will get you more comfortable with Excel.



SPRING 2022 BIRDWATCHING WORKSHOP SERIES BIRDWATCHING 101

Classroom session – Thursday, February 24 / 7-9 p.m.

Field Trip – Saturday, February 26 / 8 a.m.-12 p.m.

\$25 each or \$80 for all four

This introductory workshop will teach you about the birds that can be observed around the Magic Valley. Instructors from the local Audubon Chapter will familiarize you with the tools of the trade — binoculars, field guides, scopes, and the best local places to watch birds. In the Thursday evening classroom session, you will be introduced to different kinds of birds. You will learn about the observation skills necessary to identify a bird by size and shape, color patterns, behavior, and habitat. Then on the following Saturday, we'll head to some local birding hotspots to practice what we learned in class. No prior birding experience required. Note: You will need to bring your own or borrowed binoculars to the classroom session and to the Saturday field trip. Classroom sessions take place in Shields 201. Take one or more or take them all!



UNDERSTANDING PHOTOGRAPHY: THE ART OF PAINTING WITH LIGHT

Dates: March 4 and 5

Days: Friday and Saturday

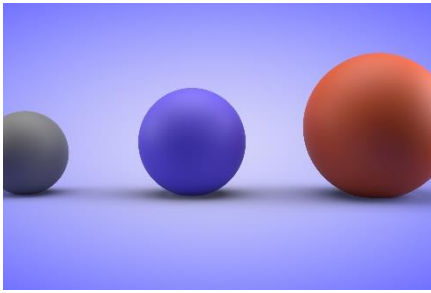
Time: Friday 6 – 9 p.m. and Saturday 9 – 4 p.m.

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! 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 and then explore the CSI campus applying what you've learned. Drew will cover portrait posing and basic lighting techniques, provide critiques of photos, 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. Bring a DSLR or mirrorless camera to class and a sack lunch for Saturday.



THE ROLL MODEL METHOD – NEW!

Dates: March 5

Days: Saturday

Time: 10 – 11:30 a.m.

Fee: \$47 (includes therapy balls)

Location: Gym 231A

Instructor: Amy Toft

The Roll Model Method is a system of releasing tight fascia and muscles in the body using two therapy balls. Rolling can occur on a mat on the floor, on a chair, or against a wall. Rolling can help relieve aches and pains, enhance breathing, increase mobility and energy, reduce stress, and improve posture and athletic performance. When do you want to roll? When you ache, before exercise, after exercise, when you want to relax, or when traveling. Instructor Amy Toft is certified in this method and will help you find ways to work with your own body. Workshop participants will receive a printed handout of rolling techniques and two therapy balls. This isn't yoga, it's self-massage that anyone with a body can do. Please bring a yoga mat if you have one.



GRANT WRITING 102: FINDING, WRITING, & WINNING THE FUNDING YOU NEED – NEW!

Dates: March 10

Days: Thursday

Time: 6-9 p.m.

Fee: \$80

Location: Shields 101 and 104

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.



ACRYLIC POUR PAINTING

Dates: March 12

Days: Saturday

Time: 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Instructor: Shane Brown

Fee: \$80

Location: Fine Arts Scene Shop

Have you always wanted to try your hand at painting? Acrylic pour painting is the latest artistic trend that requires no previous experience or training. Acrylic pour techniques allow anyone, at any skill level, to make beautiful, colorful, abstract paintings--an experience that is a wonderful creative outlet and a chance to spend a few hours relaxing. CSI Theater Instructor Shane Brown will teach and demonstrate a variety of techniques that can be easily and cheaply replicated at home. During the class, students will create three separate

acrylic pour paintings. Price of the class includes a set of acrylic paints and three canvases, which students will keep to continue acrylic pour painting at home. Brown received his training in painting techniques at the Ashland Center for Theater Arts at Southern Oregon university, and has decades of experience painting scenery to his instruction.



EXPLOSION BOX ALBUM

Date: March 24

Day: Thursday

Time: 6 - 8:30 p.m.

Fee: \$25 plus \$30 supply fee paid to instructor

Location: Shields 113

Instructor: Diane Gause

An Explosion Box Album is a mini album that can also double as a gift box. On the outside, it looks like an ordinary box, but once you lift the lid it reveals multiple layers that can each be

decorated the way you want them, with plenty of room left for a surprise gift to be hidden inside. Come and use your own imagination and creativity to design your own box.



SPRING 2022 BIRDWATCHING WORKSHOP SERIES - GREATER SAGE-GROUSE

Classroom session – Thursday, March 24 / 7 - 9 p.m.

Field Trip – Saturday, March 26 / 4 - 11 a.m.

Description: Greater Sage-Grouse are known for their unique and exciting display behaviors during the breeding season. In this workshop you will get to see male sage-grouse in action on a lek south of Twin Falls and learn about their habitat requirements,

behavior, diet, migration patterns, and conservation status. Note: You will need to bring your own or borrowed binoculars to the classroom session and to the Saturday field trip. Depending upon road conditions, only four-wheel drive or high clearance vehicles will be able to drive to the lek. See EARLY start time above! Classroom sessions take place in Shields 201. Take one or more or take them all! \$25 each or \$80 for all four.



