

Abramovits, Emanuel

Concerts promoter since 2000, presenting dozens of shows by international artists, from Pop ones, like Journey, Megadeth and Backstreet Boys, to Classical ones, like Itzhak Perlman, staging along the way epic orchestral extravaganzas and winning a prestigious "Event of the Year" award. While directing the cultural activities of UNION ISRAELITA DE CARACAS for eleven years, Mr. Abramovits released books, organized lectures and art exhibits.

Ahuja, Nutan

Nutan Ahuja, a former Professor of Biomedical engineering, has been a Reiki, wellness and energy healing practitioner and instructor for more than 15 years. She is Emory certified Health certified and also Certified teacher in Ikebana – a Japanese healing art of flower arrangements – from Sogetsu school in Tokyo, Japan. In her practice, she combines her unique scientific perspective with her expertise in various philosophies of spiritual wellness to foster positivity and holistic healing of the body, mind and heart in an evidence-based manner.

Barnard, Susan Kessler

Susan Kessler Barnard is an Atlanta native, a mother of three sons, a grandmother and a great-grandmother. She has been a longtime community activist particularly in the field of developmentally disabled children. In 1983 she received the Atlanta Association for Retarded Citizens' Mary Lee Brookshire Award for her work of establishing Arbor Academy of Special Education and The Havanah Sunday School program. She has authored four books: *Dreams Die Hard*, *Family Histories of Adults with Developmental Disabilities As Told by Families and Caregivers*; *Arcadia's Images of America: Buckhead*; *Buckhead, A Place for All Time*; and *This is the Church Being the Church, A History of Atlanta's First Presbyterian Church*, written with Dr. Harry A. Fifield. She has also been a columnist for several local newspapers. She and Grace M. Schwartzman have articles on the Creek (Muscogee) Indians in the University of Georgia's *The Georgia Historical Quarterly*. Ms. Barnard was a surgical assistant for 25 years and then a library assistant at the Atlanta History Center. She was on the Buckhead Library board, is a member of the Greater Atlanta Archaeological Society and The Atlanta History Center. She attends and teaches courses at Emory University's Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) and she is a docent at The Breman Jewish Heritage Museum's Holocaust exhibit.

Bayne, John

A Tennessee native and Clemson graduate, John Bayne is retired from a 36-year career as a mathematician in the telecommunications industry. His interests include opera, book collecting, and cemetery studies. For more than 10 years he presented on cemetery topics at the annual national conferences of the American Culture Association, and he has written three books about cemeteries and tombstones.

Bernat, Robin

Robin Bernat is an artist and writer, and, since 2010, the owner and curator of Poem 88 gallery in Atlanta, Georgia. Her work has been exhibited locally, regionally, and nationally and has been collected by many important institutions including The Whitney Museum of American Art, The Kemper Museum

of Art, the Library of the Art Institute of Chicago, The High Museum of Art, MOCA-GA, and The Weatherspoon Museum. Working primarily in film and video, Bernat's work explores the fleeting and the provisional. She is represented locally by Whitespace gallery.

In her professional life, Bernat has worked as an interior designer and lifestyle consultant, special events planner and fundraiser, personal chef, book designer and publisher, through the aegis of Bernat Creative, a full-service design and media production company. In addition, she has had speaking engagements on collecting practices for young collectors, professional practices for emerging artists, on books arts and publishing, and community engagement strategies, in Atlanta and the southeast.

From 1992-2001, she was the proprietor of Circle B Press, a cooperative printmaking studio and publisher. From 2000-2005, Bernat was an instructor in the Atlanta Film Festival (formerly IMAGE Film and Video) Media program teaching filmmaking to under-served teens, and facilitating a discussion group on films of the avant-garde. From 2004-2006, she was the Manager of Youth and Family programs at the Michael C. Carlos Museum at Emory University creating educational programs, workshops, and publications focused on the museum's collections of antiquities.

She is a graduate of The University of Georgia and The Atlanta College of Art. In 1988-89, she completed coursework toward an MA in Art History at Emory University; in 2001, she was a Visiting Artist at the American Academy in Rome. She has twice been an artist-in-residence at the Kemper Museum of Art.

Brisotto, Alessandra

Alessandra Brisotto was born and raised in Prato, close to Florence, Italy.

After completing her studies, she worked for a travel agency for 10 years. She then moved to Bergamo, 25 miles east of Milan, where she worked for a travel agency and an airline company, before moving to the United States with her husband Paolo.

