

LUNCH AT THE FORUM

Join us for a series of five lectures presented by some of Chapman University's outstanding faculty members and academic leaders.
11:30 a.m. • Presented virtually at Chapman.edu/tglatf

October 1, 2020

The Movies, the Moguls and Me: Bringing Hollywood to Orange County



Stephen Galloway, MA

Dean of Dodge College of Film and Media Arts, Twyla Reed Martin Dean's Chair in Film and Media Arts

A hundred years ago, a handful of tycoons traveled west and built one of the greatest businesses the world has ever known: Hollywood. They didn't just exemplify the American dream — they defined it. And they kept defining and re-defining it in thousands of Golden Age pictures that taught us how to feel and what to think. Now the world they created is in collapse as the “studio system” goes through its biggest upheaval since the invention of television.

Dean Galloway will discuss what they built, how it's changing — and why that's an opportunity for Chapman University and the future of Dodge College.

November 5, 2020

Green Food for a Healthy Planet



Anuradha Prakash, Ph.D.

Professor and Program Director, Food Science Program, Schmid College of Science and Technology

Concerns about the environmental impacts of our eating habits have prompted interest in plant-based foods. These foods are also associated with healthier lifestyles. Is a plant-based diet essential for health? Does healthy eating truly help with environmental sustainability? Can we eat to reduce food insecurity, improve access and affordability, protect our ecosystem, and reduce climate change?

Dr. Prakash will provide the context to understand the global challenge of the diet-environment-health trilemma, and information that one can put into practical use to reduce our environmental footprint while feeding the world.

February 4, 2021

Breaking Barriers: Empowering Women through Sports



Carol Jue

Women's Basketball Coach, Chapman University

Basketball has always been a safe haven for Carol Jue and is something that other women of Asian descent might also have the opportunity to experience. How can we empower all women through sport? How can we teach young girls that they can achieve both academically and athletically without sacrificing their personal interests?

Carol Jue answered these questions when she was invited by the American Institute of Taiwan to speak to young students about pursuing their passions in sports. She will share about her once-in-a-lifetime trip to Taiwan as speaker and coach, as well as her impressive 17-year journey as Chapman University's all-time winningest women's basketball coach.

March 4, 2021

COVID-19 One Year Later: Its Impacts on Health, Society and the Economy



Thomas Piechota, Ph.D.

Vice President of Research, Chapman University

The first case of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) in the U.S. was January 20, 2020, with the first death in late February 2020. Since then, it spread into a pandemic that swept the country and the globe with impacts to human health, inequitable parts of the society, and certain parts of the economy. Chapman faculty and students responded in extraordinary ways donating face shields, offering free counseling services, and working on the health care front lines. In addition, Chapman University began research to evaluate the health, social and economic impacts of the virus, which still continue.

Dr. Thomas Piechota has highlighted these experiences through the Ask the Experts Virtual Town Hall series. Dr. Piechota will moderate this Town Hall with Chapman faculty and students who will present their perspectives, looking back one year from when COVID-19 first impacted the U.S.

May 6, 2021

How Music Affects Us



Robert Becker, M.M.

Associate Professor, Viola, Chamber Music, Hall-Musco Conservatory of Music, College of Performing Arts

What are the advantages of learning an instrument? Does one get smarter? Is one better prepared for careers other than music by playing an instrument? Can others' lives be affected by one's performances? How do the composers' tonal selection, decisions, period of music affect an audience and one's own emotional state, preparation for work and interaction with colleagues?

Professor Becker will give you these answers and more, as questions will be answered while you listen to music played by talented students of the Hall-Musco Conservatory of Music. Please bring inquiries with you about all things related to string playing; Professor Becker will be taking questions ahead of time, so that he can address them during his presentation.



Important Program Notice for 2020-21 Season

Due to COVID-19, Chapman University's safety guidelines and State of California protocol for large gatherings, Lunch at the Forum programs will be presented virtually this season. Viewing of these programs will be complimentary to Town & Gown members and all interested friends. As time may revise protocol in 2021, updated plans for programs on February 4, March 4 and May 6 which could allow for in-person gatherings along with the virtual presentations, will be communicated at the appropriate time. For more information, please contact Joy Flynn at (714) 744-7608 or visit Chapman.edu/tglatf.