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Join us for a fun and educational lecture series, highlighting unique facets of Jewish Life!

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Jewish Museum of Florida

301 Washington Avenue, Miami Beach



Jewish Museum of Florida- FIU



2nd Tuesday of each month (Sept-May)



1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Please note: Parking is limited, first come first serve in museum lot, metered street parking is available.

Celebrate the richness of Jewish life and history with OLLI at FIU



SEPTEMBER 12

Levi Strauss, the Gold Rush, and the World's most famous pants!

Everybody loves them, everybody wears them: Jeans are no doubt an iconic garment and they tell the legendary story of the American West. Join OLLI Director Anette Isaacs for a fascinating journey into the days of the Gold Rush and learn about Levi Strauss and his amazing life!



OCTOBER 10

Anafim y Sucurcales: The Branches of Sephardic Judaism in Latin America

Join Sylvia Gurinsky for a look at how Sephardic Jews have established traditions of community, language, food and heritage in Latin America, but have also faced challenges in preserving them - challenges that have brought many to South Florida.



NOVEMBER 14

Jewish Pirates? Oy Vey!

Discover the captivating and lesser-known history of Jewish pirates spanning over two millennia. These remarkable tales, told by Prof. Sam Edelman, reveal the adventurous spirit and resilience of Jewish individuals navigating the high seas from the Hasmonean period to the American revolution and beyond.



DECEMBER 12

Jewish Life in the Caribbean

Unearth the Caribbean's ancient Jewish legacy on a picturesque 36-square-mile island, where Jews once thrived, comprising a remarkable 25% of its population. Witness the island's compassionate spirit, welcoming Jewish refugees escaping Europe in 1938. Leah Polin's captivating lecture will delve into the beauty and resilience of this extraordinary Caribbean tale.

Prices are: \$15 for each individual lecture/OLLI members: \$12 per lecture /Best offer: Get the entire series for just \$99! / Snowbird Special: Get 5 lectures for \$60!

Getting the entire series (\$99) comes with TWO terrific bonus virtual programs: Becoming an American: the History of Ellis Island (9/27, 6 p.m.) and Curry & Kreplach: a look at unique Jewish Communities around the World (10/25, 6 p.m.)! Sign up now and save!

JANUARY 9



But They Were Good to Their Mothers: Jewish Gangsters in America

Helene Herman addresses a seldom-covered aspect of the darker side of the immigrant experience, delving into the rise and fall of Jewish gangsters who dominated crime from the 1920s until the end of WWII.



FEBRUARY 13

Great Jews In Music: Surprises and Treasures from the Medieval to The Moderns

Delve into the extraordinary careers of classical and popular musicians and composers who achieved greatness through their artistry, independent of their Jewish identity. Dr. Alan Mason tells their captivating stories, showcasing the timeless power of talent and passion in music.



MARCH 12

From Diaspora to Global Adoption: The Surprising Appeal of Judaism

Prof. Tudor Parfitt delves into the overlooked phenomenon of hundreds of millions of people worldwide adopting Judaism. Explore the potential implications this unprecedented trend may have on Judaism's evolution and the broader Jewish community.



APRIL 9

Nazi Hunter Fritz Bauer - a Heroic Story!

Join OLLI Director Anette Isaacs as she pays homage to Fritz Bauer, a true hero who confronted post-war German society with its guilt -and denial thereof- by almost single-handedly initiating the Auschwitz Trials of the 1960s.



MAY 7

Germany & Israel: an unlikely Friendship

In 1965, Germany and Israel embarked on the challenging path of establishing diplomatic relations. OLLI Director Anette Isaacs recounts the steps taken during this delicate but vital process, which eventually paved the way for a new and promising era in German-Israeli relations.