U3A Brisbane



University of the Third Age Brisbane Inc.

Class Schedule Term 1 2025

Tuesday 28 January to Friday 4 April

Current as at: 22 December 2024

About U3A Brisbane Classes

Membership

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Class Enrolment Procedure

Members can enrol in a class in one of three ways:

- (a) Use <u>Class Search</u> on the website to find your class, then click the Enrol button to submit your enrolment application to the tutor.
- (b) If you were enrolled in a Term 4 class that you wish to continue attending in Term 1, use <u>Member Dashboard</u> on the website to re-enrol.
- (c) Contact the tutor directly. Please advise the tutor of your membership number. Tutors do not list their contact details here for privacy reasons, but you can contact them through Class Search on the website.

Term Dates

Term 1 starts on Tuesday 28 January 2025 and finishes on Friday 4 April 2025.

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C126 ADOBE PHOTOSHOP ELEMENTS - ADVANCED Face-to-face class

Tutor: Ben Lindeboom

This course carries on from Adobe Photoshop Elements Beginners to more advanced features in Photoshop Elements. Students must have completed the Beginners course in Photoshop Elements or have a good understanding of the basic Photoshop principles of layers, adjustment layers and masking panels, before enrolling in this course. The topics discussed in the advanced course are varied but are centered around the Photoshop Elements program. Course runs in conjunction with Zoom class C29.

Creek St, Monday 9:00am - 10:30am. Class starts 3 February. Cost: \$45 (prepaid).

E02 CURRENT EVENTS Face-to-face class

Tutor: Ian Fraser

A group discussion of current events, with a general objective of improving our understanding of them. U3A students bring a wide range of knowledge and life experiences to the discussions, so come and share your knowledge and opinions with others.

Adelaide St, Monday 9:00am - 10:30am. Class starts 3 February. Cost: \$45 (prepaid).

N14 THE SILVER SCREEN Face-to-face class

Tutor: Jim Henry

In Term 1 of 2025 The Silver Screen, we will continue to teach about the film industry and promote Cinema and TV appreciation. 2025 will be the 10th Year for the Silver Screen series at U3A, Adelaide Street, having had 233 sessions showing approximately 200 classic movies. For the first term of 2025 I intend to do something special and different: For only one term I will present: "Adventures of the Silver Screen" 50 years in the film industry, the Australian classic movies of the Australian film renaissance, some that I have been personally responsible for, the financing, casting and distribution.

Adelaide St, Monday 9:00am - 12:30pm. 8 weeks. Class starts 3 February. Cost: \$64 (prepaid).

B39 MEDICAL AND HEALTH Face-to-face class

Tutor: David Bartholomeusz

The facilitator is a retired medical practitioner and each week will discuss a general medical topic e.g. cancer in general, some specific cancers, arthritic conditions, blood pressure, heart attack, stroke and common endocrine disorders (hypothyroidism etc). Other topics can be discussed as nominated by class members. This is a general information class and individual medical advice cannot be given.

Adelaide St, Monday 9:30am - 10:45am. Class starts 3 February. Cost: \$45 (prepaid).

F64 CANASTA CARD GAME VARIATIONS Face-to-face class

Tutor: Alan Don

Canasta and its variations are popular social card games. This is an opportunity to polish up your playing skills in a friendly and supportive environment. Knowledge of Canasta is necessary. New members with Canasta knowledge are welcome. This is a double class so members have plenty of time to enjoy the game.

Creek St, Monday 9:30am - 12:30pm. Class starts 3 February. Cost: \$72 (prepaid).

J150 RUSSIAN - BEGINNERS Face-to-face class

Tutor: Vera Kochnieff

This is a beginners course for people who would like to study Russian: learn to speak with correct grammar and correct pronunciation, and learn to read and translate as the course progresses. Adelaide St, Monday 9:30am - 10:45am. Class starts 3 February. Cost: \$45 (prepaid).

J24 LATIN INTERMEDIATE Face-to-face class

Tutor: Paul York

Latin may well be the most important and influential language ever spoken or written by human beings. It has been in use for some 2800 years. It was first spoken by the ancient Romans around the 8th century BCE and first written by them a few centuries later. It was then in continual use throughout Europe as a lingua franca for scholars, merchants, the clergy, and the upper classes generally, right through to the Middle Ages and beyond. Latin is also notable for having spawned the modern European Romance languages, including French, Italian, Spanish and a number of others. Adelaide St, Monday 9:30am - 10:45am. Class starts 3 February. Cost: \$45 (prepaid).

L55 LITERATURE IN CONTEXT Face-to-face class Class Full

Tutor: Margaret Hill

In 2025 we will be studying the author Elif Shafak. We start the year with her novel 'The Island of Missing Trees' set in Cyprus and London. Penguin 2021. Then we move on to 'There are Rivers in the Sky' set in several places across the world. Penguin /Viking 2024.Of particular interest is the author's exploration of the interconnectivity of everything , eg: between action and outcome; past and present; context narrative and context.

Adelaide St, Monday 9:45am - 11:15am. Class starts 3 February. Cost: \$45 (prepaid).

K09 HOW TO WRITE A BIOGRAPHY Face-to-face class

Tutor: Yvonne Webb

This is not a family tree class. You may explore a friend, family or even yourself and it doesn't need to be a whole life. It may be about a specific time or activity. You will be helped in construction, content and to make it an interesting read. It can be a private document or ready for publication. Guidance will be provided. Book used: The Scholar Explorer by Yvonne Webb. Available from Boolarong Press or at class from the author \$30.

Adelaide St, Monday 10:00am - 11:00am. Class starts 3 February. Cost: \$45 (prepaid).

C120 ADOBE PHOTOSHOP ELEMENTS - BEGINNERS Face-to-face class

Tutor: Ben Lindeboom

Photoshop Elements allows you to edit and enhance your favourite photos. It can turn your electronic memories into visually captivating statements. It makes it easy to organise, enhance, copy, merge, enlarge and print your digital snapshots. You can create animated slideshows, compile inspiring photo books, merge multiple shots into captivating panoramas and learn much, much more. This "Beginners" course introduces the student to the basic concepts of Photoshop, teaches students how to use the many tools available and how to apply various corrections to digital memories.

Creek St, Monday 10:45am - 12:15pm. Class starts 3 February. Cost: \$45 (prepaid).

Y03 EARLY BUDDHA DHAMMA Face-to-face class

Tutor: Doug Phillips

What the Buddha taught: the original teachings of Gotama before they were changed into religions. N.B. Please call tutor before enrolling and leave a message with a contact phone number. Adelaide St, Monday 11:00am - 12:15pm. Class starts 3 February. Cost: \$45 (prepaid).

H20 THE HISTORY OF ROME FROM 753BC TO 1453AD Face-to-face class

Tutor: Patrick Johnson The History of Rome from 753BC to 1453AD Adelaide St, Monday 11:15am - 12:45pm. Class starts 3 February. Cost: \$45 (prepaid).

J35 RUSSIAN - ADVANCED Face-to-face class

Tutor: Vera Kochnieff

For those with a grounding in Russian grammar, featuring pronunciation, conversation, reading and translation.

Adelaide St, Monday 11:15am - 12:30pm. Class starts 3 February. Cost: \$45 (prepaid).

J106 FRENCH - READ A NOVEL (GROUP 1) Face-to-face class

Tutor: Robert Ward

The class is reading Richesse Oblige by Hannelore Cayre. Spanning two centuries, from Paris on the eve of the Franco-Prussian War to the modern day, this unforgettable family saga lays bare the persistent and poisonous injustice of inequality.

Adelaide St, Monday 11:15am - 12:30pm. Class starts 3 February. Cost: \$45 (prepaid).

B06 FOOD, HEALTH AND NUTRITION IN THE AGEING BODY Face-to-face class

Tutor: Yvonne Webb

This term, the various parts of the gut will be discussed in their role of good nutrition, the importance of a healthy gut and what happens to the food you eat. How to interpret the constant marketing messaging about foods available in the marketplace and the consequences of how the gut deals with the food you eat. Book used: For Goodness Sake, Let's Talk Sugar by Y Webb. Available from all the usual sources or from the author \$30.You might like to reference

https://yvonnewebb.ampbk.com

Adelaide St, Monday 11:30am - 1:00pm. Class starts 3 February. Cost: \$45 (prepaid).

H45 JAPAN IN A NUTSHELL - A SHORT COURSE IN HISTORY AND CULTURE Face-to-face class *NEW*

Tutor: Norm Boniface

An historical treatment of Japan since Jomon times up to today's modern society/ economy/environment with occasional comparison with developments in western societies. The course leader and guest speakers will cover some significant events and personalities that influenced the course of Japanese history. During formal presentations and discussions we will touch on texts, literature, arts (fine, performing and martial), and crafts of the evolving cultures through the various eras, of which there are many. Students will be encouraged to participate in free and open discussions in English.

Adelaide St, Monday 11:30am - 1:00pm. Class starts 3 February. Cost: \$45 (prepaid).

J64 ITALIAN CONVERSATION Face-to-face class

Tutor: Olga Colavitti

This is not an Italian lesson. There are no books, no formal grammar, but a class structured to give all participants an opportunity to practise the Italian they've already learnt.

Creek St, Monday 11:30am - 12:45pm. Class starts 3 February. Cost: \$45 (prepaid).

C20 ADOBE PHOTOSHOP CC AND LIGHTROOM Face-to-face class

Tutor: Ben Lindeboom

This course is aimed at those students who have acquired the full version of the ADOBE PHOTOSHOP CC AND LIGHTROOM subscription program and who would like to learn and understand the basic differences between Adobe Photoshop Elements, Photoshop CC and Lightroom CC. Topics discussed during this course are wide-ranging and include features not available in Photoshop Elements, features like Neural Filters, Sky Replacements, Linear and Radial Gradients, HDR, Focus Stacking, Channels, Curves, Masking, etc. Course runs in conjunction with Zoom Class C31.

Creek St, Monday 12:30pm - 2:00pm. Class starts 3 February. Cost: \$45 (prepaid).

A04 PERFUME...SCENTS AND SENSES Face-to-face class

Tutor: Viviane Tolliday

A perfume lover's introduction to the fascinating romantic joyous world of perfume. This 6 week course will cover the history of perfume, from ancient civilizations to modern day scent trends, perfume and memory, the five perfume categories, the fragrance wheel, and the A-Z of great perfumes. Famous perfume "noses" and dynasties will be examined as well as their creations and collaborations with famous glass houses such as Lalique & Baccarat. Tutor is a passionate collector of perfume and scent bottles and some will be shared with class. Previous course students may also enjoy this refresher class. Class participation welcome.

Adelaide St, Monday 12:45pm - 2:00pm. 6 weeks. Class starts 3 February. Cost: \$30 (prepaid).

F70 CARDS - 500 FOR BEGINNERS Face-to-face class

Tutor: Alan Don

Card game 500 for beginners and intermediate players, all welcome to learn. Friendly and helpful class. Please contact tutor to enrol.

Creek St, Monday 1:00pm - 2:45pm. Class starts 3 February. Cost: \$45 (prepaid).

F01 BRIDGE INTRODUCTION Face-to-face class

Tutor: Linda Neil

If you've never played Bridge before, this class is an introductory course so you can decide if Bridge is for you. It will explain basic card play and terminology and provide information about Bridge Clubs. It will answer questions such as: What are trumps? What is Duplicate Bridge? Are beginners welcome at Bridge Clubs? Where can I go for lessons? This introduction to Bridge is in Term 1 only and classes are 3rd Feb and 10th Feb.

Creek St, Monday 1:00pm - 2:30pm. 2 weeks. 3 and 10 Feb. Class starts 3 February. Cost: \$10 (prepaid).

CITY CAMPUS - TUESDAY

H24 HISTORY THROUGH THE AGES Face-to-face class Class Full

Tutor: Jim Moloney

This class covers the broad spectrum of history from Ancient Times to the present, sometimes with a broad brush and other times through minute by minute detail. The class has a "learning by doing" philosophy. Members are encouraged to contribute on history topics of their own choosing by researching the topic, then preparing their talk and presenting it to the class. Talks are typically an hour in length. Lively class discussion is strongly encouraged. Over the year, everyone has the chance to give a talk, if they so choose (it is not obligatory).

Adelaide St, Tuesday 9:00am - 10:15am. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

Y19 MATTERS ARISING Face-to-face class Class Full

Tutor: Garth Sherman

The group members will raise and discuss issues or events that occur in our society, economy, history, evolution, environment etc. Members may read a paper or other media to inform the issues raised in the class. Members contribute to the discussion from their own experience, values, knowledge and research.

Adelaide St, Tuesday 9:00am - 10:15am. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

A20 BUDDING ARTIST GROUP Face-to-face class Class Full

Tutor: Lesley Dalyell

This is a double class. We are a friendly group, concentrating on water colours. We learn together using various resources and access tutoring help from water colour artists when we can. As the class does not have a regular tutor in water colours, this class is not suitable for people who have never used water colours before. There is a suggested materials list available on request. Creek St, Tuesday 9:30am - 12:15pm. Cost: \$80 (prepaid).

K08 BASIC WRITING Face-to-face class

Tutor: Thomas Nelson

Is that great Australian novel lurking in your subconscious? Do you lie awake at night with thoughts racing through your mind? Have you forgotten how to write for fun? The basic writing course at U3A can help you answer these questions. The course covers the basics: plot, character development, dialogue and like the advertisements, much, much more. The course is run over two terms. We will write and discuss writing techniques. If you are ready for the challenge this course is for you. Adelaide St, Tuesday 9:30am - 10:45am. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

B101 MINDFULNESS AND METTA PRACTICE Face-to-face class

Tutor: Georgia Cummings

Meditation and metta/self-compassion in the mindfulness (Vipassana) tradition. This class includes discussion and lightly guided meditation and metta practice. Class topics will include spirituality and ageing, neuroscience and ageing, narrative gerontology (our stories) and will also include examining articles and the literature of Buddhist and other faith traditions.

