

LIFE-LONG LEARNING

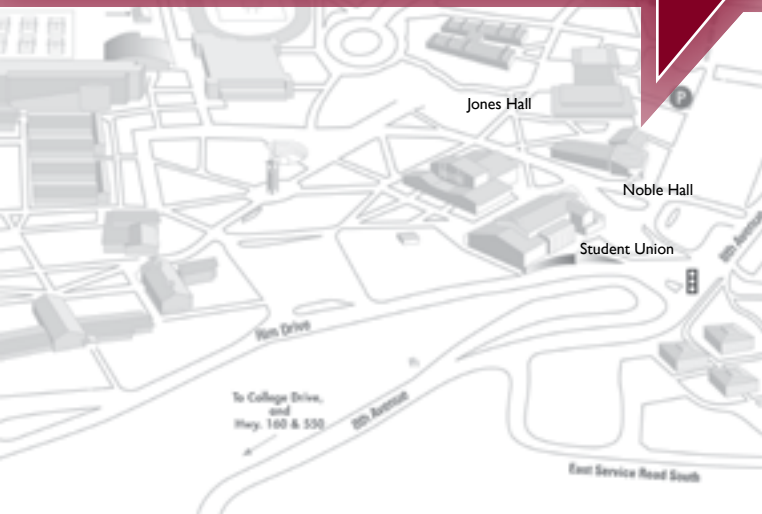
Cosponsored by the Office of the President and the Professional Associates of Fort Lewis College, the Life-Long Learning Lecture series aims to enrich the intellectual life of the College and the community by offering free presentations on a wide variety of subjects. The Thursday evening programs are open to all and run from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Please call the Office of the President at Fort Lewis College at (970) 247-7401 or visit www.fortlewis.edu/professionalassociates.

LOCATION

All lectures are held in Noble Hall Rm. 130, unless noted otherwise.



OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
1000 RIM DRIVE
DURANGO, CO 81301
970/247-7401
www.fortlewis.edu

NON-PROFIT
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
DURANGO, CO
PERMIT NO. 78



LIFE-LONG LEARNING
FREE LECTURE SERIES
FALL 2017

Illustration by Remond
Guest Lecture by Feb. 21 presentation by Dan Morgenstern



Life-Long Learning Series Fall 2017

All presentations are in Noble Hall, Rm. 130
from 7–8:30 p.m. unless noted otherwise.

September 14

CRISPR: TRANSFORMING BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH – OPPORTUNITIES AND DANGERS

CRISPR is a new technology that allows scientists to precisely edit the genome. It has the power to dramatically change our ability to cure disease. Lycan will explain how it works and applications which might cure malaria and muscular dystrophy.

Deborah E. Lycan, Director of Biochemistry/Molecular Biology Program, Lewis & Clark College, Portland, OR, and Visiting Professor of Biology, Fort Lewis College

*September 20 and 21 - 7 p.m., Durango Arts Center

TWO PRESIDENTS WHO TRANSFORMED THE WEST

Living history portrayals of Thomas Jefferson and Andrew Jackson, in cooperation with Colorado Humanities and American History Theatre, will be given by Steven Edenbo and Bob Gleason at DAC in Chautauqua-style presentations. Both scholar-actors have appeared around the country as their respective presidents. This collaboration continues a Durango tradition of bringing high-quality historical portraits to the community.

September 28

PROMOTING THE NATIONAL PARKS IN THE DEPRESSION ERA

During the 1930s, governmental agencies promoted a balance between use and preservation in our national parks partly by commissioning a series of WPA posters. Pillen will examine the design and aesthetics of the posters and explore different models of “seeing” or interacting with nature. A key question: how to reconcile recreational needs of constituents with the interests of preservationists?

Cory Pillen, Assistant Professor of Art History, Fort Lewis College

October 5

WHITE GUYS ON HORSEBACK: THE CONFEDERATE STATUE CONTROVERSY

The issues, images, and current debate. Repeal and replace? Remove or let stand? A little historical context and some unexpected options. Join the discussion.

Judith Reynolds, Herald Political Cartoonist

October 12

“ONE OF THESE DAYS, ALICE” - WHAT IS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND HOW IS IT TREATED?

Various types of domestic violence and descriptive vignettes of each will be discussed along with motives, effects on children, the cycle of violence, and the type of treatment approach that has worked most successfully with offenders.

Dolores T. Mazurkewicz, Retired Psychotherapist and Domestic Violence Treatment Provider

October 19

PLUNDERED SKULLS AND STOLEN SPIRITS

The controversy over repatriation has exploded in recent years as hundreds of US tribes have used a landmark federal law to recover looted heritage from more than 1,000 museums across America. How to balance Native American religious freedom with scientific and academic freedom? Does emptying museum shelves elevate human rights or destroy humanity’s common heritage?

Chip Colwell, Senior Curator of Anthropology, Department of Anthropology, Denver Museum of Nature and Science

October 26

CAN TECHNOLOGY SOLVE THE WORLD’S WATER AND SANITATION PROBLEMS?

Despite the United Nations formally recognizing safe water and sanitation as human rights in 2010, roughly 4 out of 10 people living in underdeveloped countries don’t have access to either. Non-profit organizations have created “appropriate” technologies for people in need. Are these interventions effective? What’s the role of technology in upholding the human right to water and sanitation?

Christie Chatterley, Assistant Professor of Engineering, Fort Lewis College

November 2

SANSKRIT: THE LANGUAGE OF INDIAN CIVILIZATION

As the classical language of the Indian sub-continent, Sanskrit spans time from the second millennium BCE up to the present and boasts a vast literature: religious, secular, and scientific. Its discovery in the 18th century by British colonialist jurists opened Western eyes to its connections to European languages as well as to the splendors of Indian civilization.

Bill Malandra, Former Professor of Sanskrit and Pre-Islamic Civilizations of India and Iran, University of Minnesota

*November 9 - 1 to 6 p.m., Student Union Ballroom FORT LEWIS COLLEGE SYMPOSIUM ON CLIMATE CHANGE

An afternoon of lectures and discussions will delve into the major global issue of increasing temperature caused by increased CO₂ in the atmosphere and the ensuing changes to our climate. Kevin Trenberth, Distinguished Senior Scientist at the National Center for Atmospheric Research, Boulder, will join FLC faculty members Ryan Haaland, Professor and Chair, Physics Department; Gary Gianniny, Professor and Chair, Geosciences Department; and Heidi Steltzer, Associate Professor of Biology.

November 16

AFTER DEATH – THEN WHAT?

Medical doctors, researchers, and psychics have noted the frequency of people reporting Near Death Experiences (NDEs), intimations of past lives and reincarnation. First-hand reports from different cultures have changed people’s lives. Are research findings and personal accounts credible?

Dennis Aronson, Retired Senior Instructional Designer, California Commission on Peace Officer Standards; Former Peace Corps Volunteer in Afghanistan, Saudi Arabia, and Lebanon; Former Professor, American University of Beirut and West Virginia College of Graduate Studies

November 23 - Thanksgiving Break

November 30

IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF THE INCA

The Inca Empire was the largest civilization in pre-Columbian America, perhaps the world’s largest in the early 16th century. During the years 1520 to 1571, the Incan population suffered a quick and dramatic decline of more than 98% due to the Spanish invasion and 40 years of strife. In 2016, Rottman realized a 40-year goal by walking the Inca Trail and finally “stumbling into Machu Picchu.”

Gary Rottman, Retired Scientist, Laboratory for Atmospheric and Space Physics, University of Colorado, Boulder