She lived in Tampa Bay, Florida, for 10 years, and moved to Alpharetta in 2010. After working for Italiano Language Center in Sandy Springs, she joined OLLI at Emory in 2019, where she teaches Italian beginner and intermediate both in person and online. She is also teaching at Central Dekalb Senior Center in Decatur, as well as giving Italian lessons to private students of different levels.

Alessandra has two children, 23-year-old Marta and 18-year-old Pietro, both bilingual. She spends every summer with them visiting the family in Italy. She loves cats (she has two), playing tennis with her husband, and reading novels.

Brown, John

John Brown is the founder and principal of StoryWorks, an Atlanta-based content and brand development cooperative. He is a passionate marketer who believes that people, companies and organizations need great writing in order to succeed. John began his career at Turner Broadcasting in Atlanta, working on the Turner Sports and CNN brands. He started StoryWorks 10 years ago on the premise that all brands need good stories to tell and, in today's multi-media worlds, all good stories start with good writing. He's a passionate cyclist and can fry some pretty mean chicken!

Burgamy, Calvin

A visual artist-photography and video-and technology consultant. I've had my photographs and videos shown at the Piedmont Arts Festival, Columbus State University, Georgia State University, Agnes Scott College, Eyedrum Gallery, Youngblood Galleries, as well the Gallery of Craven Ideals (just kidding). I currently teach art classes at Georgia State University and have also taught at Agnes Scott College. I have an MFA in Studio Art (photography/video) and a BA in Film Studies from Georgia State University.

Campos, Peter

I was trained as a Clinical Psychologist and I owned a evaluation and statistical consulting company. I was formerly on faculty at Emory Medical School's Psychiatry Department and SUNY-Binghamton's Psychology Department and taught undergraduate and graduate level courses for almost 40 years. When not enjoying OLLI, I enjoy my retirement reading British and Roman history, tracing family roots, writing, and traveling.

Clark, Catharine

Catharine Clark, PhD-H, an expert in Nutritional Molecular Medicine (NMM), has taught Anti-inflammatory Diet classes at OLLI.

Catharine completed her fellowship in Nutrition Policy at DHHS' Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, is licensed and board certified, trained in Obesity Medicine at Harvard Medical, and completed numerous programs at the NIH including Obesity and Cancer Outcomes and Precision Nutrition.

Clarke, John

John Clarke is a OLLI member who previously taught a course titled "Water Wars" at OLLI. He retired in January 2014 after a 35-year career with the U.S. Geological Survey. As hydrologist and Assistant Director for Hydrologic Investigations, he authored or co-authored more than 50 papers on Georgia groundwater, and twice served as president of the Georgia Ground Water Association. John is originally from Long Island, NY and attended the State University of New York at Brockport. He is an avid history buff, with a focused interest on WWII history.

Cohen, Howard

Howard has 35 years of experience in the music industry. He taught music at the American School in Rio De Janeiro, managed the Rizzoli International Music company, and was owner of an International Records and Music company.

Converse, June

A native Atlantan, June Converse received her Bachelors degree in Business from Shorter College and then started her adult life in healthcare consulting. After receiving her teaching certification at Mercer University/Atlanta, she worked as an educator in both the public and private sector.

She retired from teaching in 2012 and started her writing career. A lifelong love of learning, she has spent untold hours studying the craft of novel writing. With her first and second novels finished,, she realized she missed the classroom. Using her new knowledge of the craft of writing, she developed a

class that seeks to prove that often the best novels are formulaic – that classroom theory does translate to real world application.

deMan, George

George is a published poet, essayist and sculptor - - and has taught all three as interactive courses. His career was in advertising, but his major accomplishments are in the area of cultural developments: A Founder of the Atlanta Botanical Garden, Co-chairman of Emory's MARBL Board, Pres. of Out of Hand Theater, and Friends of Emory Forests. He lives near Emory where he has solo maintenance of several acres of pristine forest, travels widely, continues to publish, and is a Teaching Consultant for Emory.

Drake, Robert

Robert Drake has 25 years of experience producing, stage managing, performing in, and directing shows. He has served as Artistic Director of two major Georgia theatres, as Production Manager for two different radio theatre companies, and has experience as a Creative Director. Robert is an Instructor at Emory University's Osher Life Long Learning Program, teaching semiotics and theatre. He has also been a guest instructor at Decatur High School, DeKalb School of the Arts, and the Good Acting Studio. He has taught improvisation for more than a decade at various locations and has taught philosophy and semiotics at various institutions. He also has taught sound and lighting design in workshops at various locations. Philosophically, he believes that the tools of improvisation can strengthen a performing and production environment and they enhance the tools he has developed through his experience. He teaches students to be prepared, honest, and more importantly, to be eager. Developing a skilled curiosity is essential to helping young people grow into happy, productive adults.