Adelaide St, Tuesday 9:45am - 11:00am. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

U06 SPIRITUAL PSYCHOLOGY Face-to-face class

Tutor: Barbara Kiao

Spiritual Psychology delves into the intersection of spirituality and psychology, exploring how beliefs, values, and consciousness impact human behaviour and well-being. Integrating principles from various spiritual traditions with modern psychological theories, it seeks to foster self-awareness, inner growth, compassion, forgiveness and holistic healing. Through practices like compassion inquiry, mindfulness, meditation, and self-reflection, individuals learn to navigate life's challenges with greater resilience, compassion, and authenticity.

Adelaide St, Tuesday 9:45am - 11:00am. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

M03 POPULAR MUSIC SESSIONS Face-to-face class

Tutor: Peter O'Reilly

Our main goal is to enjoy music in the company of friends and others (it can magnify the benefits of listening and some might even be inclined to dance!). Secondly, it is an opportunity to explore and learn a little about popular music (not 'Pop' music). For our purposes we will start from 1955 when Frank Sinatra and Nelson Riddle's "In The Wee Small Hours" quietly introduced the 'Album Era', though we may reference earlier periods. In this term we will have four sessions experimenting to see how we might run a full program. Fortnightly 4th and 2nd Tue of the month. Adelaide St, Tuesday 10:30am - 12:00pm. Fortnightly. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

M16 SINGING FOR FUN Face-to-face class *NEW* Class Full

Tutor: Grace Lam

Have you always wanted to sing without making the commitment to a formal choir? Would you enjoy singing with others in a relaxed setting? 'Singing for Fun' is all about meeting other people who love to sing and have a good time. No experience is needed and no auditions are required. Music therapy has been scientifically proven to help with memory, cognitive function and lessen the impact of depression and anxiety. Sessions are facilitated by Grace who plays the ukulele and is accompanied by William on the harmonica. Song sheets will be emailed to members to print and bring to class. Come and join us . Everyone is welcome!

Adelaide St, Tuesday 10:45am - 12:00pm. Fortnightly, 4 Feb, 18 Feb, 4 Mar, 18 Mar, 1 Apr. Class starts 4 February. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

B52 SUCCESSFUL AGEING Face-to-face class *NEW*

Tutor: Christiana Chau

A group discussion that shares our knowledge, personal life experiences and opinions with others; of issues, or events with a general objective of understanding and promoting our health and wellbeing in facing life changes. We adopt a holistic approach in exploring the challenges as we age, based on scientific evidence-based findings and from different cultural perspectives - the Western and traditional Chinese philosophies.

Creek St, Tuesday 11:00am - 12:15pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

E31 DANGEROUS IDEAS TO CHALLENGE US Face-to-face class Class Full

Tutor: Garth Sherman

This group will discuss dangerous and creative ideas put forward by leading thinkers and culture creators of the 21st century. Will these ideas help or hinder science, economics, military, society, arts, philosophy, psychology, and sociological development? The group will watch or read about new/old ideas and pause to discuss and debate the points raised. (Dangerous? Maybe). Adelaide St, Tuesday 11:00am - 12:15pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

J66 INDONESIAN LANGUAGE FOR BEGINNERS Face-to-face class *NEW*

Tutor: David Truman

You've never studied Bahasa Indonesia, the language of our nearest large neigbour? For the first time, here is a class for beginners in Indonesian, offered in Brisbane CBD. David to provide notes electronically and by short handouts.

Adelaide St, Tuesday 11:15am - 12:30pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

L09 TIPS ON WRITING SHORT FICTION STORIES AND POEMS Face-to-face class

Tutor: Yvonne Pick

This class offers a general discussion on favourite authors and poets and offers tips to build confidence in writing. At the end of the morning, members will be given an optional writing topic for the following week, but they are welcome to bring something different they have written. Adelaide St, Tuesday 11:15am - 12:30pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

P04 PHOTOGRAPHY FROM BEGINNER TO ACCOMPLISHED PHOTOGRAPHER

Face-to-face class

Tutor: Richard Egglesfield

This comprehensive photography course is designed to take you on a transformative journey, from a photography beginner or enthusiast to a skilled and confident photographer capable of capturing stunning images across different genres. Whether you're a complete beginner with a smartphone, have a new DSLR camera or an intermediate photographer with a smart phone, DSLR/Mirrorless or even someone looking to buy a camera. The course is an excellent way to develop photography skills.

Adelaide St, Tuesday 11:15am - 12:45pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

S12 SCIENCE AND THE BIG ISSUES OF OUR TIME Face-to-face class

Tutor: Martin Gellender

Each week, the class will discuss the science behind the big issues facing Australians in the 21st century. Could Australia derive all its energy needs from renewable energy, and what would be the implications? Could humans colonise other planets? What are the implications if Australia adopts nuclear energy? Can food production be increased to meet rising demands of a growing world population? What are the key environmental challenges that will confront our grandchildren? The class runs in conjunction with Zoom class SO3.

Adelaide St, Tuesday 11:15am - 12:30pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

X76 THEATRE THROUGH THE AGES Face-to-face class

Tutor: Jane Lock

We have enjoyed the theatre of the Dark Ages, and have reached the 'golden age' of Elizabeth 1. We willi meet the young dramatists who worked with and inspired William Shakespeare. We will research the period to enhance our understanding of the plays. Each student needs to provide a copy of the set texts and will hopefully be ready to contribute short talks on relevant topics from time to time. We read the texts around the class so that everyone is involved as much as possible. It requires a bit of concentration but is great fun. We have lively discussions and watch appropriate video clips.

Creek St, Tuesday 11:15am - 12:30pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

H07 BRITISH HISTORY - CONTINUING CLASS Face-to-face class

Tutor: Judy Catts

Henry VIII has died and his three surviving children, Edward, Mary and Elizabeth - plus Lady Jane Grey - follow him to the throne. The 16th century is a time of considerable change in England with religious conflict causing considerable grief, both at home and abroad There is continued exploration and of course, Mary, Queen of Scots, the Spanish Armada and the Bard himself, William Shakespeare.

Adelaide St, Tuesday 11:30am - 12:45pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

J65 GERMAN FOR BEGINNERS Face-to-face class *NEW*

Tutor: Claudia McKay

You will learn the basics of German by mainly focusing on the practical use of the language in this easy-going class. Learn how to eg introduce yourself, order a meal or ask for directions. We will practise speaking, listening, reading, writing... with a dash of grammar and vocabulary! Adelaide St, Tuesday 11:30am - 12:45pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

X10 IRISH WOMEN CINEMA Face-to-face class

Tutor: Albert Moran

This course concentrates on Irish films. This is loosely understood as films made by women, about women, with women actors in leading roles. Very often progressive, these stories run the range from dramas where women are heroines as well as bystanders and even victims, activists as well as peacemakers. They can be happy, comic and even tragic. Some of the films will be routine but others will certainly turn out to be more interesting, feisty and progressive than might be expected. Creek St, Tuesday 12:00pm - 2:00pm. Cost: \$80 (prepaid).

M14 CLASSICAL MUSIC UNVEILED, A JOURNEY THROUGH GENRES AND ERAS Face-to-face class *NEW*

Tutor: Barbara Levien

Join us for an enlightening journey through the rich tapestry of classical music, spanning from the Renaissance to contemporary compositions. This course offers attendees an exploration of various genres, including Baroque, Classical, Romantic and the Modern eras. Through guided listening sessions engaging discussions and multimedia resources, participants will deepen their understanding of historical context, key composers and stylistic elements. By examining the evolution of musical forms and expressions, attendees will broaden their appreciation for classical music's influence on culture and society.

Adelaide St, Tuesday 12:30pm - 1:45pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

U11 PSYCHOLOGY: EXPLORING CONTEMPORARY TOPICS Face-to-face class

Tutor: Peter O'Reilly

This program touches on some important essential concepts, and identifies the topics and questions occupying members' minds and popular culture. These topics could include personal development, cognitive biases, topical personality issues (e.g. narcissism), depression, anxiety, the psychology of change and much more. The goal is to discuss some of the discipline's theories, frameworks and applications. Members will have an active role in shaping the course.

Adelaide St, Tuesday 12:30pm - 2:00pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

C08 GMAIL AND ANDROID PHONE/TABLET Face-to-face class

Tutor: Harry Gilman

The course covers Android OS fundamentals, including its functionality. Participants must have a Gmail account to access Google services. A brief introduction to Gmail features and settings is included. Security awareness for Android devices is emphasized to protect personal data. The Google Play Store will be explored, focusing on app and widget installation. The course introduces several Google apps: Google Keep for notetaking; Google Calendar for event management; Google Drive for file storage (without detailed usage instructions); Google Photos for image organization and editing; Google Maps for navigation.

Creek St, Tuesday 1:00pm - 2:30pm. 8 weeks. Cost: \$40 (prepaid).

J54 MANDARIN FOR BEGINNERS Face-to-face class *NEW*

Tutor: Fay Lee

This class is for beginners, using the text book Chinese Made Easy 1. Adelaide St, Tuesday 1:00pm - 2:15pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

P03 LEARN ON1 PHOTO RAW THE BEST POST PROCESSOR PROGRAM Face-to-face class *NEW*

Tutor: Richard Egglesfield

ON1 Photo RAW is a Photo Manager & non-destructive Photo Editor. The programme is dedicated to enhancing your photography and managing your photos. ON1 Photo Raw performs better than both Photoshop & Lightroom. It's cheaper as well; buy it outright. Course will give you the skills & knowledge to use ON1 Photo Raw to let you become the best photographer you can be. This in-depth U3A course on ON1 Photo RAW will teach you to master ON1 powerful features. The extensive Course Notes, Slides and Hands-on practice will let you understand how to manage & develop your photos to look just like the scene you saw when you captured your photo. Adelaide St, Tuesday 1:00pm - 2:30pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

X27 FURTHER AUSTRALIAN PUBLIC POLICY AND CONTEMPORARY ISSUES

Face-to-face class *NEW*

Tutor: Prue Brown

Note: to enrol you should have completed X09: Australian public policy and contemporary issues. In this course we will explore further public policy theories and how they can help us to understand contemporary issues in Australia that are of interest to the class. We will look at the very influential theory of institutionalism and its variants as well as theories of policy change such as the multiple streams framework and incrementalism.

Adelaide St, Tuesday 1:00pm - 2:15pm. 6 weeks. Class starts 4 February. Cost: \$30 (prepaid).

J40 LEARN CHINESE, EXPLORE CHINA EASY TRAVEL MANDARIN AND CULTURAL JOURNEY Face-to-face class *NEW*

Tutor: Nia (Lara) Xiao

Language is the gateway to understanding the world, and in this course, we invite you to embark on a journey of discovery. This fun and engaging course is designed specifically for seniors in Australia who want to learn simple Mandarin. You will gain essential conversational skills while exploring practical language lessons and fascinating aspects of Chinese culture, such as traditional festivals, mythical legends, and idioms. We look forward to sharing this enriching cultural experience with you, offering unique insights into China that may enhance your travels and deepen your connection with its rich heritage.

Adelaide St, Tuesday 1:15pm - 2:30pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

H18 RUSSIAN HISTORY, LITERATURE AND CULTURE Face-to-face class

Tutor: David Truman

2025 is the third year of a three-year course covering the entire sweep of Russian history. We begin at the Bolshevik Revolution and the avalanche of reforms making "the end of civilization as we knew it," including the attack on the church, and the struggle for power over the country's direction after the death of Lenin in 1924. We will cover also the collectivization of agriculture, the command economy, the Five Year Plans and forced industrialization, Stalin's purges, the Great Patriotic War, the cold war, the dissident movement, collapse of the Soviet Union and post-communist Russia. Adelaide St, Tuesday 1:30pm - 2:45pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

J85 ITALIAN - INTERMEDIATE Face-to-face class

Tutor: Jocelyn Giordano

The focus of this class is oral work and conversation. People who are familiar with Italian and have completed most of the verb tenses are expected to prepare short talks to present to class for discussion. Speaking in Italian occupies half of the weekly class time. Grammar, reading and viewing complement the oral work. Ongoing enrolment is dependent on frequency of attendance, completion of tasks and standard of Italian. **New students must phone the tutor before enrolment.**

Adelaide St, Tuesday 1:30pm - 2:45pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

CITY CAMPUS - WEDNESDAY

A42 PENCIL DRAWING Face-to-face class

Tutor: Javad Kazemi Khezri

In this friendly group we practise pencil drawing skills. It is not a structured class but Javad will move around the class giving advice. Please bring your own sketch pads and pencils. Creek St, Wednesday 9:00am - 11:45am. Cost: \$80 (prepaid).

A08 ART OF ORIGAMI Face-to-face class

Tutor: Lynette Duffy

Wednesday & Friday course content are identical. This is a hands-on class. Each term you will begin crafting simple pieces, then as your skills develop, progress to more detailed models. Origami develops patience; respect for yourself and the delicate paper; enhances hand-eye co-ordination; tactile/fine motor skills; space/volume awareness; focus/concentration and engages the left and right hemispheres of your brain. This class is suitable for members beginning their origami journey and for those who want to grow their skills to continue each term. Please read the supplementary information for further important details.

Adelaide St, Wednesday 9:00am - 10:30am. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

C32 MAKE YOUR PC BETTER SUITED TO YOU Face-to-face class

Tutor: Sue Robb

Learn how to identify what is not necessary on your PC and remove these items. Get suggestions about what you could add to help you do whatever is important to you and how to get them. Protect yourself from viruses and scammers and other nasties. Find out how to get information safely. And finally, find out how to get free, or near free programs that suit you. Organize your mail, set up rules. Sync your computer with your phone and your iPad or tablet. And most important of all probably, learn how to set up a password protector. Learn to set up security, backups, cleanups on a schedule.

