

CHAUTAUQUA INSTITUTION

2017 PROGRAM SCHEDULE

ROAD SCHOLAR

In-Season Programs

Pre- and Post-Season Programs



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**The Chautauqua Experience in Summer
Program #20581AU**

Invention

Week One, June 25–July 1

Invention is a way to pinpoint what we value, and we look to men and women throughout history, around the world, who challenged the status quo by what they thought, saw and created. As we celebrate the evolution of humanity, we explore what's next and how we'll achieve it.

- What are the conditions — within society and within ourselves — that make invention possible?
- Are we in the last age of American invention?
- What do we need for humanity's next "giant leap" in our lifetime?
- Are there ethical and legal limits to be placed on human curiosity?

Opening night special!

Saturday, June 24 – Aretha Franklin – book your additional night now! Call the Athenaeum Hotel at 716-357-4444 for availability and special pricing. Don't miss this inaugural performance in our new Amphitheater!

Rates:

Double – \$2,135 per person, per program
Single – \$2,365 per person, per program

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**The Human Lens: Origins,
Exploration and Preservation**

In Partnership with National Geographic

Week Two, July 2–8

As a species, as communities, and as individuals, we have altered our physical world, with both beneficial and devastating effects. From our earliest history, humanity's movement across the globe — driven by survival and curiosity — has impacted our environment. With such exploration also comes a greater understanding of our relationship to the planet. From the depths of the ocean to the plains of Africa, humans are searching for ways to make positive change and help protect the ecosystems and species that contribute to our essential biodiversity on Earth. During this week, in partnership with National Geographic and a renowned team of explorers and scientists, we look at our past, present and future impact on the planet.

Rates:

Double – \$2,135 per person, per program
Single – \$2,365 per person, per program



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A Crisis of Faith?

Week Three, July 9–15

For decades, Chautauqua Institution has brought people of different faiths — and no faith — together for civil, enlightening dialogue. Building on that work, this week we dive even deeper into questions of identity, religion and community. Pew Research Center reports that religions are undergoing dramatic change: a decline in mainstream Christianity and practicing Judaism, demographic shifts pointing toward a growing Muslim population, and more young people than ever who claim no affiliation with any organized religion. Some detect crisis amidst these changes, but in this week we look to the possibilities. What impacts do shifting religious norms mean for other aspects of public life? How are churches reinventing themselves as moral centers of the communities they serve? Together, we imagine the future of faith and of religion as we have come to know it.

Confirmed speakers include:

Andrew Sullivan, blogger and author, *The Conservative Soul*; Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks, former Chief Rabbi of the United Hebrew Congregations of the Commonwealth; Bill Moyers, managing editor, *Moyers & Company*

Rates:

Double – \$2,135 per person, per program
Single – \$2,365 per person, per program

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**Geopolitics Today:
A Partnership with the
Center for Strategic and
International Studies**

Week Four, July 16–22

For more than 50 years, the Center for Strategic and International Studies has worked to develop practical solutions to the world's greatest challenges. From the economics of energy and climate change, to international security in the age of terrorism, CSIS and its experts bring the issues of the world to Chautauqua's doorstep.

Confirmed speakers include:

Kathleen Hicks, director, International Security Program, CSIS; Sarah Ladislaw, director, Energy and National Security Program, CSIS; Jon B. Alterman, director, Middle East Program, CSIS; Christopher K. Johnson, senior adviser and Freeman Chair in China Studies, CSIS; Sandra Cisneros, author, *The House on Mango Street*

Rates:

Double – \$2,135 per person, per program
Single – \$2,365 per person, per program

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**The Supreme Court:
At a Tipping Point?**

In Partnership with the National Constitution Center

Week Five, July 23–29

The new American president is likely to nominate several justices to the Supreme Court, shaping the future of our country and, in particular, how we govern ourselves for decades to come.

- What impact have presidential appointments to the Court had on major Court decisions?
- What potential appointments are looming in President Trump's first term, and what impact can those appointments have on major cases before the Court?
- How has the balance of power among the three branches of government changed throughout the Court's history?

Confirmed speakers include:

Linda Greenhouse, former Supreme Court reporter, *The New York Times*; Jeffrey Rosen, president and CEO, National Constitution Center

Rates:

Double – \$2,135 per person, per program

Single – \$2,365 per person, per program

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**Comedy and
the Human Condition**

In Partnership with the National Comedy Center

Week Six, July 30–August 5

We partner with the National Comedy Center — the first cultural institution and national-scale visitor experience dedicated to the art of comedy, under construction now in nearby Jamestown, New York — for a week that engages both the mind and the funny bone.