HIP HOP DANCE

Dates: March 29 – May 17

Days: Tuesdays

Time: 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Instructor: Keesha Olander

Fee: \$90

Location: Gym 304

Have you ever wanted to learn some AWESOME hip hop moves but didn't want to sign up for a class with teenagers who have been dancing since they were three? Do you just want to have some fun with your friends (or new friends), listen to energizing music, and get some exercise while you do it? Then seriously, Hip Hop is the place to be! In this eight-week course, you'll be introduced to and explore the many different styles of hip/hop street dance. You'll learn an ongoing routine, so you will have a finished product to whip out at flash mobs, dinner parties, and family reunions. Each class will start with a warmup to keep you safe and to prepare your body for dance. This class is appropriate for adults and those 12 and up. Instructor Keesha Olander was a professional dancer and choreographer in Los Angeles for 16 years.



BEGINNING UKULELE

Dates: March 31-April 21

Days: Thursdays

Time: 6 – 8 p.m.

Location: Fine Arts 137

Instructor: Michael Frew

Fee: \$89

The ukulele, that lovable little four-stringed instrument, is everywhere in pop music today. From George Harrison to Train to Bruno Mars to Jason Mraz and Taylor Swift, we can't get enough! Get started with the ukulele by learning basic chords and strums at a pace designed for first-time players in a supportive small group setting. The uke is a popular choice for students who have never picked up an instrument before. You'll be surprised by how soon you're playing songs while picking up core musical skills. Learn simple chords, easy melodies, strum styles, ukulele history, and an assortment of great songs. No experience is necessary. Strum, play, and sing your way to your new favorite pastime. 'Uke' can do it - Bring your own ukulele to class and let's have some fun!



INTRO TO MICROSOFT POWERPOINT

Dates: March 31-April 21

Days: Thursdays

Time: 6 – 8 p.m.

Fee: \$80

Location: Shields 208

Instructor: Jim Medina

Learn how to create presentations that are quick and easy. You will get hands-on experience creating and editing presentations with pictures, bullets, and more as you make the presentations look nice. We'll use SmartArt, WordArt, charts, and tables plus animations and transitions. You'll come away with more confidence in your PowerPoint skills. A must have course for beginners.



HOW TO WIN AT VEGETABLE GARDENING

Dates: April 2

Days: Saturday

Time: 1-3 p.m.

Fee: \$30 + \$25/supplies paid to instructor

Location: Moss Greenhouses(269 S 300 E Jerome)

Instructor: Jennifer Moss

Idaho is unique, and so are your individual garden needs and spaces. Join Jennifer Moss as she guides you through how to succeed in the garden with your vegetables. She will walk you through soil amendment, proper placement, crop rotation and plant selection. Anyone can grow their own food, and why not have delicious produce from your own garden! Each person will also receive their choice of starter vegetables from the greenhouse and will get to play in the dirt a bit.



BEGINNING TENNIS

Dates: April 12-May 3

Days: Tuesdays

Time: 6-7 p.m.

Fee: \$89

Location: CSI Tennis Courts

Instructor: Mark Daily

Beginning Tennis is a fun way to learn this lifetime sport! It is designed for adults and youth age 15 and up who have little to no experience but who want to gain the confidence to play on their own. This class will help you develop fundamental tennis skills starting with proper grips, balance and movement. You will learn to hit forehands, backhands, volleys and serves with an emphasis on consistency, control and efficiency. You will learn proper stretching, tennis rules, etiquette, singles and doubles strategy and ways to improve your tennis fitness. Students will need to bring their own racket



RETIRE WITH CONFIDENCE: YOUR ROADMAP TO FINANCIAL FREEDOM

Dates: April 19-May 3

Days: Tuesdays

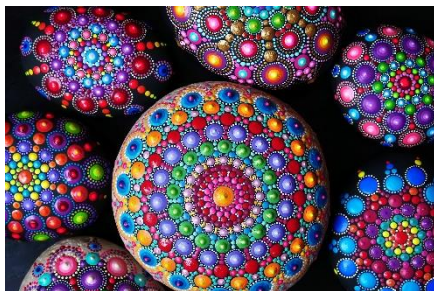
Time: 6 – 8:30 p.m.

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.



MANDALAS ON CANVAS

Date: April 20, 2022

Day: Wednesday

Time: 6 - 8:30 p.m.

Fee: \$25 plus \$25 supply fee paid to instructor

Location: Shields 113

Instructor: Diane Gause

Mandalas offer balancing visual elements, symbolizing unity and harmony. This craft can be very fun and relaxing. Come join us and learn how to make these snowflake mandalas on a small 5x5 canvas by dotting the paints in circular designs. You can be as creative as you like using different dotting tool sizes and colors of paint. Come away with a mandala you can display where you like.