Drue, Abby

Abby is a seasoned facilitator and cognitive behavioral development coach. Her career in social justice spans over four decades of achievement and experience. She has a respected understanding of community relations, conflict resolution and social outreach programs. A gifted educator and lecturer, Abby was named by the Anti-Defamation League as "Woman of Achievement" for her work in the full spectrum of human rights issues. As Executive Director of the Ben Marion Institute, Abby often finds herself in national and international arenas of social justice activity.

Fletcher, Bill

Bill taught German at Emory for five years, was involved in Atlanta city planning and neighborhood activism, then pursued a successful career as a cabinet maker for thirty years. For the past decade, he has been an enthusiastic student of Islamic art and literature and has taught six OLLI courses in this field.

Flinchum, Gerald W.

OLLI History instructor since 2017-teach up to 10 courses on rotating basis.

Gelinas, Timothy

Tim is a graduate of UGA. Tim Gelinas is a former ordained campus minister at The University of Georgia. Tim and his wife Rachael have spent a total of over 25 weeks during 12 different trips to Israel. During these trips they have become friends with many influential people in the archaeological community who have provided the experiences Tim will be sharing with you during this class.

Giannasca, Antonella

Antonella was born and raised in Rome, Italy where she lived until 1998. She has a degree in Interpretation and Translation in English and French and worked in the field for many years. Before coming to the United States, she experienced the joy of being a tour guide for American groups in Italy and Europe as well as being an English teacher for Italian children. Since she moved to the States, she has enjoyed sharing the love for her country and for her beautiful language with the students she has met over the last 8 years. It is an incredible experience to see how they have grown in their knowledge of the Italian language and culture with the same passion and devotion that she puts into all her classes.

Gillon, Clive

Clive Gillon is a citizen of 3 countries and has worked in the IT and Communications industries for almost 5 decades. He has 20+ years of technical, marketing and management experience in each of the USA and Canada. His formal teaching experience covers a wide range of topics including sales techniques, operating systems and hockey. Courses taught at OLLI are Canada-Sorry Eh?, Evolution 101 and A Brief History of Britain. Clive has a B.Math degree from the U. of Waterloo in Ontario, Canada.

Griner, Rachel

Rachel Griner is a fellow OLLI student. She is passionate about the civic role of the arts and art as a tool for public discourse. She also loves art for art's sake - ask her about the first time she stood slack-jawed in front of a Kehinde Wiley portrait in the lobby of a 21c hotel in Cincinnati, Ohio. Rachel is an entrepreneur who left the corporate world as a Director of Venture Capital in Dubai. She's served on the board of arts organizations, was an executive on loan to a museum and has led Design Thinking workshops for 15 years. This will not be a sit-and-listen course - you will be creating, exploring, designing and discussing.

Harbour, Steven

Steven received his law degree from Columbia University, served as law clerk to the Honorable Lewis R. Morgan, United States Circuit Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, practiced law for over 30 year, was an adjunct professor of business law at Kennesaw State University, and currently is Of Counsel to the law firm of Anderson Dailey LLP in Atlanta.

Kaplan, Morris

Following a distinguished career in nursing home and dementia care, Morris Kaplan, also an attorney, spends his retirement providing pro bono legal representation to victims of domestic abuse. He also teaches introductory Spanish by Zoom to OLLI programs at Stony Brook University, Emory University, Duke University, George Mason University and Johns Hopkins University. Mr. Kaplan is fluent in Spanish and nearly fluent in Korean.