- We'll explore the politics of comedy and political satire — comedy often serves as our greatest mirror, a unique conduit of truth.
- We venture into the writers' room for insight into the craft of comedy for television and film.
- We travel the globe to see if there is such a thing as "universally funny."
- When has a joke gone too far? We consider issues of free speech and ask, "Is there such a thing as too offensive?"

Confirmed speakers include:

Lewis Black, writer, comedian, actor; Sophie Scott, deputy director, Institute of Cognitive Neuroscience, University College London; Richard Russo, author, *Everybody's Fool*

Rates:

Double: \$2,135 per person • Single: \$2,365 per person

Program #18797AU

**The Chautauqua Experience:
A Musical Extravaganza**



Week Five, July 23–29

Join us for our sixth annual Road Scholar program that highlights our own Chautauqua Symphony Orchestra, and our Music School Festival Orchestra, as well as the Chautauqua Opera. The participants will attend the opera's production of *Don Pasquale* on Friday evening, July 28, in Norton Hall. Participate in special pre-concert and pre-opera lectures by a special Road Scholar instructor. Observe the voice and instrument students in their master classes. As a bonus, your weeklong gate ticket includes the entire series of lectures that takes place throughout the grounds, with this week's theme, "The Supreme Court: At a Tipping Point?"

Rates: (includes opera ticket)

Double: \$2,195 per person • Single: \$2,425 per person



**The Chautauqua Experience in Summer
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The Nature of Fear
Week Seven, August 6–12

Now more than ever, fear dominates us in ways we may not even be aware of — in politics, in advertising, in media. In this week, we grapple with recognizing fear and what it does to us.

- What is the history of fear as a political tool and how effectively has it been used to shape our politics?
- We examine fear's effect on the brain and how fear has been shaped by evolution.
- How and why does fear work in persuading, motivating and manipulating us?
- We look at what it means to seek out that which scares us, from Grimm's Fairy Tales and ghost stories to rollercoasters and haunted houses.

Confirmed speakers include:

Dan Ariely, professor of psychology and behavioral economics, Duke University; Stella Rimington, former director general, MI-5; Beau Willimon, creator, Netflix's "House of Cards"

Rates:

Double – \$2,135 per person, per program
Single – \$2,365 per person, per program

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**Media and the News:
Ethics in the Digital Age**
Week Eight, August 13–19

The creative disruption of traditional media is bringing about a crisis in local journalism and changing the role of journalists in a changing America. In this age of information overload, who and what do we trust and how do we become smarter news consumers?

- How is data journalism bridging tradition and innovation to provide a deeper understanding of our world?
- Do emerging business models aimed at "saving" news organizations threaten journalistic independence?
- In the age of podcasting, where do we draw the line between information and entertainment? What are the challenges of a reporter becoming part of the story?

Confirmed speakers include:

Kathleen Hall Jamieson, co-founder, FactCheck.org; Marty Baron, executive editor, *The Washington Post*

Rates:

Double – \$2,135 per person, per program
Single – \$2,365 per person, per program

RATES FOR SUMMER
ROAD SCHOLAR PROGRAMS



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**At the Table: Our Changing
Relationship with Food**

Week Nine, August 20–26

The way we interact with our food is changing, from fast food to farm-to-table. Food is tied to our well-being, our sense of community. Joined by world-renowned chefs, leading food journalists, and other experts, we look at the value of food across the socioeconomic spectrum and learn what it is about our meals that bring us together.

- During this week, our celebration of food moves beyond the Amphitheater stage to several venues throughout the Chautauqua grounds, with cooking demonstrations, food fairs, master classes and much more.

Confirmed speakers include:

Marion Nestle, professor of nutrition, food studies and public health, NYU; Ann Patchett, author, *Commonwealth*; Jane Hamilton, author, *The Excellent Lombards*

Rates:

Double – \$2,135 per person, per program
Single – \$2,365 per person, per program

If interested in adding an additional night on to your stay, please call the Athenaeum Hotel for special rates and availability. Saturday, August 26, The Beach Boys will be performing.

Weekly rates include a Chautauqua Institution gate pass, and accommodations for six nights with daily meals at the Athenaeum Hotel. Opera and theater tickets are an additional charge and should be reserved in advance through the Athenaeum Hotel or by visiting chqtickets.com. The Week Five (Musical Extravaganza) rate includes an opera ticket for the production of *Don Pasquale* on Friday, July 28. Road Scholar attendees are able to add a Saturday stay at the beginning or end of their trip for special rate starting at \$299 per room plus tax, double and \$191 plus tax per room, single, which includes gate passes and three meals. Extend your reservation by calling the Athenaeum Hotel at 1-800-821-1881. Parking fee for the week is \$54, plus optional valet for a \$5 fee. Parking can be reserved and paid for upon arrival at check-in at the Athenaeum Hotel.

For in-season programs, the hotel requests business casual attire for dinner; casual attire is acceptable for breakfast and lunch.

