

Inquire

Spring 2018



The noblest pleasure is the joy of understanding.
~Leonardo da Vinci

THIS SEMESTER'S INQUIRE OFFERINGS...

ENERGY and OUR FUTURE

The world uses a lot of energy and is likely to need more. The decisions we make on how we generate, distribute, save, and use energy are going to have profound effects on how we live, where we live, what kind of work we do, what the future will be like. Vermont is a leader in finding ways toward a sustainable and affordable energy future. Nationally significant ideas are being tried out here. In this series we will listen to four Vermont experts in the field, each talking about a crucial aspect of our energy future. This will be a non-technical discussion; leave your slide rule at home! The ideas will be presented in terms everyone can understand and appreciate.

Wednesday March 7th at 2PM (Meeting Room)

ENERGY DISTRIBUTION WITH JOSH CASTONGUAY, CHIEF INNOVATION EXECUTIVE, GREEN MOUNTAIN POWER

Wednesday March 14th at 2PM (Meeting Room)

ENERGY SAVINGS WITH BOB MURPHY, MARKETING EVENT MANAGER, VERMONT ENERGY INVESTMENT CORPORATION (VEIC)

Wednesday March 21st at 2PM (Meeting Room)

ENERGY GENERATION WITH DAVID HILL, DIRECTOR DISTRIBUTED RESOURCES, VEIC

Wednesday March 28th at 2PM (Meeting Room)

ENERGY AND TRANSPORTATION WITH JENNIFER WALLACE-BRODEUR, DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION EFFICIENCY, VEIC

PLUS: two (OPTIONAL) tours of state-of-the-art energy efficient buildings! Limited space.

Friday April 6th, **tour of NRG Systems in Hinesburg. Depart at 9:30AM.**

Wednesday April 11th, **tour of Sun Common in Waterbury. Depart at 10AM.**

From Nijinsky to Now: Dance Influences

An interactive conversation with John Killacky

The Executive Director of the Flynn Center started out as a dancer, performing in Chicago, New York, and throughout Canada before transitioning into arts administration. Here he shares video clips of some of his dance influences and mentors. **Monday March 5th 7:30PM (MR)**



TELL ME ABOUT IT - MOTH STORYTELLING WORKSHOP

Thursdays March 8 - March 29, 2-3:30PM, Meeting Room.

What's your story? Take time out of your day to connect with others interested in fostering community through the age-old art of live storytelling. In this 4-week class, beginning students and seasoned raconteurs alike, will have the opportunity to learn and practice the art of live, first-person, Moth-style storytelling. Explore what makes a story good, learn how to structure, edit and perform your own story. Students will work with master storyteller Susanne Schmidt who will guide and support you to craft your raw material into a well-told story that can be shared, live at the Wake Robin "Story Slam" on the evening of **Wednesday April 4th!** **Cost \$25. Space is limited!**



Technology for Tomorrow Intergenerational Workshops



A new year, and new opportunity to keep your digital technology skills sharp and build new ones. Participants will be joined by the students from CVU High School utilizing Technology for Tomorrow (T4T) curriculum as they share their knowledge of a variety of technology topics. Bring your own device (laptop, tablet, smart phone) and your questions!

All classes are Sundays at 2PM in the Meeting Room

Feb. 25th **Intro to iPad** Learn how to properly use and operate your iPad.

March 4th **Downloading an App** Learn how to navigate App stores to download apps of your choice.

March 11th **Password Management** Important tools for how to keep your passwords and accounts secure and easily accessible.

March 18th **Intro to Skype and Facetime** You can video chat with family and friends all across the world on your phone, tablet, or laptop webcam!

March 25th **Intro to Twitter and Instagram** Explore how to properly use social media and the options these applications have to offer.

April 8th **Open Session** Bring your devices and any questions you have about technology!

Understanding the Judiciary

All sessions are in the Meeting Room at 7:30PM



Monday March 19th - Lisa Holmes, Assoc. Prof. Political Science, UVM
What Every Citizen Should Know about the American Judiciary

The American judiciary has far-ranging responsibilities in our political system, at both the federal and state levels. These responsibilities run the gamut from checking the powers of the other branches of government to resolving minor traffic offenses. The power and structure of the American judiciary is therefore a crucial component of the American political system.

Monday April 2nd - Dan Richardson, Attorney with Tarrant, Gillies, and Richardson
Retaining the Bones: Challenges for the Vermont Supreme Court in the 21st Century

Unlike the U.S. Supreme Court, the Vermont Supreme Court is an appellate court of right. That means the Justices in Vermont hear all types of cases and generate over five times as many decisions per year as their federal peers. Today's Supreme Court faces a variety of challenges from the opiate crisis to the need of quicker dispute resolution processes. This presentation will highlight recent history of the Court, recent challenges that the Court has faced, and some of the emerging problems that it faces in the next five years.

***Tuesday April 10th - John Hughes, Prof. Political Science, Saint Michael's College**
The U.S. Supreme Court 2017-2018 Term

We will discuss several cases currently before the U.S Supreme Court that potentially have long-term consequences for our politics. Topics might include cell phone tracking, non-discrimination laws and couples seeking same-sex marriages, legislative gerrymandering or whatever else might land on the Court's doorstep before the current term ends.



Spring Fever Day Trips are on the back cover...



SPRING FEVER DAY TRIPS

It's Spring! Let's travel to some beautiful and inspiring locations...

Puppets: World on a String

Storytelling and the visual arts collide in this exciting exhibition featuring multi-media works of art by local and national artists. **On Friday March 16th** take a trip to **Shelburne Museum** for a Gallery Talk and Q and A with curator Carolyn Bauer. Depart Wake Robin at 9:30AM.

Admission \$10 for non-members.



Montreal - Tuesday May 15th

Spend the day visiting the stunning **Botanical Gardens** followed by a visit to the **Montreal Museum of Fine Art**. End the day with travel to Mont-Saint-Gregoire, where we will experience dinner uniquely served in a **"Cabane a Sucre"**.

See registration form for cost and details!



Lincoln Peak Vineyard in Middlebury - Wednesday May 23rd

A tour and wine tasting at this local vineyard noted as *"one of the best wineries in Northern New England..."*

The trip includes dining al fresco on the grounds with a gourmet lunch made by Kate Hays.

\$26 per person. Depart Wake Robin at 10:00AM.



Tarrant, Gillies & Richardson



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