

May 2022 Board Highlights

School of Arts and Humanities

- **Dr. Joshua Harper**, Music Professor, traveled to Gilbert, AZ on March 29 to participate as one of three clinicians in the 2022 AzACDA (Arizona American Choral Director's Association) High School Choral Festival. This was an all-day festival where High School Choirs from around the state come for adjudication and a clinic. There was a total of eighteen choirs that joined the festival. **Dr. Harper** was one of three judges, with the other two judges Choral Music Faculty at University of Arizona and Mesa Community College. He had the opportunity to decide and provide feedback, and then clinic six of the choirs in individual, private sessions. It was a wonderful way to make connections with high school directors across the state and share all the many wonderful things going on in Choral Music at YC! **Dr. Harper** was privileged to be one of the judges and happy to represent YC at this statewide event.
- **Music Professors Dr. Joshua Harper** and **Chris Tenney**, accompanied by the YC Vocal Ensemble and YC Jazz Combo, traveled to the Canyon View High School in Prescott Valley for a performance and recruitment event. They met with the High School students in the band and music programs, along with their teachers. Both ensembles performed a few numbers and shared information with the students about Yavapai College and all we have to offer including the YC Promise Program, Scholarships and Curriculum. There were about 25 students in attendance, and they were very engaged and had some great questions. They especially loved the YC sunglasses!



On Friday, April 1st, the same ensembles travelled to Prescott High School to perform for over 50 students! They performed from both the instrumental and choral programs. This was especially nice as four of our student performers are Prescott High alumni. Having the opportunity to perform for your alma mater is always a treat. They had great conversations with students afterwards, including sharing scholarship opportunities for current high school students who wish to enroll in our ensembles before they graduate. Before the semester ends, they plan to visit Mingus Union High School, Basis Prep, Wickenburg High School, and Bradshaw Mountain High School.



- **Leanne Lawhead**, YC Faculty Emeritus, reports Flute Fest 2022 was an enormous success! There were 24 flutists (including 3 bass flutists, 3 alto flutes, C flutes and 3 piccolos). Of the 24 flutists, one was a middle school student, and one was a high school student. The remaining participants were adult players from our community. Milano's music brought flutes/accessories and 3 raffle prizes for the participants. Terry Bone from Bohn Flutes provided onsite flute repair, as well as alto and bass flutes to try! Participants completed a survey at the end of the afternoon, and there was interest in an on-going flute choir. **Leanne** received great feedback from the group on what Flute Fest 2023 might look like next year.



- The **Riders Read** program has selected next year's book, *The House in the Cerulean Sea* by TJ Klune, and invites the board members to read and join in the conversations.
- Psychology professor **Laraine Herring** attended the Tucson Book Festival, was an invited guest for Memoir-in-a-Year's monthly book club where she discussed her latest book, *A Constellation of Ghosts: A Speculative Memoir with Ravens*, and participated in an intensive 5-week program, *The Five Gates of Grief*, with Francis Weller through the Rowe Center.

Performing Arts Center (YCPAC)

- Film and Media Arts Department treated potential new Yavapai College Students to a "Test Drive."



- **Nanette Hofer**, Associate Professor of Musical Theater, directed an amazing series of 8 performances of *Chicago: The Musical*. Several different people came up to ask if we had flown in professional talent! A job well done by all!





Instructional Support

Fulfilling Student Technology Needs

During the pandemic Yavapai College library began supplying students with much needed Wi-Fi Hotspots to complete their courses from home. After seeing the library's infrastructure for material delivery through our partnership with the Yavapai Library Network, ITS decided to partner with the library to deliver laptops to students as well.

This service has only grown, with the library becoming the bridge between students and YC technology delivery. In addition to laptops, and Wi-Fi Hotspots, the library will now be responsible for distributing film equipment to YC's Film Studies students.



183 Laptop checkouts

92 Wi-Fi Hotspot checkouts



Lifelong Learning and Community Education

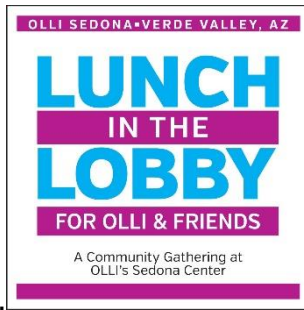
- **Spring Term 2022** – Classes conclude May 12. Summer Term begins at all locations in June.



