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Japanese-American internment focus of OLLI course at LLLC

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Starting Sept. 26, John Tateishi will be teaching a course at the Lafayette Library and Learning Center on the internment of Japanese Americans during World War II, their campaign for redress, and the present-day implications of this part of American history.

Tateishi was interned as a young child with his family. As an adult, he led the campaign to seek redress for Japanese Americans interned during WWII; this campaign culminated in 1988 with an apology from the President and Congress as well as financial redress for internees, many of whom lost homes and businesses. As executive director of the Japanese American Citizens League, Tateishi was a valued voice in discussions of the treatment of Muslim communities in the wake of 9/11.

The course is offered by UC Berkeley's Osher Lifelong Learning Institute and is open to anyone over 50. More information is available at olli.berkeley.edu/courses.

Additional OLLI Courses in Lafayette

New courses from UC Berkeley's Osher Lifelong Learning Institute begin Sept. 28 at Lafayette Library and Learning Center:

"Documentary Touchstones 2" surveys documentaries of lasting power and influence. Taught by film critic Michael Fox. Thursdays from 10 a.m. to noon.

"A Living Shakespeare" looks at Shakespeare the man and his explorations of the human psyche. Taught by dramaturg and author Philippa Kelly. Thursdays from 1 to 3 p.m.

To register, visit https://olli.berkeley.edu/ courses or call (510) 642-9934.

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