Creek St, Wednesday 9:00am - 10:30am. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

H14 HISTORY Face-to-face class

Tutor: Sheila Leary

Class members choose their own topic of history that is of interest to them. The focus of that topic is immersion in the research, which can lead in all directions, using critical thinking. We are non-judgmental, you can give a straight talk, encouragement is given to deliver a PowerPoint presentation if you so wish. With two talks each week, the topics are very diverse, not all serious, some humorous, expanding our knowledge, thinking and also giving cause for discussion. Our friendly class is welcoming and like most U3A classes we enjoy coffee afterwards with much lively discussion.

Adelaide St, Wednesday 9:00am - 10:45am. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

J75 GERMAN - ADVANCED CLASS 1 Face-to-face class

Tutor: Linda Mains

This class is for those who can already speak, read and write German at an intermediate/advanced level. The aim is to practise and develop speaking, listening, reading and writing skills in everyday German at this level (B1, B2, C1). The class will study lessons and articles from Deutsche Welle: <u>https://learngerman.dw.com/de/alltagsdeutsch/s-56744441</u>

Be prepared for class interaction, participation and regular class presentations at this level of German. Please email the tutor and include your phone number. The class continues from the previous term, but there may be places for new students.

Creek St, Wednesday 9:15am - 10:30am. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

E16 POLITICS AND THE ECONOMY - HOPES AND FEARS Face-to-face class

Tutor: Bruce Holdsworth

Amid fears and problems, our friendly group seeks hope and solutions. We use basic economics to consider topics including the worsening Climate and Environment; Democracy in danger: Money Politics and growing Inequality here and in US,UK,etc; Economic Developments (inflation, recession, financial crises, austerity, etc) and Technology (AI) and Education strains; Conflicts: Israel/Gaza/Lebanon; the USA and its allies vs China, Russia, Iran; Ukraine War; BRICS; Nationalism vs Globalisation; plus COVID and its impacts; and Social Divisions (rich vs rest, women's position, authoritarianism vs dissent, media bias, racism and bigotry). Adelaide St, Wednesday 9:30am - 11:00am. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

J37 SPANISH - ADVANCED CONVERSATION Face-to-face class

Tutor: Virginia Torres Guarneros

Improve your listening and comprehension through a series of movies and songs to help perfect speech and pronunciation of this beautiful language. We will work together and by conversing you will improve your language skills.

Adelaide St, Wednesday 9:30am - 10:45am. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

J09 ARABIC POST ELEMENTARY Face-to-face class

Tutor: Michael Otago

This is a continuing class which has been operating since Term 1 2022. Class members are now familiar with the letters of the Arabic alphabet and their sounds, with the conjugation of some classes of regular verbs, and are able to read, translate and construct straightforward phrases and sentences in both Modern Standard Arabic (the formal language in which Arabic is written) and the Egyptian dialect of spoken Arabic. We continue to build on this base in 2025 Adelaide St, Wednesday 9:30am - 10:45am. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

M15 GUITAR LESSONS FOR BEGINNERS Face-to-face class *NEW*

Tutor: Jeffrey Owen

Beginners guitar tuition and theory, covering some initial sight reading, chords and theory. Students will need their own guitar for the sessions. With casual, no pressure learning, by the end of the course, and with plenty of practice, students should be able to play and sight read some simple melodies and strum some well known songs.

Adelaide St, Wednesday 9:30am - 11:00am. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

J34 SPANISH FOR BEGINNERS Face-to-face class Class Full

Tutor: Maria Rosa Gallego

This is a new beginners course for people who would like to learn Spanish and enjoy learning this beautiful and popular language. The emphasis of the course will be basic grammar, vocabulary and pronunciation.

Adelaide St, Wednesday 10:00am - 11:15am. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

J63 RUSSIAN LANGUAGE FOR BEGINNERS Face-to-face class *NEW*

Tutor: Vera Kochnieff

This is a course for absolute beginners with no experience of the language. It will focus on pronunciation and practising very simple sentences over the term. Keep the brain active by learning to speak a new language in a small but friendly environment.

Adelaide St, Wednesday 10:00am - 11:15am. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

C33 OPTIMIZE YOUR OWN LIFE Face-to-face class

Tutor: Sue Robb

To live a long and happy life you need to know a lot, but there is so much conflicting information on the internet, also from your family, friends and even doctors. Learn how to find out the best information for YOU. We will cover nutrition, exercise, medical matters, brain training, dementia prevention, intellectual pursuits, sleep. We also talk about the loneliness that can accompany aging, friends and family dying, children and grandchildren busy with their own lives, new physical constraints.

Creek St, Wednesday 10:45am - 12:15pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

H31 100 WONDERS OF THE WORLD Face-to-face class

Tutor: Laurence Salmon

This course will cover various areas of cultures from around the world. It covers the wonders of ancient worlds and what they created and put in place to grow their communities and nations. The course covers: the Ice Age, Egyptian, Asian Middle East, Latin American and European cultures. At the same time it covers both Greek and Roman events that allowed a pathway for growth into today. The course also covers monuments and buildings explored by Laurence and his wife over 40 years of travel.

Adelaide St, Wednesday 10:45am - 12:00pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

E07 CLIMATE READINGS Face-to-face class

Tutor: Gerry Van Klinken

The climate crisis needs a public debate that goes beyond technical questions to deeper ones about our relations with the natural world. Concerned Australians yearn for public discussion that is well-informed, democratic, and above all meaningful to them as human beings. This course is designed to introduce a wide range of critical and positive ideas to help them. Its "Climate Readings" are drawn from an international field known as environmental humanities. Adelaide St, Wednesday 11:00am - 12:15pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

J25 ITALIAN - INTERMEDIATE Face-to-face class

Tutor: Barbara Steiner

This is an intermediate to advanced level class. We will be going through all aspects of the Italian language: pronunciation, grammar, listening, speaking, writing and reading in accordance with the class requirements and expectations. This course is designed for students who can already communicate effectively in Italian and have studied the basics of Italian grammar. It is necessary to have access to a computer as homework is sent via email.

Adelaide St, Wednesday 11:00am - 12:30pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

X08 EXPERIENCING CHINA Face-to-face class

Tutor: Bryan Iles

The course provides the opportunity to study various aspects of China, including special topics such as Chinese New Year, its legend, its importance and impact on China. Other topics include study of the social and political structure of China, including the four forms of local government. Within each local government region time is spent looking at the geography, location, economy and any other important features. Topics include infrastructure development: roads, railways, fast speed train network, airports and water resources. Living standards and lifestyle changes are discussed, with a particular emphasis on their rapid change.

Adelaide St, Wednesday 11:00am - 12:30pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

J109 FRENCH - BASIC TRAVELLERS' CONVERSATION - BEGINNERS (CONTINUING) Face-to-face class

Tutor: Dominic Vu

This one-year course, for mid-beginners, is a study of the French language and French-speaking cultures, with continued emphasis on the development of communicative skills and basic structures. The course combines in-class instruction and practice with self-paced study at home as guided by the tutor. Textbook: "Communication Progressive du Francais", niveau debutant, 2e edition. Adelaide St, Wednesday 11:15am - 12:30pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

E08 ARAB-ISRAELI DISPUTE - BACKGROUND Face-to-face class

Tutor: Coral Johnson

Israel/Palestine is in the news - again. What is the problem? Why is it so difficult to resolve? Where there is a mixture of religion, politics and strategic location, there's bound to be conflict and controversy. With the media limited to brief sound bites, emotive images and lack of context, this two-term course presents factors often overlooked. A PowerPoint presentation includes maps, documents and basic facts. Participants are encouraged to raise questions and join in discussions. Creek St, Wednesday 11:30am - 12:45pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

J97 JAPANESE - ELEMENTARY Face-to-face class Class Full

Tutor: Jacqueline Fernandes

Members in this class have completed basic Japanese language study. This class will continue to develop listening and conversational skills. More advanced reading and writing components are included to enable structure of sentences. Basic Kanji have been covered and new Kanji will be introduced along with more advanced grammar.

Creek St, Wednesday 11:30am - 12:45pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

J03 ARABIC FOR BEGINNERS Face-to-face class

Tutor: Michael Otago

This is a continuing class which commenced in January 2024. Since then, class members have become increasingly familiar with the Arabic alphabet and have developed the ability to read and speak simple words and phrases in Modern Standard Arabic and Egyptian Arabic. New students will benefit most from the class if they already have reasonable knowledge of the Arabic alphabet including the sounds of the letters. U3A members considering joining the class are encouraged to contact Michael via the U3A website.

Adelaide St, Wednesday 11:30am - 12:45pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

M12 FAMOUS OPERAS Face-to-face class

Tutor: John Drew

If you love opera and want to understand the story line better, then this class is for you. Each week we will discuss and watch a famous opera from the 19th Century. This will cover the characters and the story of the opera but not the musical structure of the opera.

Adelaide St, Wednesday 11:30am - 12:45pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

B49 COOKING TO A BUDGET FOR ONE OR TWO Face-to-face class

Tutor: Sue Robb

Cooking to a budget for one or two with no shortcuts, great taste, and fast to prepare. I've been teaching this for a while now in Mt Tamborine, and this keeps growing in popularity. Bread, soups, stir fries, take a bunch of ingredients and turn them into a Greek, Italian, French, Asian or Australian wonderful meal.

Creek St, Wednesday 12:30pm - 2:00pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

M09 RECORDER CLASS FOR NEW PLAYERS Face-to-face class

Tutor: Marion MacLaughlin

This is a beginner class for anyone who would like to play a recorder. You will need to have your own recorder and also to purchase a Tutor book.

Creek St, Wednesday 12:30pm - 1:30pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

H51 HISTORY - LIVING IN 15TH CENTURY ENGLAND Face-to-face class

Tutor: Maureen Lillie

This is a fascinating century between the huge population loss caused by the Black Death and the discovery of the New World. There were changes to everyday life; the Wars of the Roses changed the ruling dynasty in England and new technology allowed ideas on science and religion to spread. Recent finds are causing a re-examination of the period and our ideas about it. Classes cover a wide range of subjects, both serious and light-hearted. Each class is self-contained, but over the year we will build a broad picture offering insights into life in those times. We will have some discussion at the end of each class.

Adelaide St, Wednesday 12:45pm - 1:45pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

E14 AUSTRALIAN POLITICAL INSTITUTIONS Face-to-face class

Tutor: John Drew

In this course the enduring institutions of the Australian political system are considered with reference to the national government, the Queensland government and the Brisbane City Council. Using the American textbook "Political institutions in the USA" comparisons will be drawn with a republican system of government. John Drew is a political science and an economics graduate of the University of Queensland.

Adelaide St, Wednesday 1:00pm - 2:15pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

J07 FRENCH - FUNDAMENTAL, INTRODUCTORY Face-to-face class

Tutor: Coral Johnson

This is a four-term (one year) course based on the "BBC Talk French - Complete Course" with supplementary resources. Emphasis is on pronunciation, comprehension, fluency, and having fun. Enjoy learning to speak and read the beautiful French language while learning some history in the process.

Creek St, Wednesday 1:00pm - 2:15pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

J179 FRENCH - CONVERSATION FOR ADVANCED BEGINNERS (CONTINUING)

Face-to-face class

Tutor: Dominic Vu

This class continues the study of the French language and French-speaking cultures, with strong emphasis on the development of communication skills and basic structures. The course combines in-class instruction and practice with self-paced study at home as guided by the tutor. Textbook: "Communication Progressive du Francais", niveau intermediaire, 2e edition. Term 1 will cover lessons 25 to 29.

Adelaide St, Wednesday 1:00pm - 2:15pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

X13 THE ELECTRIC CAR, COMING, READY OR NOT Face-to-face class

Tutor: John Murray

With growing interest in electric vehicles, this course looks at the pragmatics of ownership, basic understandings and the technical and social contexts that have brought the electric car to popularity. It is now provided over 6 sessions namely: Wk1 The Electric Car: not a caterpillar with wings. Wk2 The Electric Car: common concerns. Wk3 The Electric Car: why now? Wk4 The Electric Car: clean and green or dirty and mean? Wk5 The Electric Car: Myth-information. Wk6 Alternating Currents: the rise and fall and rise again of the electric car.

Adelaide St, Wednesday 1:00pm - 2:30pm. 6 weeks. Cost: \$30 (prepaid).

CITY CAMPUS - THURSDAY

P22 EXPLORING BRISBANE THROUGH DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY Face-to-face class

Tutor: Chris Deeming

We are a fun, hands on social group exploring Brisbane through Digital Photography and all that the digital age has to offer. Bring along whatever camera you have or smart phone as we are non-technical and non-competitive. We rotate between on campus 5 weeks per term, 5 weeks off campus looking at sights and galleries of Brisbane. We will take you to sights you have never seen before. I use Cluster photo sharing Site to display our photos which we put up in room 16. We finish off the day with coffee somewhere. REMEMBER we are OFF Campus 5 weeks per term so you may not have time to get back to another class.

Adelaide St, Thursday 9:00am - 10:45am. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

F20 SCRABBLE - DOUBLE CLASS Face-to-face class

Tutor: Edna Winkel

Come and have fun with Scrabble. Exercise your brain with our happy Scrabble group. This is a double session to allow ample time for several games. PLEASE RING AFTER 6 PM to enrol. Creek St, Thursday 9:15am - 12:15pm. Cost: \$80 (prepaid).

E18 AUSTRALIA'S FUTURE: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES Face-to-face class

Tutor: David Nelson

Australia faces an uncertain future in a world of increasing geopolitical tensions, global warming, extreme weather events, increasing income and wealth inequality, a housing crisis, falling real wages, low productivity, and declining educational standards. Health, hospitals, schools, social housing, the NDIS, domestic violence, mental health, aged and childcare, the unemployed, and defence, all require more government support. Australia as a wealthy country can address these challenges but governments seem incapable of reforming the taxation system to fund the services required.