Lee, Georgia

Georgia Lee is an award winning journalist, editor, writer and teacher. She was the first Director of Ivy Hall, the SCAD Atlanta Writing Center, from 2009 through April 2014. Prior to that, she was, for 20 years, the Southeast Bureau Chief for Women's Wear Daily and W magazine, where she won the Atrium Award for Business Reporting from the Henry Grady School Journalism at UGA and the DIVA Award for Fashion Business Journalism from the Atlanta Apparel Mart. She has contributed news and features and book reviews to numerous national and local publications. She was a finalist in Glimmer Train's 2012 New Author contest. Her short stories have appeared in literary magazines, blogs and anthologies. She is the author of GEORGIA – on my mind – a collection of essays and photographs, soon to be published, by Balboa Press. She taught at OLLI from 2016 – 2020, both an in-depth class on Memoir and advanced Memoir, as well as Meet the Authors, introducing a wide range of novelists, memoirists and poets to OLLI. She holds writing workshops for small groups and works with private clients on all aspects of writing, from conception to content to publishing. Recently, she has written essays for Gaia online and contributed videos and webinars for the Author Learning Center, a division of Hay House publications. She moderates multiple author panels at the Decatur Book Festival, among many literary events and has judged statewide fiction writing contests, including the Townsend Award for Fiction by Georgia authors. In 2009, she launched The Ivy Hall Writers Series, featuring authors such as Margaret Atwood, Richard Ford, the late Elmore Leonard, Augusten Burroughs and Bret Easton Ellis. She established SCAD's Writer-in-Residency program and held community events with national and local authors. She served as vice president of programming and community outreach for the Atlanta Writers Club from 2014 – 2017 and was named a "most versatile blogger" award by Word Press in 2017. She is at work on From a Good Family, a historical fiction novel, based on the true story of the murder of a civil rights worker in Lowndes County, Ala. in 1965, involving her ancestors. A certified yoga, fitness, music and dance instructor, she teaches at two Atlanta gyms, in her home studio and on Zoom. She won the Sr. America Ms. Alabama contest in 2018 and competed in Atlantic City, N.J., for Ms. America Sr. America. As such, she works in service with philanthropic causes in Alabama. A native Atlantan, she also owns land in Alabama.

Lilly, John

John's an Emory graduate (BA Physics 1967), a 22 year Air Force veteran, and has taught Air Force officers electronic warfare. He retired from Learning Services at AT&T in early 2014, where he developed and managed technical training. John is currently an instructor for BH Technology Group, helping seniors become comfortable with the iPhone and iPad.

May, Dan

Dan May is a former college biology professor and epidemiologist at CDC.

McDavid, Michael

Michael McDavid has been interested in history since the second grade. Over the years his primary focus settled on European history, although if it happened in the past it was of potential interest. Michael majored in history as an undergrad at Furman University, then received masters degrees in European history and library science from Emory University. To earn money he was a library manager at Equifax Inc and Georgia State University. During this same time to satisfy his historical itch Michael taught history at Georgia Perimeter College as an adjunct faculty member. Now after retiring from the Boston Consulting Group, he is privileged to offer courses at OLLI on favorite topics such 19th century Europe and his favorite “sub-specialty”, the role of monarchy past and present.

McKay, Marilynne

Dr. Marilynne McKay came to Atlanta in 1980 as Chief of the Dermatology Service at Grady Memorial Hospital. She won many teaching awards and after retirement enrolled in a Master’s program in Theater Studies. Since 2011 she has been a judge for the Suzi Bass Awards (Atlanta’s Tonys). She’s been active in the Sherlock Holmes literary community for many years and has published on the medical education of the various doctors in the Sherlock Holmes Canon. Dr McKay is frequently seen at Emeritus Colloquiums and Symposia, where she presented “White People and the Myth of Race” and two lectures on Confederate monuments.

Mengert, Jim

Jim has an AB from Princeton University; a Ph.D. from Yale University; and was Teacher of the Year at University of Mississippi. Jim served as the Vice-President for Speakeasy Inc. He has authored articles in scholarly journals on the poetry of John Milton and co-authored books on effective communication with Sandy Linver (published by Simon & Schuster).

Miklosovic, Caroline

I have taught several classes with Olli on Roman Life, Literature, and History as well as Greek Drama. I have taught Latin I-V, AP Latin, AP English, Humanities, and World Religions. The historical background is essential to the study of any literature. I use many analogies between the Greek and Roman cultures and life in our world today. I have taught the literature of Homer, Aeschylus, Sophocles, Euripides, Livy, Cicero, Catullus, Plautus, Ovid, Pliny, Lucretius, Horace, Virgil, et. al. My advance studies include The University of Texas, University of Florida, University of Michigan Ann Arbor, University of Massachusetts Amherst, and University of Miami Ohio. I have studied Classics for most of my life. I have presented numerous papers for the American Classical League Institute and was the Teacher of the Year for the Classical Association of Georgia, Foreign Language Association of International Rapport, Foreign Language Association of Georgia, and Southern Conference of Language Teachers..

Milner, Virginia

Virginia Milner discovered the joy of designing jewelry at a young age. She graduated from Holy Family University with a degree in Management-Marketing and has been teaching jewelry making for over 14 years. One of her passions is sharing her knowledge of reconstructing and upscaling vintage jewelry and creating modern culturally inspired statement pieces made with recycled beads and components from around the world.