- **Rebuilding OLLISV Together!** An event sponsored by the OLLI in Sedona/Verde Leadership Council brought together 40 key OLLI leaders, facilitators, and volunteers to discuss projects to help OLLI recover from the Pandemic. The meeting resulted in six projects ranging from a special speakers' program to recruit new residents to join OLLI.



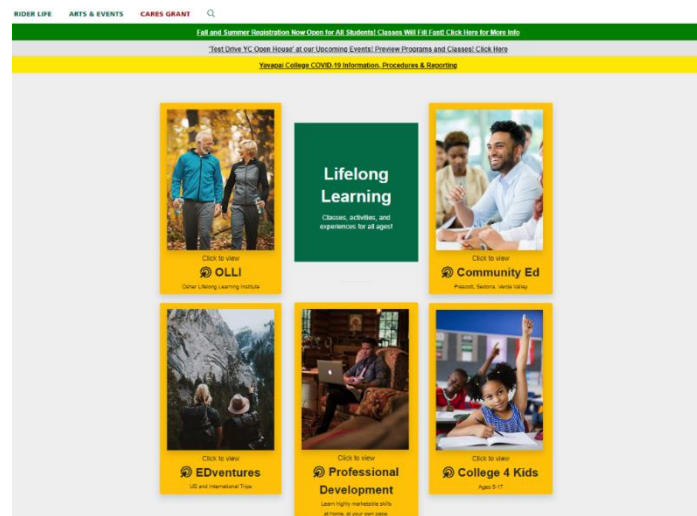
- **OLLI in Sedona: Lunch in the Lobby** - Offering classes on Wednesday and Friday at the Clarkdale Campus, featuring over ten classes, which is the largest number since the Pandemic.



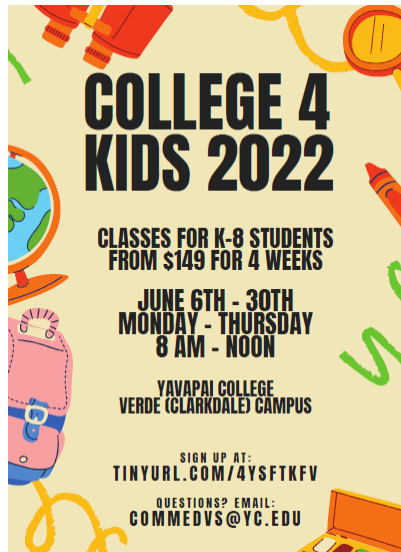
- **OLLI in Prescott** – Our Social Committee organized a visit to a local Alpaca Farm. It was an enormous success! The social connections developed through OLLI are as important as the learning.



- Lifelong Learning has a new suite of landing pages! With Head Web Designer **Jerry Zaryczny's** assistance in collaboration with Zachary Jernigan, Community Education in Verde/Sedona Coordinator, the DLL has redesigned its pages to be more user friendly and contemporary.



- **Community Education Verde-Sedona is hosting the Sedona Center Summer Wellness Series** of classes in June and July. Join us for classes at the Sedona Center on CBD/THC legalization and its impact on Arizona, Yoga FLOW, vegan artisan cheesemaking, Yoga Nidra meditation, and traditional tai chi.
- **College 4 Kids Verde** has opened for registration. We provide excellent K-8 student instruction from 8 am – noon, Monday – Thursday, June 6 – 30, on our Verde Campus. Partnering with Schools Districts.



- **Prescott College for Kids (C4K)** – Registration is open, and scholarships are available.
 - C4K scholarships are available through generous donations from the JW Kieckhefer Foundation and the Prescott Noon Lions Club.
 - \$4900 awarded as of 4/26/22.
 - 25 classes to choose from during June 6 – July 28 (Ages 5-17)
 - 51 students are currently enrolled.



- **Highlighted Workshop: *Filmmaker Bootcamp and Production Assistant Certificate*** for Ages 14+.
 - Monday-Saturday, June 20-25, 9 am – 5 pm and 6-9 pm.
 - Scholarships are available – apply today! www.yc.edu/collegforkids

**SUMMER FILMMAKER BOOTCAMP
AND
PRODUCTION ASSISTANT CERTIFICATION!**

June 20th-25th, 2022
Spend some time in the cool pines this summer!