Adelaide St, Thursday 9:30am - 10:45am. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

H39 THE BATTLE FOR AUSTRALIA 1942 - 43 Face-to-face class

Tutor: Derek Cameron

This unit offers an analysis of the causes, course and consequences of the Kokoda Track campaign, including an evaluation of the controversies about personalities, strategy and tactics surrounding it. Its significance for later history and indeed whether or not we should talk of a "Battle for Australia" will also be explored. The course includes numerous exercises based on the sources and links to further information. By comparison with other campaigns in World War Two (such as the awesome armies involved in the titanic struggles in Russia), the opposing forces on the Kokoda Track were miniscule.

Creek St, Thursday 9:30am - 10:45am. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

J56 AUSLAN FOR SENIORS - BEGINNERS Face-to-face class

Tutor: Linda Daniel

If you come with a friend you can practise together, however it is not essential. This class commences with the Deaf Services Introduction book and then moves on to The Auslan Company USB 1. There is no need to buy the book. We do talk in class so you understand. Be prepared for a little bit of homework. You need to practice throughout the week as it is just like learning another language but easier because you are just putting actions to words. We play a game and have fun! If you can't sing now - you'll be able to in Auslan by Intermediate class! Adelaide St, Thursday 9:30am - 10:45am. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

J05 SPANISH FOR BEGINNERS Face-to-face class Class Full

Tutor: Maria Rosa Gallego

This course is for beginners or near beginners. Enjoy learning Spanish in a fun and simple way. The emphasis will be on speaking and listening, basic grammar, vocabulary and simple conversation. You will have fun knowing its peculiarities.

Adelaide St, Thursday 9:45am - 11:00am. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

J47 FRENCH - CONTINUING 2 Face-to-face class

Tutor: Coral Johnson

A basic level of French is required for this course which aims to improve pronunciation and grammar, extend vocabulary, and develop reading and writing skills. Emphasis is on pronunciation, comprehension, fluency, and having fun. Our text is "Read and Think French", a McGraw Hill Publication.

Adelaide St, Thursday 10:00am - 11:15am. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

J98 FRENCH ADVANCED CONVERSATION Face-to-face class

Tutor: Michele Soulard

Advanced conversation based on a variety of issues and subjects presented in French articles, including songs and poetry. The topics, chosen by the students, are emailed in advance to allow preparation. Students need to be able to express themselves in French without much assistance. This is a very lively and friendly class!

Adelaide St, Thursday 10:00am - 11:30am. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

E06 MIND STIRRERS Face-to-face class

Tutor: Pat Dickson

Each week there is a discussion of a single topic gleaned from a broad range of topics, issues, or events. Members are encouraged to suggest topics of interest. We meet up at a nearby cafe after class for coffee/lunch.Tutor has opened a waitlist.

Adelaide St, Thursday 11:00am - 12:30pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

J70 JAPANESE FOR BEGINNERS Face-to-face class *NEW* Class Full

Tutor: Georgina McConnel

This is a new beginner's course for those people who would like to learn Hiragana and learn some conversational skills which could prove useful when travelling to Japan. The emphasis will be on pronunciation and recognising, reading and writing Hiragana. Creek St, Thursday 11:00am - 12:15pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

J61 AUSLAN FOR SENIORS - INTERMEDIATE Face-to-face class

Tutor: Linda Daniel

Auslan Intermediate lessons will for those who have completed the beginners' class or have previous knowledge. If you have previous knowledge and feel that you would be more suited to this class, please contact me in the first instance to confirm that this is the best for you. Currently there are 5 ascending from the beginners so there are five vacancies. This is where you learn to sing in Auslan! The anthem, carols, and a couple of others and a medical section. By now, you'll be telling the class what you did last week! You can express yourself like never before as Auslan gives so much more!

Adelaide St, Thursday 11:00am - 12:15pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

S20 PLASTICS: OUR FRIEND OR ENEMY? Face-to-face class *NEW*

Tutor: Graeme George

The way that plastics are used and discarded has always been of concern but lately the problems of ocean pollution and the prevalence of microplastics have received close attention. If we are to understand these issues it is valuable to know the composition and properties of the different plastics that are used for good, as well as those that end up as pollution, since this provides a guide to how societal problems may be addressed in a balanced way. No prerequisite knowledge of chemistry or polymers is needed, and concepts will be introduced within an intuitive framework. Adelaide St, Thursday 11:00am - 12:15pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

H41 THE BURMA RAILWAY Face-to-face class

Tutor: Derek Cameron

This course will detail the circumstances in which Australians came to be prisoners of war of the Japanese from 1942-1945; the conditions faced in "official" POW camps such as Changi; the use of POWs as forced labourers for the construction of the Burma-Thailand Railway and the details involved in that activity; the incidence of death and illness brought about as a result; the role of outstanding personalities such as "Weary" Dunlop in sustaining the captives; and the release and rehabilitation of the prisoners at war's end.

Creek St, Thursday 11:30am - 12:45pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

J57 BASIC ENGLISH FOR SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES Face-to-face class

Tutor: Tove Vine

Do you wish to improve your English listening, speaking, reading and writing? Then this class is for you. Learn to construct everyday English sentences which will be useful in your daily life. Enjoy spending time with tutor Tove in a fun, happy and friendly environment and feel a sense of achievement by improving your conversational skills. Please contact Tove for more information. Adelaide St, Thursday 11:30am - 12:45pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

J08 FRENCH - CONTINUING 1 Face-to-face class

Tutor: Coral Johnson

A basic level of French is required for this course which aims to improve pronunciation and grammar, extend vocabulary, and develop reading and writing skills. Emphasis is on pronunciation, comprehension, fluency, and having fun. Our text is "50 French Coffee Breaks". Adelaide St, Thursday 11:45am - 1:00pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

N02 FILM STORYTELLING KEN LOACH'S SOCIAL CONSCIOUSNESS Face-to-face class

Tutor: Albert Moran

Who is Loach? Why does he matter? For more than 60 years, British filmmaker Ken Loach has championed the downtrodden, the underclass, victims of systems that reproduce power and privilege. His stories should be more depressing than they are because he refuses to give in to despair, constantly finding sources of hope and even uplift. His films are alive with struggle and optimism about what people - whether alone or together - can do and have done. Beginning in the 1960s with kitchen-sink BBC TV drama, we will follow the uplifting, socially charged cinema of this great, but often neglected critic, of how things are or might be.

Creek St, Thursday 12:00pm - 2:00pm. Cost: \$80 (prepaid).

K03 MEMOIR WRITING Face-to-face class

Tutor: Tove Vine

Do you wish to leave a legacy for your children, grandchildren and/or great-grandchildren by writing a memoir? Leave footprints for the future generation. You can join Tove and other students in a memoir writing class. This is a fun and emotional (happy) class when we write and share our life stories and put pen to paper to make a lasting record of our lives.

Adelaide St, Thursday 1:00pm - 2:30pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

L33 POETRY APPRECIATION Face-to-face class

Tutor: Coral Johnson

This class encourages those attending to share favourite poems, become acquainted with unfamiliar poets and their work, and develop a greater appreciation for the beauty of the English language and its power to express thoughts and feelings. While attention is given to poetic techniques, the emphasis is on appreciation and enjoyment.

Adelaide St, Thursday 1:00pm - 2:15pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

X06 DISCOVERING ART DECO Face-to-face class

Tutor: Jocelyn Giordano

This is a semester unit looking in broad terms at what is meant by Art Deco. Started in the 20th century, it is an international style that can be applied not only to architecture but to many aspects of design, including cinemas, furniture, fashion, jewellery and household appliances. The course will cover examples of Art Deco in its various forms from overseas countries and those found in Australia and in Brisbane. The objective of the course is for participants to understand the background of the Art Deco style and to recognise Art Deco features in architecture and design. Adelaide St, Thursday 1:30pm - 2:30pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

CITY CAMPUS - FRIDAY

A07 ART OF ORIGAMI Face-to-face class *NEW*

Tutor: Lynette Duffy

Wednesday & Friday course content are identical. This is a hands-on class. Each term you will begin crafting simple pieces, then as your skills develop, progress to more detailed models. Origami develops patience; respect for yourself and the delicate paper; enhances hand-eye co-ordination; tactile/fine motor skills; space/volume awareness; focus/concentration and engages the left and right hemispheres of your brain. This class is suitable for members beginning their origami journey and for those who want to grow their skills to continue each term. Please read the supplementary information for further important details.

Creek St, Friday 9:00am - 10:30am. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

J68 LATIN - ADVANCED - LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE OF THE CLASSICAL PERIOD

Face-to-face class

Tutor: Laurie Gaffney

The aim of the course is to enrich our knowledge, appreciation and enjoyment of both the language and the literature of the "golden age" of classical Latin. An underlying premise is that in a close study of the literature, a deeper knowledge and understanding of the language is to be found. There are two elements to the course. The first is an ongoing survey and study of the literature of the period from Cato through to Juvenal and Apulius. The works are studied in their historical, political, and social contexts. The second part of the course consists of the reading and reciting of Virgil's "Aeneid".

Adelaide St, Friday 9:00am - 10:15am. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

H27 MODERN HISTORY Face-to-face class

Tutor: Carmel Lafferty

This class is a friendly group who are encouraged to present, listen to and discuss a wide range of subjects. The presentations are about events, people, and places from the 17th century up to today and are chosen, researched, and presented by class members. Every Friday brings new knowledge and insight for all of us. New members are most welcome. It is customary for class members to have coffee together after class and deepen our friendship. This is what U3A is all about - learning and connecting.

Adelaide St, Friday 9:15am - 10:45am. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

B45 QI GONG FOR SENIORS Face-to-face class

Tutor: Patricia Gordon

In this class we will follow a Qi Gong video with exercises to improve balance, strength, flexibility and mobility. Exercises are specially designed for Seniors. Wear comfortable clothing and shoes. Adelaide St, Friday 9:30am - 10:30am. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

J128 LATIN - LEVEL 11 Face-to-face class

Tutor: Yvonne McGann

In Term 1 we will continue Virgil's "Aeneid" Book 2. We are doing selected readings from the Cambridge Latin Anthology. Our grammar will be from Paterson and Macnaughton Book 3. Creek St, Friday 9:30am - 10:45am. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

J159 JAPANESE - INTRODUCTION TO THE JAPANESE LANGUAGE Face-to-face class

Tutor: Lesley Brandis

The emphasis will be on speaking and listening and there is an introduction to Japanese writing systems. There will be songs, cultural activities, traditional games and fun ways to learn a new language.

Adelaide St, Friday 9:30am - 10:45am. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

J218 SPANISH - INTERMEDIATE Face-to-face class

Tutor: Lily Buttigieg

PLEASE BE AWARE THAT THE CLASS TIME IS CURRENTLY PROVISIONAL AND IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE AT THE START OF 2025. Students will begin to learn more comprehensive grammar and vocabulary through developing their speaking, listening, writing and reading skills. The aim of this course is for students to progress in their language learning journey through structured instruction to work through B1 to B2 level. This is an intermediate level class, students are required to have a good understanding of Spanish around a B1 level.

Adelaide St, Friday 9:30am - 10:45am. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

N12 CLASSIC MOVIES Face-to-face class

Tutor: Vikki Londy

We view movies from various genres in the Classic period (by our definition 1930s to mid 1960s). Class members are welcome to take an active part in selecting and presenting their movies of choice. We can provide support in accessing movies from our library and can also assist with the equipment. The format includes a brief introduction to the movie followed by the screening of the movie. Each week covers one movie from the Classic period, although sometimes the class may be a spotlight on a famous actor or director.

Adelaide St, Friday 10:00am - 11:45am. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

J45 LATIN - ADVANCED - GRAMMAR AND TRANSLATION Face-to-face class *NEW*

Tutor: Paul York

This class focuses on translating the Latin works of such well-known classical authors as Cicero, Pliny the Younger, Seneca, Caesar and others not so well-known. A prerequisite is having completed the U3A Level 3 Latin course or being familiar with basic Latin grammar, up to the standard of Book 2 of Paterson and MacNaughton. Some advanced grammar and syntax will be studied from time to time, as prompted by the translation work.

Adelaide St, Friday 10:30am - 11:45am. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

F05 CRYPTIC CROSSWORDS - ADVANCED 2 Face-to-face class Class Full

Tutor: Jennifer Nunn

This class is for those who have completed intermediate classes and want to go on learning how to crack the code. Learn to unravel more complex clues, extend your thinking skills and have fun. Sorry, this is a continuing class and it is full. Please contact me to discuss your experience and to go on the waiting list.

Adelaide St, Friday 11:00am - 12:15pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

H05 AN INTRODUCTION TO CORNISH HISTORY AND CULTURE Face-to-face class

Tutor: Cheryl Hayden

Everyone loves Cornwall, but what makes it so special? We start by taking a journey through the Cornwall we see and read about in popular culture: the Poldark series, Doc Martin, and the novels of writers such as Daphne du Maurier and Rosamund Pilcher. Then we visit Cornwall's ancient Celtic past, its struggle for autonomy after the Norman conquest, its rebellious Reformation (and perhaps we'll join a rebel army), the world of tin and copper mining, the great migration to the 'new world' and artists' colonies. Finally, we look at Cornwall today, and what it means to be Cornish. Adelaide St, Friday 11:00am - 12:15pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

J11 LATIN - LEVEL 7 Face-to-face class

Tutor: Yvonne McGann

In Term 1 we will begin Caesar's Gallic Wars book 1. We will supplement this with readings from other authors and will revise grammar.

Creek St, Friday 11:00am - 12:15pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

J189 LATIN - MEDIEVAL Face-to-face class

Tutor: John Galligan

In Term 1 the class will continue to translate interesting Latin material from the Medieval period whilst exploring its historical context. We will also further our reading of the history of Medieval philosophy.