Milsteen, Jeff

Jeff has been an avid photographic enthusiast for over 30 years. He is a past president and five-time Photographer of the Year of the Southeastern Photographic Society. His work has been featured in a number of publications and exhibitions, most recently in a solo exhibition at the Callanwolde Fine Arts Center entitled "Shuttered: The Art of Abandoned Places." His work can be seen online at www.milsteen.smugmug.com. Jeff received a B.A. from Johns Hopkins University and a J.D. from Emory University. Prior to his retirement, he served for 19 years as Chief Deputy Attorney General of Georgia.

Morris, Everett

Everett earned his BS, MBA, and JD all at Georgia State University. He runs Morris Legal and Tax LLC, which focuses primarily on tax and estate law. Everett is registered with the IRS as a tax preparer, is admitted to practice before the Superior Court of Georgia, the Georgia Court of Appeals, the Supreme Court of Georgia, and the United States Tax Court. Everett serves on the boards of the Mortmain, and the Phillip C. Cook Low-Income Taxpayer Clinic.

Parks, Bert

Bert Parks has lived in Atlanta most of his life. He participated in the Civil Rights Movement in Atlanta in the 1960's and 70's, working closely with Howard Zinn. He received his MA from Georgia State University. He did his PhD dissertation at NYU on Saul Bellow. He has taught literature, film, and screen writing at Georgia State, NYU and Morehouse. He sold an original screen play to the actor Stuart Whitman, a Deliverance type adventure film taking place in South Georgia. He also owned Atlanta Trailer City, with 1000 tenants, for 18 years. He has taught over 30 different classes at OLLI at Emory since 2007.

Parks, Jill

Jill Fein Parks was born and raised in San Francisco, California. She holds a BA degree in Sociology from the University of California, Berkeley and did graduate work in education at the University of Arizona and Arizona State University. She taught in the public schools for several years in Rhode Island, Arizona, and Florida. She left teaching to become the first female switchman for the Southern Pacific Railroad in Salt Lake City in the early 1990's.

Pincus, Judy

Smith College BA; Simmons School of Library Science, Masters in Library Science; 22 years teaching high School English at Longmeadow High School, Longmeadow, Ma.; Reader of AP English Literature Exam for ETS for seven years; Summer course in Shakespeare at Oxford University; professional book reviewer for 10 years in communities in Palm Beach County

Robkin, Shai

Shai (pronounced "Shy") Robkin works with small and mid-size business executives to leverage the power of behavioral economics. He also leads discussion groups on popular topics in social psychology. A serial entrepreneur, Shai, together with his wife Judy, opened in 1981 Israel's first combination bookstore/coffee shop. They returned to Atlanta in 1984 to care for aging parents, using the proceeds from the sale of the Israeli store to acquire Vernon, a manufacturer and distributor of library products. Vernon's technology division was sold in 2011 to One Equity Partners, a division of JP Morgan, and its supply division was sold to an out-of-state competitor in 2019.

Rozzi, James

James Rozzi is a saxophonist, bandleader, and published jazz journalist. He is a retired public school band director (30 years). His feature articles and reviews on jazz have appeared in the Atlanta Journal-Constitution, DownBeat, Jazziz, Wired, Coda, Creative Loafing, and Audio. His critically-acclaimed, 10-piece Tempest "Little Big Band" has performed throughout the southeast.

Rush, Steve

Graduated from Emory with a BS in Biology in 1973. Retired and moved back to Atlanta from Los Angeles about 4 years ago. Have been a volunteer with the Peace Education Program since then.

Shaffer, Michael K.

Shaffer works as a Civil War historian, instructor, lecturer, newspaper columnist, and author. He remains a member of the Society of Civil War Historians, Historians of the Civil War Western Theater, Georgia Association of Historians, and Georgia Writers Association.

Sinnott, Patricia

Patricia Sinnott is the retired Director of Pathway Tours. She is a seasoned traveler having led 25 tours since 1998. Destinations have included Ireland, England, France, Greece, Italy, Spain, Thailand and several US locations including a literary tour to the homes of American women authors. She enjoys sharing her love of history, literature, culture and art. She lived in Paris for three months and in London for six, testing her query of whether she could ever get enough of either beloved city.

As an art enthusiast, and world traveler, Trisha has personally experienced that a well-planned and intentional journey can encourage individual growth and provide an expanded worldview. Inspired by Edith Wharton, she regards herself as an "incorrigible life-lover and life-wonderer and adventurer."

