

ECLECTICS – SPRING 2026

“What in the World is Eclectics?” you ask. It’s OLLI’s outstanding Distinguished Speakers Bureau.

Come and see for yourself how “eclectic” it is!

All classes are held in **Mackey Auditorium** on the following dates:

February 3, 10:15-11:45 a.m. – *Back by popular demand!*

Gustavo Arellano, Los Angeles Times journalist

“Gustavo Has Some Thoughts for You”



February 17, 10:15-11:45 a.m.

Ahmad Zara, Fullerton City Council, 5th District

“Local Civics and Community Engagement”



March 3, 10:15-11:45 a.m.

Don Schwartz, PhD, History Professor, CSU Long Beach

“Distorting History: Rewriting the Past to Control the Future”



March 3, Noon-2:00 p.m. – **Note Special Time**

Morteza Rahmatian, PhD, Associate Dean, Academic Program & Faculty Development, Mihaylo College, CSUF

“Iran and Why This Country is Going Backwards”



March 17, 10:15-11:45 a.m.

Anna Freeman, RN, PhD, Mayo Clinic; former volunteer, Doctors Without Borders/Medecins Sans Frontieres

“Providing Medical Care in Zones of Conflict, Epidemics, Disasters, and Medical Deserts”



April 7, 10:15-11:45 a.m.

Leeav Sofer, Founder of Urban Voices Project and the Mostly Kosher Klezmer band.

A double feature presentation featuring:

“Teaching Music in Homeless Shelters, Prisons and Community Clinics” and “The Joy of Klezmer Music”



April 21, 10:15-11:45 a.m. – *Back by popular demand!*

Jodi Balma, Professor of Political Science, Fullerton College

“What Do the Polls and Recent Elections Tell Us to Expect from the Midterms? Or Can They Tell Us Anything?”



May 5, 10:15-11:45 a.m.

Jeff Hittenberger, PhD, Professor Vanguard University

“Christianity, Yes; Christian Nationalism, No”