Adelaide St, Friday 11:00am - 12:15pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

M25 OPERA APPRECIATION Face-to-face class

Tutor: Kay Andersen

A class for those who want to increase their knowledge regarding operas by watching and enjoying operas with others. We will watch DVDs: you will receive a synopsis of the operas and any other important information about them.

Adelaide St, Friday 11:15am - 12:30pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

G13 WRITING FAMILY HISTORY Face-to-face class

Tutor: Stuart Wallace

Learn how to put your family history research into an interesting and readable form for your family. We will write and share short pieces on aspects of our family history.

Adelaide St, Friday 11:30am - 12:45pm. 2nd and 4th Friday each month. Class starts 14 February. Cost: \$20 (prepaid).

J32 TOPICS IN LINGUISTICS - MORPHOLOGY AND SYNTAX PART 2 Face-to-face class

Tutor: Tom Mylne

This is Part 2 of a course which commenced in Term 4 of 2024. New enrolments are welcome, but persons who have not completed Part 1 are invited to email the tutor prior to finalising an enrolment. This course will be based on the introductory linguistics courses I taught at various universities before I retired, but will focus exclusively on the study of morphology and syntax (i.e. grammar). We will look mainly at the grammar of English, but will venture into comparisons with other languages that I know something about: Latin, French, other Romance languages and one or two Australian (Aboriginal) languages.

Creek St, Friday 11:30am - 12:45pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

J48 LATIN FOR BEGINNERS Face-to-face class *NEW*

Tutor: Jeffrey Kernot

This course is for those with no background in Latin, or who met it long ago. It comprises an introduction to Latin grammar, reading Latin stories, and learning about these remarkable people from long ago. There will be a text book purchase required, for about \$60 new, but used copies are available.

Creek St, Friday 11:30am - 12:45pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

H19 HISTORY CASE STUDIES Face-to-face class

Tutor: Mary McVay

Each week, this class explores a different topic, or topics, from any period of history. Past topics include: the History of Coffee, the Kingdom of Ur and The Incas, Afghanistan and Iran, the History of Body Art and Bodybuilding, famous people and lots of topics from European history. Classes are led by group members on a voluntary basis. A brief question time allows for different points of view to be discussed in a supportive environment. We learn together with new enrolments always welcome. Most of the class meet for a friendly cup of tea or coffee afterwards.

Adelaide St, Friday 12:45pm - 2:00pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

J86 LATIN - 3 Face-to-face class

Tutor: Jeffrey Kernot

This course follows on from Latin 2. It is a combination of Latin grammar together with readings from Cambridge Latin. Although the course is intended for continuing students, a student with a recent Latin background is welcome to contact me to discuss enrolment. It is definitely not suitable for beginners.

Creek St, Friday 1:00pm - 2:15pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

P02 DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY Face-to-face class

Tutor: Hazel Sempf

We are a small friendly class who share our interest in photography. In class we show our photographs of the weekly subject, discuss camera settings, and/or the inspiration for the photograph. We also discuss camera settings for achieving particular outcomes. We aim to incorporate some field trips during the term, usually around the CBD or Southbank. Adelaide St, Friday 1:15pm - 2:45pm. Cost: \$50 (prepaid).

J166 MANDARIN - ADVANCED Zoom class

Tutor: Fay Lee

This course is for students who have some knowledge of reading and writing in Chinese. Online, Monday 10:00am - 11:15am. Class starts 3 February. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

<u>J91 CHINESE - MANDARIN LEVEL 3</u> Zoom class

Tutor: Joe Smith

This is a year-long course by Zoom for those continuing from last year, or who have studied some Chinese before. There is only one Zoom login for the whole year. Each class is recorded, so you don't have to worry about missing any. 600-word vocabulary. This class will start Mon 27th Jan, not 3rd Feb.

Online, Monday 10:00am - 11:30am. Class starts 3 February. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

F28 CRYPTIC CROSSWORDS - ADVANCED Zoom class

Tutor: Sarah Davies

For people who enjoy words, lateral thinking and activating those little grey cells. This is a class for those who already have experience in completing cryptic crosswords, including SMH and "The Times" among others. Any potential students should contact the convenor to discuss level attained. In the class, we share, discuss and analyse the answers to clues and complete crosswords. It is essential to have an email address for clues, crosswords and answers to be sent out. Online, Monday 11:00am - 12:00pm. Class starts 3 February. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

C31 ADOBE PHOTOSHOP CC AND LIGHTROOM Zoom class

Tutor: Ben Lindeboom

This course is aimed at those students who have acquired the full version of the ADOBE PHOTOSHOP CC AND LIGHTROOM subscription program and who would like to learn and understand the basic differences between Adobe Photoshop Elements, Photoshop CC and Lightroom CC. Topics discussed during this course are wide-ranging and include features not available in Photoshop Elements, features like Neural Filters, Sky Replacements, Linear and Radial Gradients, HDR, Focus Stacking, Channels, Curves, Masking, etc. The Course runs in conjunction with face-to-face class C20.

Online, Monday 12:30pm - 2:00pm. Class starts 3 February. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

F51 CRYPTIC CROSSWORDS FOR ABSOLUTE BEGINNERS Zoom class

Tutor: Sarah Davies

Have you ever tried to do cryptic crosswords but given up when you had no idea what the clues meant, or how to get the answers? Well, there is a code and there are rules. This two-term class (January to June) will cover all the styles of clues, the rules for crosswords and many of the hints and tips you will need to start. No prior knowledge is needed but a love of English and an inquisitive brain will help you to decipher the answers. Prepare to have your brain stretched!This class will only run in Terms 1 and 2 in 2025. Late enrolments will not be taken after mid-February unless you have spoken to the tutor.

Online, Monday 2:00pm - 3:15pm. Class starts 3 February. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

J51 LATIN - LEVEL 6 Zoom class

Tutor: Yvonne McGann

In Term 1 we will be continuing with Book IVB of the Cambridge Latin Course. We also do other readings and grammar exercises.

Online, Monday 2:00pm - 3:15pm. Class starts 3 February. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

T08 TRAVEL TALK Zoom class

Tutor: Graham Fuller

This friendly, relaxed class on Zoom thrives on members' discussions of their travel experiences and knowledge of independent travel and organised tours, both international and domestic. The knowledge shared assists experienced and inexperienced travellers. Volunteer class members present up to 30 minutes on a travel experience of their choice. This allows us to see places we may not have been before, or new perspectives on places we have. We also have occasional fun quizzes for light relief. This class is ideal for armchair travellers and experienced travellers alike. Online, Monday 2:30pm - 3:45pm. Class starts 3 February. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

J13 MANDARIN - INTERMEDIATE 1 Zoom class

Tutor: Fay Lee

This course is for the students who have finished the beginners class or those who have studied Chinese for a year or more.

Online, Monday 3:30pm - 4:45pm. Class starts 3 February. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

G01 MAKING A FAMILY TREE FREE-ISH Zoom class

Tutor: Joe Smith

A year-long course. We will investigate techniques to build your family tree using your computer from your own home. Some face-to-face tutoring could possibly be arranged to get set up. We will use the biggest free family tree building website: familysearch.org, but we can also look at the paid sites if necessary. You will only need your parents' birth details, name, date and place and death details if they have passed. Having your grandparents' details will make it easier. New students encouraged to join at the start of each subsequent term: Mon 21st Apr, Mon 14th Jul, Mon 6th Oct. Online, Monday 7:00pm - 8:00pm. Class starts 3 February. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

C167 GMAIL AND ANDROID PHONE/TABLET Zoom class

Tutor: Harry Gilman

The course covers Android OS fundamentals, including its functionality. Participants must have a Gmail account to access Google services. A brief introduction to Gmail features and settings is included. Security awareness for Android devices is emphasized to protect personal data. The Google Play Store will be explored, focusing on app and widget installation. The course introduces several Google apps: Google Keep for notetaking; Google Calendar for event management; Google Drive for file storage (without detailed usage instructions); Google Photos for image organization and editing; Google Maps for navigation.

Online, Tuesday 9:00am - 10:30am. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

C02 MS POWERPOINT: BASIC AND ADVANCED. EXERCISE YOUR BRAIN Zoom class

Tutor: John Canny

This class covers the PPT basics and beyond. PPT isn't just a presentation tool, it can become an artistic hobby. There are so many "bells and whistles" (including some AI) to explore. Create exciting presentations: a travel show, a family picture show, a show for U3A or your club. Make stunning slides with PICTURES and SHAPES, add AUDIO and VIDEO, use different FONTS and TEXT effects. Add excitement with ANIMATIONS and TRANSITIONS. You are limited by your imagination. A reasonable knowledge of computer and Windows basics is helpful. Each class consists of a number of PPT presentations. Digital files are provided.

Online, Tuesday 9:00am - 10:30am. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

L75 POETRY Zoom class

Tutor: Kev Warburton

The course will continue to study poetry from all eras, focussing on one selected poet each week. Some sessions will be used to share other poems, including those written by members of the class. Online, Tuesday 9:00am - 10:15am. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

C11 HOW TO MAKE THE MOST OF IPADS AND IPHONES Zoom class

Tutor: Deslyn Taylor

This course will look at using iPads and iPhones effectively. Do you have the right settings? What is the Wallet and is it secure? Make the most of Notes. Get the latest news, access eBooks, Audio Books and Music using the BCC Apps. Q&A sessions on your Apple Devices will be included and we will also look at organising your device to suit you.

Online, Tuesday 9:30am - 10:45am. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

J73 CHINESE - MANDARIN FOR BEGINNERS LEVEL 2 Zoom class

Tutor: Joe Smith

This is a year-long course by Zoom for those continuing from last year, or who have studied some Chinese before. There is only one Zoom login for the whole year. Each class is recorded, so you don't have to worry about missing any. Term 4 will be revision. So new students, especially those who have already done some study before, could join then if they wished. 300-word vocabulary. Online, Tuesday 10:00am - 11:30am. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

L10 LITERATURE OUT OF AFRICA Zoom class

Tutor: Catherine O'Donoghue

Reading Literature out of Africa provides rich learning about different cultures, a delight in appreciating writing styles, and empathy for the human experience. A variety of different texts are explored at a reading pace suitable for the group. There are one or two major works, such as a novel or autobiography each term, with some short works such as short stories and poetry. The class format includes presentations and discussions. It is a relaxed class with participation by choice. There will be opportunities for members to take the lead on discussions if you wish. Reading information will be issued on enrolment.

Online, Tuesday 10:45am - 12:00pm. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

S03 SCIENCE AND THE BIG ISSUES OF OUR TIME Zoom class

Tutor: Martin Gellender

Each week, the class will discuss the science behind the big issues facing Australians in the 21st century. Could Australia derive all its energy needs from renewable energy, and what would be the implications? What are the implications if Australia adopts nuclear energy? Could humans colonise other planets? Can food production be increased to meet rising demands of a growing world population? What are the key environmental challenges that will confront our grandchildren? Runs in conjunction with face-to-face class S12.

Online, Tuesday 11:15am - 12:30pm. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

J19 SPANISH BOOK READING Zoom class

Tutor: Sally Steffens

In this class we read contemporary Spanish novels. In class we take turns to read aloud and translate. In Term 4 we will continue reading "Hija de la fortuna" by Isabel Allende. This book is Intermediate B2 Level.

Online, Tuesday 2:00pm - 3:15pm. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

X26 USING ZOOM AND GOOGLE CLASSROOM TO TEACH Zoom class

Tutor: Joe Smith

A year-long course, accepting students any time, if there is a vacancy. We will learn how to use Zoom and Google Classroom to conduct U3A courses online. Doing so may be done in conjunction with face-to-face classes to get more participants. Help in getting set up to join the first time, could be arranged.

Online, Tuesday 7:00pm - 8:00pm. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

X02 MATHS FOR SENIORS Zoom class

Tutor: John Van Der Werff

The course covers simple operations with numbers, including fractions, percentages, decimals, ratios, basic algebra and geometry measurements, converting Imperial to Metric, statistics, probability and charts. This is practical mathematics for day-to-day use. Online, Wednesday 8:30am - 9:30am. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

X14 THE ELECTRIC CAR, COMING, READY OR NOT Zoom class

Tutor: John Murray

With growing interest in electric vehicles, this course looks at the pragmatics of ownership, basic understandings and the technical and social contexts that have brought the electric car to popularity. It is now provided over 6 sessions namely: Wk1 The Electric Car: not a caterpillar with wings. Wk2 The Electric Car: common concerns. Wk3 The Electric Car: why now? Wk4 The Electric Car: clean and green or dirty and mean. Wk5 The Electric Car: Myth-information. Wk6 Alternating Currents: the rise and fall and rise again of the electric car.

Online, Wednesday 8:30am - 10:00am. 6 weeks. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

J10 CHINESE - MANDARIN FOR BEGINNERS LEVEL 1 Zoom class

Tutor: Joe Smith

This is a year-long course by Zoom for those who haven't studied Chinese before. There is only one Zoom login for the whole year. Each class is recorded, so you don't have to worry about missing any. We will focus on spoken Mandarin, the national language of China. Worldwide it's the second most spoken language after English. This class will teach participants spoken phrases and vocabulary, plus the importance of using proper "tones". We will use Pinyin for writing, the phonetic system used, e.g. on computers, to get the Chinese characters. Term 4 will be revision. So, new students could join Term 4. 150-word vocabulary.

