

EASTERN

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION: You do not need to book for any courses at COA Centre Woollahra.

COA CENTRE WOOLLAHRA

25 Rowe St
wheelchair access, Bondi Junction train and bus stops nearby

FRIDAYS AT COA CENTRE WOOLLAHRA

Every Friday from 28 July 10:30 to 12:00

A variety of presentations of general interest looking at topics relevant to people living in today's world
NO BOOKINGS are required.

Psychology

1. Living through impermanence or living for life

28 July

Stephen's presentation confronts the intrinsic impermanence of our lives, how commercial and lifestyle attractions distract from this reality, but how to live for life anyway.
Presenter: Stephen Hill

History

2. British India's critical role in the mighty British Empire

4 Aug

India was the bedrock of the powerful British Empire. Britain's economic might was largely dependent on India as the Empire stretched from Africa to Australia.
Presenter: Himanshu Jhala

Crime

3. Crime Stoppers

11 Aug

The talk will provide insight into how organised crime syndicates make money and how they launder it. It will include information on human trafficking, counterfeiting, cyber and environmental crime.
Presenter: Peter Price

Law

4. Eugenia Fallini

18 Aug

Mark Tedeschi will talk about his book on Eugenia Fallini
Presenter: Mark Tedeschi

History of Science and Technology

5. James Watt and Matthew Boulton: partners who changed the world

25 Aug

Boulton and Watt were men of ideas and action. They changed the steam engine, creating a machine that turned the wheels of industry.
Presenter: Debbie Rudder

Art

6. Claude Monet

1 Sep

Claude Monet is widely regarded as the founder of Impressionism and for his landscape scenes painted outdoors. We view his major works and learn about his life.
Presenter: Reinhard Ronnebeck

Art History

7. Exploring new/er art galleries-Australia and the world – Part I

8 Sep

Looking at the many Australian examples of private galleries – including the Museum of Old and New Art (Hobart) and White Rabbit (Sydney) and new galleries in Paris, London, Lisbon, Madrid, Berlin and the Middle East
Presenter: Ann Sutherland

Technology

8. Cyber scams target you!

15 Sept

Protect yourself from cyber-criminals and stay smart on-line.
Presenter: Nitza Lowenstein

History

9. Eora: The Dharawal clans of Port Jackson prior to 1788

22 Sep

The society and culture of the Dharawal clans.
Presenter: Gavin Crawford

Literature

10. Reading Kafka

29 Sep

'The Judgement' and 'Metamorphosis' were written in 1912, a time of revolutionary movements in all the arts; Picasso, Stravinsky and James Joyce.
Presenter: Margaret Stoljar

Art History

11. Exploring new/er art galleries-Australia and the world – Part II

6 Oct

Looking at the many Australian examples of private galleries – including the Museum of Old and New Art (Hobart) and White Rabbit (Sydney) and new galleries in Paris, London, Lisbon, Madrid, Berlin and the Middle East.
Presenter: Ann Sutherland

Religion

12. The History of the Torah

13 Oct

Rabbi Elton has been Chief Minister of the Great Synagogue since 2015. Rabbi Elton has an MA in History at Queen's College Cambridge and a PHD in Jewish History from Birbeck, University of London.
Presenter: Rabbi Dr Benjamin Elton

Current Affairs

13. The Refugee Council of Australia

20 Oct

A representative of the RCA will give a presentation on the objectives and work of the RCA.
Presenter: Rebecca Langton

History

14. Karl Marx

27 Oct

Karl Marx revisits the planet to remind us who he was and to observe how we in the 21st century have absorbed or rejected his teachings.

Presenter: Peter Nixon

History

15. Cuban Missile Crisis – Part I

3 Nov

The Cuban Missile Crisis was a confrontation in 1962. We look at this crisis when the USSR tried to install nuclear weapons in Cuba.

Presenter: Colin Smith

History

16. Cuban Missile Crisis – Part II

10 Nov

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Presenter: Colin Smith

History

17. A different China story

17 Nov

China in today's context has parallels in history; knowing this helps widen the range of scenarios beyond what is in the media: Joffre Balce gave us the first part of his talk on 24 February 2023.

Presenter: Joffre Balce

Health

18. An author's talk with Dr Norman Swan

24 Nov

Dr Norman Swan will talk about his books 'So you want to live younger longer?' and 'So you think you know what's good for you?'

Presenter: Dr Norman Swan

History

19. The famine in Ukraine 1931-33 – Part I & Part II

1 Dec (part 1) 8 Dec (part 2)

In Ukraine they called the famine of 1931-33 the Holodomor meaning extermination by hunger. More than 3.9 million Ukrainians died of hunger. What did Stalin do to create this huge disaster of human suffering?

Presenter: Colin Smith

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40-42 Arden St

On street parking, buses nearby

Discussion Group Movies

FILM DISCUSSION GROUP (max 20)

Alternate Tuesdays from 11 Jul 10:00 to 12:00

Share your opinion on acting, characters, plots, cinematography.

Leader and **Bookings:** Graham Blazey
gblazey@optusnet.com.au 9365 1961 and
Gail Filetti rgfil@bigpond.com 9349 5591

Discussion Group

CURRENT AFFAIRS DISCUSSION GROUP

Alternate Tuesdays from 4 Jul 10:00 to 12:00

Join us, if you are interested in the world around you, occasional debate and social interaction.

Leader Gwen Zeller 0404 781 162 gzeller@tpg.com.au

Bookings: Marise Segelov marisesegelov@gmail.com
9363 4023 or 0410 514 866

PADDINGTON: EJ WARD CENTRE

189 Underwood St (cnr George St) bus stop nearby

Language French

FRENCH CONVERSATION (Advanced) (max 20)

Every Thursday from 4 Aug 10:30 to 12:00

French language level: it is conversation, not a lesson.

To get the most out of this group, you need to be able to speak some French intelligibly and understand others who speak French more fluently.

Leader: Michelle Scheibmair 0414 978 917

Bookings: Paula Mackintosh pmackint1@yahoo.com
0425 074 488

PRIVATE HOMES

Book Group

ROSE BAY BOOK GROUP

First Wednesday of month from 5 Jul 2:00 to 4:00

Everyone gets to choose a book to discuss. We take turns to meet at each other's homes. New members welcome.

Leader and **Bookings:** Judy New 0414 686 844 or
9371 7250

Book Group

WOOLLAHRA BOOK GROUP

First Thursday of month from 6 Jul 2:00 to 4:00

Goodwin Village Apt 257, 238-290 Jersey Rd Woollahra.

Members suggest a book they have read on an interesting subject. Recently published books are avoided because they can be on long local libraries' reservation lists. New members are welcome.

Leader and **Bookings:** Janet Sculfer
janetsculfer@icloud.com 0427 870 817

Music Appreciation

DISCOVERING FINE MUSIC (Randwick)

Every second Monday from 3 Jul 2:00 to 4:00

We listen to compositions from the great masters, focusing on their lesser known works and composers who are often overlooked today. We also include Australian composers and performers. Group participation warmly welcomed as are new members.

Leader and **Bookings:** Julie Reid julievreid@gmail.com
0411 575 157

Book Group

NORTH BONDI BOOK GROUP (max 10)

Third Wednesday each month from 19 Jul 2:00 to 4:00

People come with suggestions of AUTHORS to read and discuss. Conversation pivots around what people have read of the author. At other times we pick a genre to read and discuss; thrillers, biography, history, science fiction. New members are very welcome.

Leader and **Bookings:** Liza Cohn liza.cohn@yahoo.com
9389 1336