Soclof, Sidney

Dr. Sidney Soclof is Professor Emeritus at the California State University, Los Angeles, and has authored textbooks, and numerous eBooks on travel. He has expertise in history and geography and very extensive travel experience. He has extensive experience as a destination and general interest lecturer on cruise ships on oceans, lakes, and rivers on cruises all over the world, on almost 100 cruises, delivering around 300 destination and general interest lectures. He has lectured on a wide variety of topics at Road Scholar/Elderhostel, Osher Lifelong Learning Institutes, Senior Summer Schools, Rollins College, Chautauqua Institute, and The Villages Enrichment Academy.

Soper, Susan

Susan is a longtime journalist from Newsday in NY to CNN and the AJC where she was a senior editor overseeing all the features sections and writing coach. In addition to teaching now, I work with writers on developing their memoirs and edit other projects. Author/founder of The ObitKit and publisher of: Age is a Stage; Older? Wiser!; and If Not Now...When? Working on The Memoir Kit: Your Good Life, One Story at a Time.

Sumpter, Althea

Althea Sumpter is a researcher and scholar who uses her expertise as an ethnographer to document cultures and preserve the Southern story of the United States. With her native Gullah Geechee culture as a prototype collecting the oral histories of elders, she teaches ways to research the cultural history within a community, then how to use documentation technology to memorialize and preserve the stories of a community for future generations. She presents talks and workshops on documenting cultural history for others wanting to preserve stories in their own community or the cultural story of a family. Her research and work can be viewed at altheasumpter.com.

Technology, BH

BH Technology Group Instructors. The BH Tech Group is a fully incorporated 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization that provides technology education to older adults. The mission of the BH Tech Group is to improve the health and well being of older adults. We believe teaching seniors how to use today's technology promotes a more productive lifestyle by enabling connection, independence, and lifelong learning. By receiving hands-on workshops, BH Tech provides a safe learning environment on how to use technology, find information online, and stay both mentally alert and active.

Vollaro, Daniel

Dr. Daniel Vollaro is an associate professor of English at Georgia Gwinnett College, a writer, and a teacher of writing. He has published articles on Henry David Thoreau and was featured in a recent BBC Radio documentary titled the Battle for Henry David Thoreau. His creative nonfiction has been recently published in Adbusters, As it Ought to Be Magazine, Boomer Café, Litro, Michigan Quarterly Review, Missouri Review, Rise Up Review, and The Smart Set. He writes about literature, and popular culture, nature, environmentalism, and politics.

Weiss, David

David Weiss's background encompasses an unusual combination of qualifications from the world of business and the world of English literature. He has undergraduate degrees in accounting and English from the University of Pennsylvania, an MBA from the Wharton School, and a PhD in English from the University of Birmingham in the UK and the Shakespeare Institute in Stratford-Upon-Avon. He retired in his forties as the CFO of a company traded on the New York Stock Exchange to pursue his passion for Shakespeare studies. He now teaches English at Georgia Gwinnett College. David strives to share his enthusiasm for Shakespeare and English literature with others. He believes that the judgment and insights he took from Shakespeare's plays contributed more to his success than the technical skills he acquired from his accounting and finance classes. Plus, Shakespeare is a lot more fun!

David is a former chairman of the board of directors of The Atlanta Shakespeare Company and has had his scholarly work published in Huntington Library Quarterly. David is originally from New York but for the past three decades has lived in Atlanta, where he and his wife raised their family.

Zeldin, Cindy

I have been a psychotherapist, Life Coach for over 40 years. M.S> Degree from Long Island University, and certification in Marriage and Family Therapy. I have been a seminar speaker and motivational speaker for more than 150 programs dealing with communication, happiness, marriage, child custody and becoming the best person you can be. I am now a published children's book author, "Lily Tova The Therapy Dog", which addresses kindness and volunteering. Only receiving 5-star reviews. I have appeared on numerous tv shows as well as radio talk shows and have written numerous articles on stress and relationships. My hobbies include volunteering with Lily Tova all over the city of Atlanta. Love golf and lead several groups at The Temple where I also serve on the Board of Trustees.

Zins, Daniel

Dan received an MA in English from the University of Windsor (Ontario), where he studied with the novelist Joyce Carol Oates for two years, and a PhD in American Studies and literature and psychology from Emory University. He taught in the liberal arts department of the Atlanta College of Art for nearly three decades.