Online, Wednesday 10:00am - 11:00am. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

J80 GERMAN - ADVANCED CLASS 2 Zoom class

Tutor: Ivar Stephensen

For those who want to develop their speaking, listening and reading skills in everyday German to an advanced level, or just maintain themselves at that level. The class is using "Video-Thema", a B2 level series from Deutsche Welle. "Video-Thema" can be accessed online at no cost using a computer, laptop, tablet, iPad or smartphone via the following link:

https://learngerman.dw.com/de/video-thema/s-55861568

All class members get to speak and read aloud in German during classes. The course continues from the previous term, but places should be available for newcomers. Online, Wednesday 11:00am - 12:00pm. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

J58 SPANISH BOOK READING INTERMEDIATE Zoom class

Tutor: Lyn Hamill

Whatever book we choose they will be at B2 level or higher, you will be able to find it on Amazon.com.au. If you have any questions about the course, please contact the tutor. Online, Wednesday 12:30pm - 1:30pm. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

L14 THE POETRY OF GWEN HARWOOD Zoom class *NEW*

Tutor: Judith Keller

Gwen Harwood (1920-1995) grew up in Taringa in Brisbane and then later moved to Hobart. She is a celebrated Australian poet, publishing over 420 works. One reviewer has described Gwen as a "virtuoso poet who stirs and sometimes stuns the heart, and always interests the mind." In this class we will briefly explore Gwen's life and a selection of her poems. Equal focus will be placed on reading a selection of poems by contemporary Australian women poets who have been shortlisted or published online by Island Magazine in relation to the annual Gwen Harwood Poetry Prize established in her name.

Online, Wednesday 1:30pm - 2:45pm. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

E13 ECONOMICS AND FINANCE FOR EVERYONE Zoom class

Tutor: Mark Davies

This class is about understanding economics and finance and how it affects our day-to-day life, looking at current local and international events, the changes which are occurring, and those which may be required in the future. Class discussions are based on four articles which are distributed in advance, usually two articles on international developments and two focused on Australian issues. No prior knowledge of economics is required. Prospective participants are welcome to contact the tutor for class details.

Online, Wednesday 2:00pm - 3:30pm. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

J69 FRENCH - CONVERSATION FOR ADVANCED BEGINNERS (EMAIL-BASED)

Tutor: Dominic Vu

This class continues the study of the French language and French-speaking cultures, with emphasis on the development of communication skills and basic structures. It is conducted via email and suitable for members who cannot attend face-to-face classes and are prepared to study the textbook at home as guided by the tutor. Textbook: "Communication Progressive du Francais", niveau intermediaire, 2e edition. Term 1 will cover lessons 25 to 29. Note that this class and J179 have the same content.

J187 GERMAN - INTERMEDIATE Zoom class

Tutor: Ivar Stephensen

For those who are already suitably competent in German and want to develop their speaking, listening and reading skills in everyday German to an intermediate level. The class uses "Nicos Weg", a B1 level series from Deutsche Welle. "Nicos Weg" can be accessed online at no cost using a computer, laptop, tablet, iPad or smartphone via the following link:

https://learngerman.dw.com/de/nicos-weg/c-36519718

All class members get to speak and read aloud in German during classes. The course continues from the previous term, but places should be available for newcomers. Online, Wednesday 2:30pm - 3:30pm. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

X16 BEEKEEPING - HOBBY BEEKEEPING Zoom class

Tutor: Joe Smith

This is a repeating course each term and each class is recorded, so you don't have to worry about missing any. In this course I introduce the basics of European honey beekeeping at home and include two classes on native bees. Preventing disease and managing pests of a honey bee hive would take an hour per month in spring and summer and you may get 20kg of honey per month. With the new Varroa Mite, pure organic beekeeping methods will probably not be possible. Online, Wednesday 7:00pm - 8:00pm. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

L15 LITERATURE WITH FRIENDS Zoom class *NEW*

Tutor: Deslyn Taylor

We will begin 2025 with Tan Twan Eng's "The House of Doors" set in the 1920s British colony of the Federated Malay States. The novel was longlisted for the 2023 Booker Prize and listed among notable fiction works in 2023 by The Washington Post and The Financial Times. We will follow this with a brief look at Somerset Maugham's "The Casuarina Tree" which is a set of short stories based on his stay in the area during the 1920s.

Online, Thursday 9:00am - 10:15am. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

J44 CHINESE - MANDARIN LEVEL 4 Zoom class *NEW*

Tutor: Joe Smith

This is a year-long course by Zoom for those continuing from last year, or who have studied some Chinese before. There is only one Zoom login for the whole year. Each class is recorded, so you don't have to worry about missing any. 1200-word vocabulary. Online, Thursday 10:00am - 11:30am. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

J224 FRENCH - READ A NOVEL (GROUP 2) Zoom class

Tutor: Robert Ward

Members meet to read novels in their original French then translate/interpret in class individually and in turn in English. Points of pronunciation, vocabulary and grammar may be discussed as we go along. The class is currently reading L'elegance du herrison. We will be commencing a book containing short stories from a range of well known French authors from the middle/end to Term 1. New members may join the class at that time. Please contact the tutor for further updates as class members are still in the process of choosing the next material to read. Online, Thursday 10:15am - 11:30am. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

H46 THE WISDOM OF ANCIENT EGYPT Zoom class *NEW*

Tutor: Meredith Murray

We invite you to take a journey to Ancient Egypt, examining the interconnectedness of life, philosophy, and spirituality through the lens of Ma'at, which emphasizes harmony and order. By connecting architectural landmarks, wisdom texts, and influential figures, we illuminate philosophical inquiries that resonate in today's world. Our emphasis on recent archaeological findings and primary sources serves as a gateway to understanding ancient religious practices and societal structures, allowing for reflection on the lasting legacy of Egyptian thought and its ties to Western philosophy. Online, Thursday 1:45pm - 3:45pm. Class starts 6 February. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

J50 THAI - SPOKEN THAI FOR BEGINNERS Zoom class

Tutor: Joe Smith

This course is offered for the whole year and each class is recorded, so you don't have to worry about missing any. Thai grammar is very easy: there are no plural nouns and no different tenses of verbs. Numbers indicate plurals, and other words, such as "yesterday", show time/tense. Thai language is tonal, like Chinese, but it has an alphabet, unlike Chinese, because of the influence of India. We will focus on common spoken Thai.

Online, Thursday 7:00pm - 8:00pm. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

L01 SHARING INSIGHTFUL BOOKS ON LIVING IN OUR TIME Zoom class

Tutor: Christopher Davidson

In this class, we aim to make tackling a non-fiction book more rewarding by reading it in stages, and meeting online fortnightly to review what we've read. This term, the book is History for Tomorrow by Australian-born, Oxford-based social philosopher Roman Krznaric whose books (published in 25 languages) focus on the power of ideas to create change. This book analyses 10 specific issues that arose in history, and inspire ways to confront challenges we face today. To help you decide, watch the start of this video:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fXTbcDgg9ek

Released in July 2024, History for Tomorrow is available online for \$28.00. Online, Friday 9:00am - 10:30am. Fortnightly. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

H44 MODERN HISTORY Zoom class Class Full

Tutor: Carmel Lafferty

This class is a friendly group who are encouraged to present, listen to and discuss a wide range of subjects. The presentations are about events, people, and places from the 17th century up to today and are chosen, researched, and presented by class members. Every Friday brings new knowledge and insight for all of us. This is what U3A is all about - learning and connecting. Online, Friday 9:15am - 10:45am. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

E17 POLITICS AND THE ECONOMY - HOPES AND FEARS Zoom class

Tutor: Bruce Holdsworth

Amid fears and problems, our friendly group seeks hope and solutions. We use basic economics to consider topics including the worsening Climate and Environment; Democracy in danger: Money Politics and growing Inequality here and in US,UK,etc; Economic Developments (inflation, recession, financial crises, austerity, etc) and Technology (AI) and Education strains; Conflicts: Israel/Gaza/Lebanon; the USA and its allies vs China, Russia, Iran; Ukraine War; BRICS; Nationalism vs Globalisation; plus COVID and its impacts; and Social Divisions (rich vs rest, women's position, authoritarianism vs dissent, media bias, racism and bigotry). Online, Friday 10:45am - 12:00pm. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

J60 MANDARIN COMMUNICATIONS Zoom class

Tutor: Ling Zhao

This course attaches great importance to the practicality of Mandarin, and the ideal outcome is that students can have a flexible use of Mandarin in their daily communication. This course will also facilitate students in Mandarin-speaking fluency, accuracy and pronunciation. If you are considering taking this course, it would be better if you are able to communicate in basic Mandarin (e.g. greeting, ordering, introducing oneself, etc.). The teaching materials will be tailored by the teacher to the language proficiency of the class.

Online, Sunday 1:00pm - 2:15pm. Cost: \$25 (prepaid).

J02 RUSSIAN - COLLOQUIAL Face-to-face class

Tutor: Greg Hausler

If you have some (even rudimentary) knowledge of the Russian language, and wish to try out some conversation with others, you are very welcome to join our friendly informal social group. We normally have some conversation practice and also translate a simple prepared text. Phone the tutor/co-ordinator to enrol. New members most welcome.

Brisbane Square Library, Monday 9:45am - 11:00am. Class starts 3 February.

A11 QAGOMA ART TOURS ASIA PACIFIC TRIENNIAL 11 - QAG Face-to-face class *NEW*

Tutor: Amanda Roan

Each Monday in February and March there will be a guided tour of The Asia Pacific Triennial. Collect a group of friends and book into these small tours specifically offered to U3A art lovers and led by dedicated QAGOMA volunteer guides. Bringing compelling new art to Brisbane, the Triennial is a gateway to the rapidly evolving artistic expression of Australia, Asia and the Pacific. The tours will be at 10:15 - 11:00 and will alternate between QAG and GOMA. Meet at 10:00 at the Melbourne Street entrance for the QAG tour or the GOMA entrance for that tour. Each tour is capped at 15 and you must register in advance to be on a tour.

Queensland Gallery of Modern Art, Monday 10:00am - 11:00am. One week only. Class date 3 February.

A12 QAGOMA ART TOURS ASIA PACIFIC TRIENNIAL 11 - GOMA Face-to-face class *NEW* Tutor: Amanda Roan

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Queensland Gallery of Modern Art, Monday 10:00am - 11:00am. One week only. Class date 10 February.

A13 QAGOMA ART TOURS ASIA PACIFIC TRIENNIAL 11 - QAG Face-to-face class *NEW*

Tutor: Amanda Roan

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Queensland Gallery of Modern Art, Monday 10:00am - 11:00am. One week only. Class date 17 February.

A14 QAGOMA ART TOURS ASIA PACIFIC TRIENNIAL 11 - GOMA Face-to-face class *NEW*

Tutor: Amanda Roan

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Queensland Gallery of Modern Art, Monday 10:00am - 11:00am. One week only. Class date 24 February.

A15 QAGOMA ART TOURS ASIA PACIFIC TRIENNIAL 11 - QAG Face-to-face class *NEW*

Tutor: Amanda Roan

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Queensland Gallery of Modern Art, Monday 10:00am - 11:00am. One week only. Class date 3 March.

A16 QAGOMA ART TOURS ASIA PACIFIC TRIENNIAL 11 - GOMA Face-to-face class *NEW*

Tutor: Amanda Roan

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Queensland Gallery of Modern Art, Monday 10:00am - 11:15am. One week only. Class date 10 March.

A19 QAGOMA ART TOURS ASIA PACIFIC TRIENNIAL 11 - QAG Face-to-face class *NEW* Tutor: Amanda Roan

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Queensland Gallery of Modern Art, Monday 10:00am - 11:00am. One week only. Class date 17 March.

A27 QAGOMA ART TOURS ASIA PACIFIC TRIENNIAL 11 - GOMA Face-to-face class *NEW* Tutor: Amanda Roan

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Queensland Gallery of Modern Art, Monday 10:00am - 11:00am. One week only. Class date 24 March.

A28 QAGOMA ART TOURS ASIA PACIFIC TRIENNIAL 11 - GOMA Face-to-face class *NEW*

Tutor: Amanda Roan

Each Monday in February and March there will be a guided tour of The Asia Pacific Triennial. Collect a group of friends and book in to these small tours specifically offered to U3A art lovers and led by dedicated QAGOMA volunteer guides. Bringing compelling new art to Brisbane, the Triennial is a gateway to the rapidly evolving artistic expression of Australia, Asia and the Pacific. The tours will be at 10:15 - 11:00 and will alternate between QAG and GOMA. Meet at 10:00 at the Melbourne Street entrance for the QAG tour or the GOMA entrance for that tour. Each tour is capped at 15 and you must register in advance to be on a tour.

Queensland Gallery of Modern Art, Monday 10:00am - 11:00am. One week only. Class date 31 March.

H37 HISTORICAL WALKING TOUR Face-to-face class

Tutor: Brett Lee

Brett is retired after a 40 year career in local government. Two-hour walking tour through key historical locations in the Brisbane CBD. Six stops including: City Hall; Macarthur Chambers; corner of Albert and Queen Streets; George Street; and Old Government House. At each stop, historical information will be given about the significance of each location. Dates for 2025 are 5 and 26 February.

Brisbane City Hall, Wednesday 10:00am - 12:00pm. One week only. Class date 5 February.

H06 HISTORICAL WALKING TOUR Face-to-face class

Tutor: Brett Lee

Brett is retired after a 40 year career in local government. Two-hour walking tour through key historical locations in the Brisbane CBD. Six stops including: City Hall; Macarthur Chambers; corner of Albert and Queen Streets; George Street; and Old Government House. At each stop, historical information will be given about the significance of each location. Dates for 2025 are 5 and 26 February.

Brisbane City Hall, Wednesday 10:00am - 12:00pm. One week only. Class starts 26 February.

L03 BOOK DISCUSSION Face-to-face class Class Full

Tutor: Rosemarie Schukraft

Members choose 11 interesting books for the following year at the December meeting and then undertake to facilitate the discussion on the book they have chosen. To limit costs, books are chosen where possible from BCC libraries. Book discussions are held at 10 -11.30am every third Wednesday of the month.

State Library, Wednesday 10:00am - 11:30am.

M02 RECORDER ENSEMBLE Face-to-face class

Tutor: Marion MacLaughlin

This is a continuing advanced class and new students should contact the Tutor before joining this class.