CAMP COSTS:

Day Camp \$470 per person
(includes Lunch)
9am-5pm

Includes Production Assistant Certification
6pm-9pm

PRODUCTION ASSISTANT CERTIFICATION

Film/TV/Media Production jobs are coming to Arizona and those producers need Production Assistants! Each evening during the week, you will have Production Assistant training. If you pass the test at the end, you will be certified as a Production Assistant!

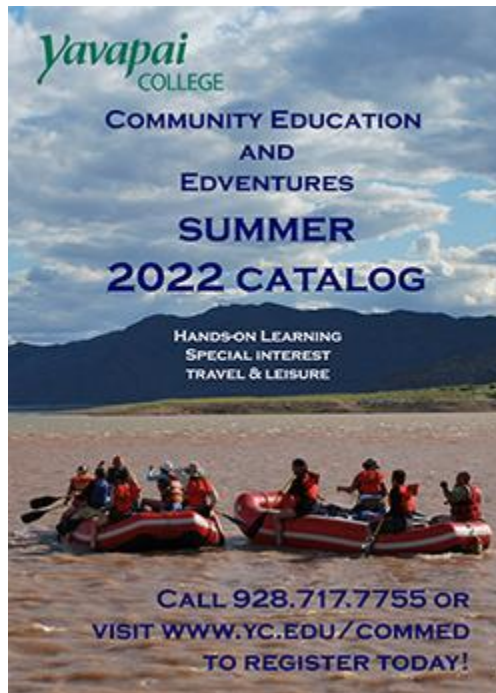
Shoot and edit a short film and screen it on the "big **FILMMAKERS** screen" in our 1,000 seat professional theatre; the Yavapai College performing Arts Center! Classes taught by professional filmmaker Christopher Sheets.

For more information, email: helen.stephenson@yc.edu
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- **Prescott Community Education and EDventures** are open for Registration! Check out our catalog www.yc.edu/commed.
 - Highlighted CommEd Class: ***Barney Fife and Mayberry 101***, taught by **Bill Knotts**, nephew of Don Knotts (Barney Fife) - Monday evenings, 6/6 - 6/27/22.
 - Highlighted EDventures Trip: ***Raft the Bottom of the Grand Canyon***, Thursday, September 8, 2022.
 - This one-day rafting trip on the Colorado River, in the West Grand Canyon, is full of adventure! Join us on a rafting excursion with the Hualapai River Runners!



Phi Theta Kappa

- Nine Yavapai College Students attended the Phi Theta Kappa National Convention April 6-10 in Denver, Colorado. At the convention our Yavapai College's Phi Theta Kappa Chapter was recognized as being the **4th most distinguished chapter in the country out of 1290 chapters**. Additionally, the students were also recognized with the following awards.

Distinguished Honors in Action Project

Distinguished College Project

Top 100 Distinguished Chapter

Distinguished Chapter

3rd Finalist, Most Distinguished Chapter.

In addition to chapter awards, Yavapai College's **Chasity Bryant** was recognized as a Distinguished Chapter Officer.





Verde Valley Campus

- Verde Horticulture Students held a pop-up plant sale in April. The sale was advertised to the VV/Sedona OLLI program and gardeners came out in a big way to support! In an hour, our students sold 115 plants (mostly tomatoes). This was a wonderful opportunity for our students to explain the methods they are learning for growing, network and share nuggets of growing experience with the community. As a result, we have a couple of community members that want to be guest speakers in the Fall class. The Sedona Garden Club also held their monthly meeting at the VV Campus and toured the greenhouse.



- The Culinary students catered the YC Foundation's "Founder's Event." The food was amazing! They also prepared lunch for the Sedona/VV OLLI group under the direction of **Chef Robert Barr**. This social event brought close to 50 people to the Center to enjoy the work of the culinary program and is something they would like to do every semester.



- Th 8th grade Pipeline Program students took a nursing class during the month of April with instructor **Kim Gould**, pictured below. They learned so many things in this class and loved being able to practice different skills on each other. One student made sure to share with us that after taking this class, “She is sure she wants to become a nurse!”

