

FALL PROGRAMS

at the CHRISTIAN STUDY CENTER OF GAINESVILLE — 2026

FALL OPEN HOUSE

“REFUGIA OF THE SOUL: SHELTER AND RENEWAL FOR THE HUMAN SPIRIT IN UNSETTLED TIMES”

Lecture by Executive Director, Mike Sacasas

Thursday, August 27 | Reception begins at 7:00 PM with a programs showcase and lecture to follow

The location for all events will be the Christian Study Center

DIRECTOR'S CLASS

YOU ARE NOT A MACHINE: THE PRACTICE OF SOULCRAFT IN A CULTURE OF SELF-OPTIMIZATION

Wednesdays, Sep. 2 – Nov. 11
11:45 AM – 12:35 PM
Taught by Mike Sacasas

FAITH IN THE ACADEMY | FACULTY Q&A

Dr. Ana Siljak | Humanities
Wednesday, Sep. 30
11:45 AM – 12:35 PM
Moderated by Joshua Perlin

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Dr. Tony Ladd | Chemical Engineering
Wednesday, Nov. 4
11:45 AM – 12:35 PM
Moderated by Joshua Perlin

SHORT COURSES

TOPICS IN BIBLICAL STUDIES

“Biblical Interpretation: Principles for Understanding God’s Word”
Thursdays, Oct. 15 - Nov. 12
12:50 PM – 1:40 PM
Taught by Kevin Nelson, MDiv

LECTURES

STARTING SMALL: PERSONALISM AND THE REVIVAL OF HUMANISM

Monday, Oct. 5 | 7:00 PM
Lecturer: Dr. Ana Siljak

MY SOUL DOTH MAGNIFY THE LORD: THE LIFE OF MARY IN THE NEW TESTAMENT

Friday, Oct. 23 | 7:00 PM
Lecturer: Dr. Amy Peeler

Sponsored by the Chapel of the Incarnation

MYSTICS AT THE MUSEUM: ART HISTORY FOR CHRISTIAN CONTEMPLATION

Thursday, Nov. 12 | 7:00 PM
Lecturer: Dr. Matthew Milliner

READING GROUPS

THE MOVIEGOER

By Walker Percy
Tuesdays, Sep. 8 – Sep. 29
3:00 PM – 3:50 PM
Facilitated by Dr. Kevin Bird

MOTHER OF THE LAMB

By Matthew Milliner
Mondays, Oct. 5 – Oct. 26
12:50 PM – 1:40 PM
Facilitated by Dr. Ethan Williamson

BEING AND THE BETWEEN

By William Desmond
Wednesdays, Sep. 2 – Dec. 2
4:05 PM – 4:55 PM
Facilitated by Joshua Perlin

THE BERRY HARVEST

Select Essays by Wendell Berry
Fridays, Oct. 2, 16 and 30
8:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Facilitated by Nick Dunn (on Zoom)
For UF Alumni

READING POP-UPS

OUT OF THE SILENT PLANET

By C. S. Lewis
Thursday, Sep. 24 | 7:00 PM
Facilitated by John Mark Vondruska

PERELANDRA

By C. S. Lewis
Thursday, Nov. 5 | 7:00 PM
Facilitated by John Mark Vondruska

CONVIVIAM

WHY READ?

Dinner and Conversation Around Questions That Matter
Thursday, Sep. 10 | 7:00 PM
Facilitated by: Mike Sacasas & Joshua Perlin

FAITH AND THE ARTS

ART EXHIBITION

“Consider the Sparrows”
Friday, Aug. 28 | 7:00 PM
Artist: Isabel Crist Covey

ADVENT CONCERT

Tuesday, Dec. 1 | 7:00 PM
Performer: Chris Hiatt

FAITH & VOCATION

MENTAL HEALTH AS A CHRISTIAN VOCATION

Mondays, Sep. 14, 21, and 28
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Facilitated by Dr. Ernesto Escoto & Dr. Deborah Smith

LAW AS A CHRISTIAN VOCATION

Sundays, Sep. 27, Oct. 25, Jan. 31, and Feb. 28
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Facilitated by Chris Hampson, JD, MTS

FELLOWS PROGRAMS

BARISTA FELLOWS

Facilitated by Sycora Perlin

WALKER PERCY FELLOWS

Facilitated by Joshua Perlin & John Mark Vondruska

FACULTY FELLOWS

Facilitated by Joshua Perlin

WEEKLY RHYTHMS

NOONTIME PRAYER: PRAYING THE PSALTER
Every M, T, Th, & F, Aug. 31 - Dec. 2 | 12:00 PM - 12:15 PM