Admiralty Towers 2, Wednesday 10:00am - 11:30am. Class starts 5 February.

X108 LUNCH GROUP Face-to-face class

Tutor: Thomas Moloney

City monthly lunch group is held on the second Wednesday of each month from 12:00 noon onwards. Leader will provide details of the restaurant on the first of every month. If you want cheerful, light-hearted conversation, you would be welcome.

Check with Tutor, Wednesday 12:00pm - 3:00pm. 2nd Wed of each month. Class starts 12 February.

M06 LEARNING THE RECORDER Face-to-face class

Tutor: Marion MacLaughlin

This class is an intermediate class and not suitable for beginners. The class is being held in the Over Fifties centre in the City Hall basement.

Brisbane City Hall, Thursday 12:00pm - 1:30pm. Class starts 6 February.

S19 GEOLOGY Face-to-face class

Tutor: Cecil Murray

In Term 1 topics will be the early history of geology, continental drift, sea-floor spreading and plate tectonics (how the world works), minerals and gems, and igneous rocks.

Brisbane Square Library, Thursday 12:00pm - 1:30pm. 1st, 3rd and 5th Thursdays.

L07 BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP Face-to-face class

Tutor: Carmel Searle

Meetings are held at the Brisbane Square Library in the Community Room and commence on the first Friday of the month at 10am. Enquiries to the Tutor. The class will be continuing as usual as per the current BCC library policy.

Brisbane Square Library, Friday 10:00am - 11:00am. First Friday of month. Class starts 7 February.

T11 A WALK ON THE WILDSIDE Face-to-face class

Tutor: Barry Jones

Every Sunday morning starting at 7am in the summer and 7.30 am in the winter. Starting point varies, ranging from Teneriffe to the north and Graceville to the south. Some walks around West End and also the the City. We end the walk at a cafe for coffee and brekky.

South Brisbane Sailing Club, Sunday 7:00am - 9:00am.

LOGAN DISTRICT - MONDAY

B112 TAI CHI FOR SENIORS - INTERMEDIATE Face-to-face class

Tutor: Mary Langler

Explore the health benefits of this ancient art in a gentle form of exercise which combines relaxation, strength, and meditation. We will continue our journey with warm-up exercises and QiGong (Chee Koong), building energy and preparing you for Tai Chi form. This class has been running for several years and is suitable for people who have already done some Tai Chi. From 9-10am, we do Shibashi Sets 1-3, 8 Brocades, Lohan, Lotus, Tai Chi 10 as well as some other breathing and stretching exercises. More advanced students continue after 10am to practise the full Tai Chi Form and Fan. This option is not available to new members.

Riverdale Park, Monday 9:00am - 11:00am. Class starts 3 February.

H36 HISTORY Face-to-face class

Tutor: Jim Ancliffe Talks cover the broad spectrum of history. Elements Living, Monday 9:00am - 11:00am. Class starts 3 February.

A03 CARD MAKING FOR SPECIAL OCCASIONS Face-to-face class

Tutor: Linda Tan

BEGINNERS WELCOME. Two kits with all materials for two projects will be provided on the day. Learn new techniques and fun folds with plenty of instruction for beginners. Please bring your own sharp scissors, pencil, ruler, and double-sided tape runner adhesive (available from craft stores like Spotlight). Tombow multi-purpose glue is also recommended. Meet new friends, have fun and take away a special card handmade by you. **Cost is \$10 for materials for each class pre-paid. Logan North Library, Monday 12:30pm - 2:30pm. 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month. Class starts 3 February. Cost: \$10 (per class).

J49 SPRING INTO FRENCH Face-to-face class

Tutor: Peter Mason

This French class uses modern day-to-day French with interaction. Content will provide fundamentals of the language plus methods of self-improvement, using free resources readily available. Whether it's resuscitating French from younger days, or just some knowledge of this language, come join in. Our meetings include current French culture, music, anime and we enjoy listening to Francophile adventures of our class members. Sometimes we meet for outside events socially, near Daisy Hill or occasionally around Springwood in parks or coffee shops. Contact tutor for details, Monday 1:00pm - 2:30pm. Class starts 3 February.

LOGAN DISTRICT - TUESDAY

B91 ADVANCING IN TAI CHI GROUP 1 Face-to-face class

Tutor: Cheryl Smith

We are practicing a shorter version of Yang Style Tai Chi and the gentle exercise of Chi Kung. The class is easy to follow and has proven to be a great benefit to our overall health and general well being. We focus on breathing exercises, stretching and flexibility practiced in a safe manner. Riverdale Park, Tuesday 9:30am - 10:30am.

Y13 PHILOSOPHICAL DISCUSSION Face-to-face class

Tutor: Bronwyn Statham

The group discusses a range of subjects of philosophical interest, both historical and contemporary. New members are welcome.

Contact tutor for details of venue etc, Tuesday 9:30am - 11:30am.

K10 CREATIVE WRITING Face-to-face class

Tutor: Marlene Wood

Participants may share short extracts of less than 1000 words of their writing with the group. This can be short stories, personal reflections, poetry etc. This is an opportunity to learn from each other by offering encouragement, constructive suggestions and support and insights gained from general reading. There is no instructor with all the answers. Please note this is a fortnightly class, starting in the first week of term.

Beenleigh Neighbourhood Centre, Tuesday 10:00am - 11:30am. Fortnightly class. Cost: \$2 (per class).

B02 CHI KUNG FOR BEGINNERS Face-to-face class

Tutor: Cheryl Smith

This is a class of gentle exercises. "The 8 Brocades" are said to have multiple benefits and have been practised in China for more than three millennia. It is easy to learn and is designed to improve mood, balance, flexibility, health and general wellbeing when practised daily in a safe manner. Exercises practised are from the Shibashi sets 1, 2, and 3 and created from Yang Style Tai Chi. Riverdale Park, Tuesday 11:00am - 12:00pm.

F07 CANASTA VARIATION CARD GAME (HAND AND FOOT) Face-to-face class

Tutor: Yvonne Mappas

Canasta is a popular card game. Come along to learn and play this variation of the game in a friendly and supportive class. This is a great way to meet new friends. Beginners and beyond welcome.

Contact tutor for details of venue etc, Tuesday 1:00pm - 4:00pm.

J162 FRENCH SKILLS Face-to-face class

Tutor: Col Davies

Take your French language skills to the next level. Designed for students at the A2 level of CEFR. The class is a mix of speaking, listening, writing and reading.

Contact tutor for details, Tuesday 1:00pm - 2:30pm.

LOGAN DISTRICT - WEDNESDAY

P01 CAMERA CLUB Face-to-face class

Tutor: Trevor Scott

This class consists of showing the photos taken during an outing or a suggested topic is discussed regarding the photo and some helpful hints might be suggested. It is expected that new members have some experience in using their camera, however we will help if there is a problem. Discussions take place at a local coffee shop to plan outings etc. The group has an online "membership only" app to post your latest photos. Contact tutor for further information.

Logan North Library, Wednesday 10:00am - 11:30am. 3rd Wednesday of the month. Class starts 19 February.

X83 TRAVEL GROUP Face-to-face class

Tutor: Barry Cook

A friendly, informal group where we share memories and tips and some outings. Occasionally speakers from outside give travel advice or talk about their experiences. Classes commence 9th October.

Elements Living, Wednesday 12:00pm - 1:30pm. 2nd Wednesday of each month. Class starts 12 February.

A09 MODERN ARTS AND CRAFTS Face-to-face class *NEW*

Tutor: Edwina Tam

Embark on a creative adventure with a group of like-minded people and immerse yourself in the world of arts and crafts. Discover your artistic side and explore various projects and mediums, including decoupage, macrame, floral collages, shadow boxes, glue gun arts and much more. Materials are provided at cost, from \$5.00 but varies with the craft.

Logan Central Library, Wednesday 12:30pm - 2:30pm. 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month. Class starts 5 February. Cost: \$5 (per class).

LOGAN DISTRICT - THURSDAY

B108 CHI KUNG GENTLE - ADVANCED Face-to-face class

Tutor: Marcel Miltenburg

This is a class of gentle exercise. "The 8 Brocades" or "8 Treasures", are said to have multiple benefits and to have been practiced in China for more than three millennia. It is easy to learn and is designed to improve mood, balance, flexibility, health and general wellbeing when practised daily in a safe manner. Exercises practised are from the Shibashi (18 movements) Sets 1, 2 and 3 and created from Yang style Tai Chi.

Riverdale Park, Thursday 9:30am - 10:45am.

M08 UKULELE SINGALONG Face-to-face class

Tutor: Carolyn Roney

This class is for those who have some experience playing the Ukulele. Everyone has an enjoyable time with friendly people and great music!! Beginners are very welcome. Elements Living, Thursday 9:30am - 11:30am.

B12 TAI CHI FOR BEGINNERS Face-to-face class

Tutor: Marcel Miltenburg

Tai Chi is a gentle form of exercise made up of smooth, graceful movements and breathing techniques that focus your mind. The movements in tai chi gently exercise the muscles and joints in your body and can improve your flexibility. Practicing tai chi may also help you to relax and improve your sense of well being.We start each class with gentle warmup exercises conducive to harmonizing Body, Mind and Spirit.Then, you will be learning postures of a short form from the most popular Yang Style Tai Chi in the world, renowned for gradually, and with consistent practice and dedication, improve your balance, health and vitality.

Riverdale Park, Thursday 10:30am - 11:45am.

X18 FLORISTRY AND IKEBANA Face-to-face class Class Full

Tutor: Edwina Tam

This combined Floristry and Ikebana class is designed for both beginners and intermediate students. While the class is currently full, you can submit your name to the tutor for the wait list and will be informed when a vacancy arises. A prepaid fee of \$18 is required prior to each class to cover the costs of fresh flowers and delivery charges. Alternatively you may bring your own flowers if you prefer.

Logan Hyperdome Library, Thursday 12:30pm - 2:30pm. 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month. Class starts 13 February. Cost: \$18 (per class) - cost of materials.

LOGAN DISTRICT - FRIDAY

J214 SPANISH - BEGINNER Face-to-face class

Tutor: Ae Sook Mankiewicz

Lets learn Spanish together. Did you know people who speak more than one language often have sharper memories, enhanced problem solving skills, better concentration and a greater tendency for creativity? Why not join us and have fun learning Spanish together.

Beenleigh Neighbourhood Centre, Friday 9:00am - 10:15am. Cost: \$2 (per class).

F17 MAHJONG-WESTERN STYLE Face-to-face class

Tutor: Angela De Hennin

This class is for all levels of ability. Beginners are welcome. We play Western Style. We have a room booked for the first Friday of the month at Hyperdome library From 10-12. The other Fridays we take our chances downstairs in the main study area.

Contact tutor for details, Friday 10:00am - 12:00pm. 1st, 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month. Class starts 7 February.

J167 SPANISH - ADVANCED Face-to-face class

Tutor: Ae Sook Mankiewicz This is an advanced class with a lot of conversation. Beenleigh Neighbourhood Centre, Friday 10:30am - 11:45am. Cost: \$2 (per class).

F13 TRIVIA FOR FUN Face-to-face class

Tutor: Edie Kelly

Questions of varying difficulty will be drawn from a range of topics and presented through oral questioning, with or without photographs. Sometimes the questions will relate to a nominated theme. There will be a short break halfway through the session for socialising and discussion. Please note: class commences Friday February 14.

Logan Hyperdome Library, Friday 12:00pm - 2:00pm. 2nd and 4th Friday of the month. Class starts 14 February.

M29 GUITAR GROUP Face-to-face class

Tutor: Grant Croft

Enjoy playing guitar with other beginners and intermediates in a relaxed group. This is not a tutoring class as such as we play along with prepared songs.Help is available to assist where ablePlease contact Grant Croft for all enquiries.

Beenleigh Neighbourhood Centre, Friday 12:00pm - 1:30pm. Cost: \$2 (per class).

F09 MAHJONG FOR FUN Face-to-face class Class Full

Tutor: Gwen Ledger

We play the western way, using games from the book "The Mahjong Player's Companion" by Patricia A. Thompson and Betty Maloney. All participants will need their own copy. We do not score, we play with or without walls, and we play by a basic set of mahjong rules which are laid down clearly as house rules. At the moment we cannot accept new members.

Holland Park Library, Monday 9:30am - 12:00pm. Class starts 3 February.

J01 ITALIAN COMMUNICATION A Face-to-face class Class Full

Tutor: Kevin Mahoney

For people who have completed two years with Kevin or elsewhere. This is NOT a conversation class. We do some additional aspects of grammar, but our main focus is on reading and delivering short talks - both prepared and impromptu.

The Village Coorparoo, Monday 1:00pm - 2:30pm. Class starts 3 February.

F15 CHINESE MAHJONG Face-to-face class

Tutor: Ronda Marshall

This class is a continuation of the class held in the city before the COVID problem. If you played in the city with me, you are welcome to rejoin this group. You do not need a Mahjong set to play. There is no printed book for this type of Mahjong. No new players in this quarter. Coorparoo RSL, Tuesday 12:30pm - 2:30pm.

J186 FRENCH INTERMEDIATE B1 Face-to-face class

Tutor: Wendy Collins

Due to health reasons, the start date is to be advised. J186 is intended for students who already have a sound knowledge of the French language and who wish to progress further in their study. We will cover oral, aural and written work, with an emphasis on expanding vocabulary, using more advanced grammar structures, and comprehension skills. We will have fun learning to communicate in everyday situations and discussing current issues. The course also incorporates French culture and history. The aim is to ensure that students feel comfortable participating in a friendly and welcoming learning environment.

Garden City Library, Tuesday 3:00pm - 4:15pm.

F03 CANASTA VARIATION HAND AND FOOT Face-to-face class

Tutor: Yvonne Mappas

Come along to learn and play the variation of this game in a friendly and supportive class. Beginners and beyond welcome. Contact Tutor for venue details.

