

# LP<sup>2</sup> Lifelong Peer Learning Program

## CU NY GRADUATE CENTER

### THE OBSERVER

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#### WEEK AT A GLANCE

<b>Monday, June 3</b>	Fall24 registration begins
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<b>Monday, July 8</b>	Schedules and rosters distributed
<b>Monday, September 9</b>	First Day of Fall24 Session

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#### DIRECTOR'S NOTE

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Dear members,

I hope you are enjoying the start of summer, whether in study groups and intersession activities, or otherwise! It's not too late to participate in upcoming talks led by your peers and/or to propose an activity for August, so see more in the next pages.

Today we open the registration form for the Fall 2024 term. Please be sure to

have a prepared reference list of preferred study groups, in ranked order, easily accessible as you make your selections online. See more guidance and important dates below.

Your editors have put together this summer issue to keep you up to date on the latest and greatest, so read on for more.

I'm headed to the Catskills at the end of this week with my family and a group of friends with whom we do an annual summer trip.

Take care!

Mariel

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## FALL 2024 REGISTRATION IS OPEN NOW!

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Registration is available online through the [Fall 2024 Registration Form](#).

As you make your way through the form, you will be asked to rank your study group preferences (#1 being your first choice). Be sure to list as many options as you can. Five choices are required, but you can list up to seven. Every effort is made to provide all members with their first and/or second choices.

You can submit multiple requests through the form and the most recent will be used to process your registration.

For answers to most questions, please visit the [Registration FAQ](#) page.

Additional questions can be directed to [lp2@gc.cuny.edu](mailto:lp2@gc.cuny.edu).

### FALL24 IMPORTANT DATES

- Registration Opens: **Monday, June 3**
- Registration Closes: **Monday, June 17**
- Study Group Assignments & Rosters Distributed: **Monday, July 8**
- 1st Add/Drop Period: **Opens July 8 - Closes July 22**
- 2nd Add/Drop Period: **Opens September 3 - Closes September 20**
- Classes start: **Week of September 9**

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## THE POSSIBILITIES OF POETRY

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In the last Observer we introduced four of next semester's first-time coordinators. But that's not all of them, by any means. Meet Neil Grill, who will lead a study group on The Possibilities of Poetry. Here's what Neil, who was an English professor and a psychotherapist, says about his first outing for LP<sup>2</sup>:

Having directed summer poetry writing workshops for older adults for years in Fire Island, many of whom never wrote a poem in their lives, I invite and welcome you to this Fall's 'Poetry as Possibility' study group.

I was a professor of English at Bronx Community College (CUNY) for 36 years.

And published my first Chapbook, 'Why I Believe Ghosts,' in 2021, at age 81.

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## ART DECO WITH THE ART SIG

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### **Explore New York City's Art Deco with Patrick Siconolfi**

Wednesday, August 28 at 3:00

Graduate Center Room TBA

Greet your friends after the summer break and hear Patrick describe NYC's Art Deco gems. They are scattered from Wall Street to the Grand Concourse. You won't have to walk. He will bring them to you. Reception follows. RSVP Dick Kossoff ([dkossoff@gradcenter.cuny.edu](mailto:dkossoff@gradcenter.cuny.edu))



## CALL FOR BREAK ACTIVITIES BETWEEN SEMESTERS

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The Community Building Initiative (CBI) seeks volunteers to lead activities during the August 5th to 23rd break.

As did earlier break activities, yours can meet once, twice or multiple times. Whether it's a book or movie discussion, a current events discussion, a travel adventure or art presentation or something else, members will appreciate your efforts. We also invite all current and past coordinators to offer a one session encore presentation selected from a prior study group. Tech help is available to

set up and assist you run a Zoom session and you'll receive a Zoom link to send to participants.

To propose your activity, contact Jane Case Einbender of the CBI at <[jeinbender@gradcenter.cuny.edu](mailto:jeinbender@gradcenter.cuny.edu)>

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## LINKED IN WITH LP<sup>2</sup>

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With the announcement of the Fall 2024 Grid, now might be a good time to expand our reach of retired or retiring personal and professional contacts to let them know about the learning, social and community benefits of becoming LP<sup>2</sup> members. Connecting your LinkedIn page, if you have one (and it appears that many LP<sup>2</sup> members do in fact still have active pages), to the LP<sup>2</sup> LinkedIn page that we've set up is a good way of casually letting your network of contacts know about our many programs and activities. Our LinkedIn page, which now mentions the Fall Grid, can be easily found at <https://www.linkedin.com/company/lifelong-peer-learning-program/>.

This online platform was launched in concert with our other programs as part of our initiative to broaden and diversify the range of potential LP<sup>2</sup> members. If you're interested in helping with ideas on how to expand the effectiveness of this medium, please contact Stewart Alter or Lisa Cristal on the Marketing Committee.

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## ONLINE ART SHOW

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### Photographer: Penny August

Title: In Memorium

Penny says: Steve and I were privileged to have lived with Kadee for more than 10 years, till she passed last February. She was just a couple of days shy of her twelfth birthday, and was as sweet as she was beautiful.



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## AISI OFFICE HOURS

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A reminder that The Office of Academic Initiatives and Strategic Innovation (AISI) is located in Room 8309 and open from 9AM to 5PM, Monday through Thursday during the summer. In adherence to the CUNY Summer Friday schedule, starting Friday, June 7 through Friday, August 9, there will be no

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## OBSERVER INFO

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Current Observers are available on the website ([p2nyc.org](http://p2nyc.org)) all week from 5pm on the publication date.

Previous editions are kept on the website's [Observer Archive](#).

To display your creative work in the Online Art Show, send a photograph of your work with a title and a brief statement about it to Carol Millsom at [cmillsom@lp2nyc.org](mailto:cmillsom@lp2nyc.org). Art works appear in The Observer in the order in which they are received.

The Observer welcomes member contributions. There used to be a Wednesday deadline for the following Monday; given online publishing, that has been pushed ahead to **Thursday at 6PM**. Send your contributions to [isax@lp2nyc.org](mailto:isax@lp2nyc.org).

**Reminder:** For security purposes *The Observer* and the website do not publish personal information, including emails and phone numbers. We use gradcenter.cuny.edu addresses or request website addresses (@lp2nyc.org) to deliver email directly to your preferred email mailbox.

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