

## The Palace Brings the University of Miami's Institute of Lifelong Learning to Residents



**MIAMI**—The Palace Management Group, one of South Florida's leading companies specializing in senior housing and care, recently announced a partnership with the University of Miami's Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) that will bring college-level courses to residents as well as Kendall's older adults.

OLLI is an academic cooperative that provides mature adults with opportunities for intellectual development, cultural stimulation, and social interaction.

"We're pleased to collaborate with the prestigious Osher Lifelong Learning Institute," said Helen Shaham, President of The Palace. "Studies continue to support the 'if you rest, you rust' theory. We strive to provide an environment that promotes intellectual growth and discovery as a continued benefit of the Palace lifestyle."

Under the partnership, OLLI will provide educational programming to residents at The Palace's luxury independent living community, The Palace Suites in Kendall, 11377 S.W. 84<sup>th</sup> Street. Kendall seniors are also invited to participate in the programs free of charge; however, reservations are required due to limited seating.

OLLI at The Palace Suites in Kendall will kick off on Tuesday, October 20 with a five-week course on "Comparative Religions". The first class, led by Imam Zakaria Badit of Masjid An-Noor, will explore Islam. On October 27, the course will be instructed by Rev. Kathy Schmitz of Unitarian Universalist Congregation.

The 1½ hour-long classes begin at 10 a.m. Each speaker will discuss the religion's theological view of God; members' relationship with God; interaction with God in this life; the religion's view of afterlife; and significant holy days and observations.

"The Palace is the first retirement community in Miami to host the program. 'Comparative Religions' is just the beginning of the programming being planned by OLLI and The Palace. We envision an ongoing series of courses in a wide range of topics," explained Director of Osher Lifelong Learning Institute Noreen Frye. "This partnership provides educational programming to Palace residents and guests and allows The Palace to show their commitment to their residents and the community at large."

For more information about The Palace/OLLI program, to obtain a full schedule of events, or to RSVP, please call (305) 271-2220 or visit [www.ThePalace.org](http://www.ThePalace.org).

### **About The Palace Suites**

The Palace Suites is located at 11377 S.W. 84<sup>th</sup> Street in Kendall. Residents enjoy a pampered lifestyle including gourmet meals daily, a comprehensive social activity calendar, a heated pool, live entertainment & shows, weekly housekeeping, utilities and scheduled transportation. For more information about the community, please call (305) 271-2220 or visit [www.ThePalace.org](http://www.ThePalace.org).

### **About Miami's Osher Lifelong Learning Institute**

The Institute has been existence on the University of Miami campus since 1984 and has in the past two years begun to offer classes at other locations. OLLI believes healthy aging is achieved by staying active physically, socially and mentally. Programming addresses two of those activities. Brain exercise encouraged through intellectual stimulation via lectures and discussions will provide the mental component. Interactions within the classroom and discussions outside the classroom will serve to extend or develop social connections. For more information, please call (305) 284-5072 or visit [www.miami.edu/olli/](http://www.miami.edu/olli/)

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