Club Southside, Wednesday 9:30am - 12:30pm. Cost: \$1 (per class) - To pay for replacement of cards etc.

J74 ITALIAN COMMUNICATION C Face-to-face class

Tutor: Kevin Mahoney

This is NOT a conversation class. We read short stories, newspaper articles, tourist brochures etc. We deliver, in Italian, class talks (both prepared and impromptu). Interested members must have completed at least six years with Kevin or elsewhere and must consult with Kevin before enrolling. The Village Coorparoo, Wednesday 9:45am - 11:00am.

A49 CARD MAKING FOR BOTH BEGINNERS AND EXPERIENCED Face-to-face class

Tutor: Linda Tan

Learn fabulous paper crafting techniques from an experienced and passionate card maker. All materials for 2 lovely projects will be provided on the day - you need to bring a tape runner adhesive (available from Spotlight, Lincraft), pencil, ruler, small sharp scissors and double-sided foam tape if you wish to add dimension to your projects. Tombow multi-purpose glue is also highly recommended. This is an opportunity to learn new skills, meet new friends and take away something special. Projects are seasonally based. Weeks may vary subject to the availability of the library. Email is my preferred form of contact. \$10 per class

Coopers Plains Library, Wednesday 10:30am - 12:30pm. 4th Wednesday of the month. Class starts 26 February. Cost: \$10 (per class) - Cost of materials.

J31 FRENCH ADVANCED Face-to-face class

Tutor: June Dews

This is a full immersion course. If you enjoy speaking, reading and writing in French, you will love this class. In Term 1, we will emphasise the use of Verbs: imperative/subjunctive and other tenses, as well as key expressions, grammar, and pronunciation. The tutor is a native speaker of French and a qualified teacher with extensive experience. If you are unsure of the level required, please contact the tutor before enrolling. Two textbooks are required - CLE International "Vite et Bien 1 - A1 A2: Methode rapide pour Adultes" and "Vite et Bien 2 - B1 [2nd edition] (Claire Miquel). Carindale Library, Wednesday 11:00am - 12:30pm.

R01 A PANORAMA OF WORLD VIEWS Face-to-face class

Tutor: Wayne Weiler

The subcontinent of India is a fascinating study in great contrasts. From north to south and east to west one experiences a vast diversity of historical backgrounds, cultures, foods and religions. The main area we will focus on will be Hinduism which has over a million gods, a strict cast system, and complex religious practices. As usual, questions and discussions are encouraged. It is suggested that participants bring a notebook as not all information will be on the PowerPoints. Please note: this course will operate in Terms 1 and 3 in 2025.

Carindale Library, Wednesday 11:00am - 12:15pm. \$7 per term for photocopying.

J36 ITALIAN COMMUNICATION B Face-to-face class

Tutor: Kevin Mahoney

This is NOT a conversation class. We read short stories, newspaper articles, tourist brochures etc. We deliver talks, in Italian (both prepared and impromptu). Interested members must have completed at least four years with Kevin or elsewhere and must consult with Kevin before enrolling. The Village Coorparoo, Wednesday 12:00pm - 1:30pm.

J88 FRENCH - INTERMEDIATE Face-to-face class

Tutor: Bert Choolun

This class has been designed for students who already have a good knowledge of the French language but now wish to progress to a more rigorous level of grammar, reading, writing, conversation and comprehension. Activities will include revision of grammar, reading short stories from French books and discussing them during class, and conversing in French with fellow class members, with a strong emphasis on correct pronunciation. Carindale Library, Thursday 1:00pm - 2:15pm.

B26 INTRODUCTION TO LAWN BOWLS Face-to-face class

Tutor: Ann Beliveau

Four-week trial (\$12 per session) with coaches in a friendly and supportive environment. Lawn bowls is a low impact sport, good exercise, improves coordination and confidence and very social. Club bowls available or bring your own. Bowling arms available if needed. Flat-soled shoes or barefoot. Classes are held on an all-weather green at Mt Gravatt Bowls Club. Phone Ann on 0407377284 or email annbeliveau@gmail.com. Classes will be held on Fridays including 28th February, 7th March, 14th March, and 21st March, 9:30 - 11:00 am.

Mt Gravatt Bowls Club, Friday 9:30am - 11:00am. Class starts 28 February. Cost: \$10 (per class) - \$12 per session.

F19 MAHJONG - WESTERN STYLE Face-to-face class

Tutor: Yvonne Mappas

We play for fun, no scoring and no walls. If you would like to play in a relaxed and yet challenging way, then this is for you. Beginners to more advanced are welcome. The book "The Mahjong Player's Companion" by Patricia A. Thompson and Betty Maloney is needed for this and you will need to have your own copy.

Club Southside, Friday 9:30am - 12:30pm.

X15 EXPERIENCING CHINA Face-to-face class Class Full

Tutor: Bryan Iles

The course provides the opportunity to study various aspects of China, including special topics such as Chinese New Year, its legend, its importance and impact on China. Other topics include study of the social and political structure of China, including the four forms of local government. Within each local government region time is spent looking at the geography, location, economy and any other important features. Topics include infrastructure development: roads, railways, fast speed train network, airports and water resources. Living standards and lifestyle changes are discussed, with a particular emphasis on their rapid change.

Sunnybank Hills Library, Friday 1:00pm - 2:30pm.

NORTHSIDE DISTRICT

C07 HELP WITH COMPUTERS AND MOBILE DEVICES Face-to-face class

Tutor: Keith Catts

Do you have a computer or mobile device? Do you have questions? This class offers a workshop approach to help. Beginning with a Q&A each session, we will look at topics nominated by the class. Topics can range across the use of these technologies. If we don't have the answer, then research methods can be used to find it. Class members to bring their own device, laptop, mobile phone and/or tablet.

Chermside Library, Monday 10:00am - 11:30am. Class starts 3 February.

P08 DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY - BEYOND POINT-AND-SHOOT Face-to-face class

Tutor: Peter Hardie

Want to move beyond full auto point-and-shoot? Become a better photographer by learning your camera's creative settings and how best to use them to improve your images. Cameras must be either DSLR or mirrorless with interchangeable lenses or advanced bridge cameras with fixed lenses. Please provide camera details (make and model) when enrolling to ensure your camera is suitable. Email camera details to pshardie@gmail.com Cost of course: FREE Grange Library, Monday 12:30pm - 2:30pm. Class starts 3 February.

B29 INTRODUCTION TO LAWN BOWLS Face-to-face class

Tutor: Diane MacDonald

Try for four weeks (\$10.00 per session) with accredited coaches (Di, Errol and Jill) in a friendly and supportive environment. Lawn bowls is a low-impact, therapeutic exercise that can improve fitness, coordination and confidence. Use of club bowls or bring your own during the course. Bowling arms are available if needed. Barefoot or flat shoes. Lovely all-weather covered green. Any questions, email: bowls@nsbc.com.au, or phone Paula or Jordan on 3359 2142 or Di MacDonald (coach) 0419 564 870. Coffee Shop The Pavlovian Response open before and after classes.

Northern Suburbs Bowls Club - Wavell Hts, Tuesday 9:30am - 11:00am. 4 weeks. Class starts 4 February. Cost: \$10 (per class).

S01 ELECTRIC VEHICLES 101 Face-to-face class

Tutor: Phil Browne

Learn everything that the tutor wishes he had known before buying an EV. Topics include - characteristics of EVs; how to charge your EV, including from home solar; plug types and cables; improved battery tech; regenerative braking; cost to buy an EV (some less than \$35,000 drive-away); costs to run and service; what to consider when buying; powering appliances, your home or the electricity grid from your EV; how to locate chargers on road trips; where to find accurate information about EVs; plus view some EVs charging & talk to EV owners. This stand-alone class will be repeated approximately two-monthly. Future dates to be confirmed Gasworks Plaza Shopping Centre, Tuesday 10:30am - 12:30pm. One week only.

B15 CROQUET FOR BEGINNERS Face-to-face class

Tutor: Hedi Trask

Come and try for three weeks [\$10.00 per session for use of venue]. You will need a sunhat and flat shoes. If you like the game and wish to continue, we can arrange lessons with an accredited coach at \$10.00 per lesson.

Toombul Croquet Club, Wednesday 8:00am - 9:00am. 3 weeks. Cost: \$10 (per class).

B48 CROQUET FOR BEGINNERS Face-to-face class

Tutor: Gail Sloane

Want to socialise, meet new people and play a fun and challenging game, then come along to the Windsor Croquet Club. We are holding 1 hour lessons at 11:00 am commencing Wednesday, 2 October for four weeks. The cost is \$10 per lesson. All equipment is provided and there is ample parking at the club. Just bring a hat, sunscreen and a water bottle. If you decide that croquet is the game for you, you can continue to play on our club days which are Wednesday and Saturday at 12 noon, and Thursday at 3:00 pm. You will continue to receive coaching, and the cost for attending club days is \$15.

Windsor Croquet Club, Wednesday 11:00am - 12:00pm. 4 weeks. Class starts 5 February. Cost: \$10 (per class) - Cost paid to club for tuition.

E15 WHAT IS SOCIAL JUSTICE - WHY DO WE NEED IT MORE THAN EVER? Face-to-face class *NEW*

Tutor: Lawrence di Bartolo

Currently many developed nations, including Australia, are experiencing a growing sense of dissatisfaction in democratic institutions meeting citizens' needs. Note for example the rise of Trump in the USA. John Rawls developed a theory of government based on democratic ideals underlain by what he termed 'Social' Justice - As Fairness. However, the Rawlsian concept of social justice has not translated into reality. Some theorists state 'Rawls simply asks too much of us'. This course will explain Rawls's famous theory in everyday language so that you may be able to decide if he does indeed ask too much of us.

Grange Library, Wednesday 12:30pm - 2:30pm. 8 weeks.

A83 ART - CREATIVE PORTRAITURE Face-to-face class

Tutor: Carol Owens

Our group has developed into a strong community of practice. We provide sessions focusing on creating portraits. This class is conducted via an email discussion group and twice a month Friday catch-ups in New Farm Park. We use the mediums of pencil and charcoal predominantly, and some have also begun to experiment with other mediums such as watercolour and acrylics. Students should hope to develop their ability to capture and produce proportionately accurate and realistic portraits.

New Farm Park, Friday 11:30am - 2:30pm. Weekly email discussion group and class 1st and 3rd Friday of month. Class starts 7 February.

B78 NORTHSIDE SUNDAY WALKING GROUP - EASY Face-to-face class

Tutor: Beverley Hay

On each Sunday, rain or shine, the group walks for one hour in a local park. Once a month a member leads the group going further afield to other parks or interesting walks, or an evening walk along the Sandgate foreshore. There is coffee time in a local cafe after the walk, and a ten-minute break if the walk is longer than an hour. Wear comfortable shoes and a sun hat. New members are welcome. A quarterly schedule with addresses is provided, with most walks beginning at Chermside Shopping Centre. The group communicates via WhatsApp.

Leader will advise location, Sunday 7:00am - 8:00am.

WESTSIDE DISTRICT

L05 BOOK DISCUSSION Face-to-face class

Tutor: Marie Scott

Designed to stimulate interest and enhance reading pleasure. Contact Convenor for the venue. Toowong, Tuesday 10:00am - 12:00pm. First Tuesday of the month. Class starts 4 February.

B51 HERSTORY ADVENTURE, ART AND SCIENCE Face-to-face class *NEW*

Tutor: Jill Don

In times past, societal roles and beliefs usually defined a woman's connection with plants. Through private networks, determination and persistence, many created new roles as travellers, collectors, artists, and scientists. We will travel through British India, the Amazon, Queensland's Brigalow Belt, the orchid fields of Victoria, and closer to home - our Botanic Gardens.

Mount Coot-tha Botanic Gardens, Friday 11:00am - 12:00pm. One week only. One-off guided walk. Class date 7 March.

X03 CINEMA GROUP Face-to-face class

Tutor: Carmel Holmes

Group viewing third Sunday each month. Please email, text or call (after 4pm) convenor to advise if attending.

Regal Cinema Graceville, Sunday 9:45am - 2:15pm. 3rd Sunday in the month. Class starts 16 February.

WYNNUM DISTRICT

Y05 PHILOSOPHY ANCIENT AND MODERN Face-to-face class

Tutor: David Anderson

In this class we discuss the ongoing relevance of philosophy and ideas from the ancient Greeks to the 21st century.

Wynnum Library, Monday 1:00pm - 3:00pm. Class starts 3 February.

X25 ARCHITECTURE AND URBAN DESIGN Face-to-face class

Tutor: Jennifer Bopp

What is architecture and what is urban design, and what do they have in common? The answer is design and the built environment. In urban areas the built environment surrounds us, but what is known about its form, and could it be understood and improved by applying urban design principles to existing places, and to proposed new development areas? In this course many concepts will be discussed with illustrated presentations to offer insights into the built environment and the historic, cultural, technological and aesthetic ideas that influence its form, including styles of architecture, the influence of climate, and sustainability.

Wynnum Library, Wednesday 12:00pm - 1:30pm.

F49 MAHJONG - CHINESE Face-to-face class

Tutor: Margaret Amos For enquiries please contact Margaret Amos 0419 710 866. Fielders Community Centre, Wednesday 12:30pm - 3:30pm.

B25 GOLF CROQUET FOR BEGINNERS Face-to-face class

Tutor: Aina Johns

Golf croquet is the fastest growing version of croquet. It is gentle on your body and easy to learn and play. Qualified club coaches will ensure you are able to play the game with confidence. The \$40 up-front fee covers four weeks of coaching, use of equipment and afternoon tea. You will need flat-soled shoes and a broad brimmed hat.

Wynnum Croquet Club, Thursday 1:00pm - 2:30pm. Cost: \$10 (per class) - Includes equipment & coaching.

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