SPRING 2022 BIRDWATCHING WORKSHOP SERIES -VERY BEGINNING BIRD PHOTOGRAPHY

Classroom Session – Thursday, April 21 / 7 - 9 p.m.

Field Trip – Saturday, April 23 / 8 - 12 p.m.

Description: Bird photography is not easy. In fact, it can be downright frustrating. Birds are fast and often give us just short glimpses as they flit about in shrubbery. And the closer you get, the higher the probability of the bird flying away. In this workshop you will learn how to improve your chances of getting good bird

photographs. You will learn about birding ethics, some birdwatching skills that will help you find the birds (where and when), tips about how to use your camera to get good shots, and how photography can improve your bird identification skills. Note: You will need to bring your own binoculars and camera to the classroom session and to the Saturday field trip. Classroom sessions take place in Shields 201. Take one or more or take them all! \$25 each or \$80 for all four.



CONTAINER GARDENING LIKE A PRO

Dates: April 23

Days: Saturday

Time: 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Fee: \$20 + \$20 & the plants you choose paid to instructor

Location: Moss Greenhouses (269 S 300 E Jerome)

Instructor: Jennifer Moss

Come learn from the experts as we teach you container planting

101 while giving you a sneak peek into how we make container magic here in our greenhouses! We will show you the tricks we use while you have fun designing your own container in class. We will make the mess at the greenhouse, which will allow you to have a full selection of plants to really get creative. Plus, you'll be getting guidance from the Moss team to help you succeed. Class will include a container and soil, and then you will get to select what you would like to put into the container. We will keep your creations for you in the greenhouses so they will have the best conditions for growth in the early spring, and then you can come and pick your babies up between May 14 and 22. Class will be limited to 20 people.



CONVERSATIONAL FRENCH

Dates: May 3 – June 28

Days: Tuesdays

Time: 6-8 p.m.

Instructor: Anne Sophie Plouy

Fee: \$140

Location: Shields 102

Are you planning a trip to a French-speaking country? Has it

been a long time since you took French in school and you want to brush up your skills in this beautiful language? Learning a new language is not only useful in travel, but opens up a new world of literature and human understanding. In this Conversational French class, you'll learn basic phrases and vocabulary and practice them with your other classmates. You'll be able to talk about yourselves, others, and your interests and even learn a little bit about the French culture (your instructor is French!). This class can be tailored to the wants of the individual class. Your only prerequisites are your willingness to laugh and have fun with the language.



DOG OBEDIENCE

Dates: May 10-26

Days: Tuesdays and Thursdays

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 40 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.



YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

Dates: May 17

Days: Tuesday

Time: 6 – 8 p.m.

Location: Shields 107

Instructor: Brian Scott

Fee: \$25

By learning the facts about Social Security filing options, you may find a way to optimize your income over the length of your retirement. In this course, you will learn the details behind Social Security including the history of the program, how your benefits are calculated, the viability of Social Security into the future and when and how to file for your benefits. You will be presented the education you need to decide how and when YOU should file for your Social Security benefits to give you confidence as you transition into retirement.



INTRO TO PICKLEBALL

Dates: May 17 – June 9

Days: Tuesdays and Thursdays

Time: 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Instructor: Judi Thietten

Fee: \$89

Location: Frontier Pickleball Courts

Come out and experience why Pickleball is the fastest growing sport in the country! There's a reason so many players get hooked– it's easy to start but hard to stop. Pickleball is a fun, social, and friendly sport that combines many elements of tennis, badminton, and ping-pong. The rules are simple and the game is easy for beginners to learn but can develop into a quick, fast-paced, competitive game for experienced players. Taught by USA Pickleball Ambassador/Certified Pickleball Coach Judi Thietten, this course will cover the basics of Pickleball rules, terminology, primary skills, coordination, introduction to the court, proper scoring, and more. There will be loaner paddles and balls available when you start.



TAKE A WALK THROUGH HISTORY PART III- NEW!

Dates: May 21

Days: Saturday

Time: 10:30 a.m. – Noon

Instructor: Samra Culum and Russ Tremayne

Fee: \$25

Location: TF City Park Bandshell

Homes are the heart of a community. Join us on a tour of some of the earliest residences built in Twin Falls. Find out why a well-known architect from New York designed the mile-square townsite on a 45-degree angle. This tour will give you insights about the charming historic residences around and near the downtown area.



SPRING 2022 BIRDWATCHING WORKSHOP SERIES

IDAHO'S ENDEMIC CASSIA CROSSBILL

Classroom Session – Thursday, May 26 / 7 - 9 p.m.

Field Trip – Saturday, May 28 / 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Description: Formally recognized as a species in 2017, the endemic Cassia Crossbill is America's newest bird species and found only in our very own South Hills! In this workshop you will get to see crossbills feeding on lodgepole pinecones in the

South Hills and learn about their remarkable evolutionary history, life history, distribution, conservation status, and threats to their very existence. Note: You will need to bring your own binoculars to the classroom session and binoculars and lunch to the Saturday field trip. Classroom sessions take place in Shields 201. Take one or more or take them all! \$25 each or \$80 for all four.