Weeks One–Nine #20581

Double – \$2,135 per person, per program
Single – \$2,365 per person, per program

Week Five #18797 (Musical Extravaganza):

(This week includes opera ticket)

Double – \$2,195 per person
Single – \$2,425 per person

To Register:

For more information and to register, call Road Scholar toll free at (877) 426-8056 Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. ET, or register online at www.roadscholar.org.

The Chautauqua Experience in Fall and Spring

Program #1713AU

May 21–26 | Sept. 17–22

Chautauqua Institution has offered more than 140 years of summer programming in the arts, education, religion and recreation. The “Chautauqua Experience” Road Scholar is an off-season, well-rounded experience of daily lectures, afternoon programs and evening entertainment. Participants take part in morning classes offering a mix of timeless and contemporary topics throughout the week, with presentations of local and regional interest in the afternoons. Each evening features entertainment from a diverse array of talent. Additional recreational opportunities and time for individual activities will be available to make this experience one to remember.

May 21–26 | Confirmed Speakers

Dr. Greg Ferro, “The United States Supreme Court: 1914–1918”

Sept. 17–22 | Confirmed Speakers

Dr. Greg Ferro, “World War I: The Forgotten War 1914–1918”

Program #22062

Great American Get-Together at Chautauqua Institution

October 15–22

Come to Chautauqua Institution and join fellow lifelong learners and local experts for a special, eight-day foray into the mind, body and spirit. Learn how to enrich your life and your health through studies of meditation, yoga, gardening, food and drink, humor or poetry and get hands-on in a Tai Chi class, writing workshop and more. Let the serene beauty of the surrounding Chautauqua region fill your mind, body and soul as you venture out into local wineries, enjoy a paddle wheel boat ride along the shores of Chautauqua Lake and take in Chautauqua Institution’s unique landmarks such as Palestine Park and rain gardens.



U.S. Foreign Policy for the 21st Century American Foreign Service Association

Program #6881AU

June 11–16 | Oct. 1–6

Examine the challenges facing U.S. diplomacy in different areas. Foreign Service experts will take you “behind the scenes” on key issues including peace in the Middle East, security in Europe and obstacles to global stability posed by Third World population growth, poverty and nuclear proliferation. Learn from ambassadors and other veteran Foreign Service officers how embassies and consulates function, how America’s professional diplomats are trained and how they conduct our government’s business, assist U.S. citizens and protect U.S. interests in the world. Chautauqua Institution offers this program with the American Foreign Service Association, the professional association of the Foreign Service.

Highlights:

- Interact with local farmers, Athenaeum executive chef and culinary team, brewers, distillers and winemakers as you learn about food and drink specialties of Chautauqua County, including lessons in home brewing and growing shitake mushrooms and a tasting of artisan cheese.
- Learn how humor can affect your health at the National Comedy Center, and visit the Lucy Desi Museum for a few laughs.
- On the final evening, enjoy a multi-course farm-to-table dinner where you’ll hear directly from some of the farmers and food purveyors who grew the food.

Rates:

Rates include accommodations at the Athenaeum Hotel, meals, all programming as well as round-trip transfer to/from Buffalo Airport. The updated shuttle schedule can be found under Travel Details > By Plane. Rates from \$1,799 per person double

ROAD SCHOLAR PROGRAMS AT THE ATHENAEUM



Athenaeum Hotel:

The Athenaeum Hotel, built in 1881 in grand Second Empire-style, is one of the few vacation hotels of its kind still in operation in the United States. Located adjacent to the Amphitheater at the center of the Chautauqua Institution grounds, the hotel has provided accommodations for distinguished speakers and performers throughout its long history. All programs for 2017 include five nights of accommodations, and all meals at Athenaeum Hotel, all programming and parking.

To Register:

For more information and to register, call Road Scholar toll free at (877) 426-8056 Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. ET, or register online at www.roadscholar.org.

Additional Information:

Programs 1713AU and 6881AU have a capacity of 150, and are 5-night, six-day programs. Boxed lunch on departure is included. Program #22062 accepts 200 participants and is a seven-night, eight-day program. All break up into smaller groups and offer transfers from and to Buffalo airport for an additional fee.

All pre- and post-season Road Scholar programs suggest casual attire.

Road Scholar educational adventures are created by Elderhostel, the not-for-profit world leader in lifelong learning since 1975.

2017 SPRING & FALL (OFF-SEASON)

RATES FOR SPRING & FALL ROAD SCHOLAR PROGRAMS

Pre-Season — Spring

Program #1713AU

“The Chautauqua Experience”

May 21–26

- Accommodation 1
(Includes Transfer From Buffalo Airport):
Double – \$1,175 | Single – \$1,285
- Accommodation 2 (No Airport Transfer):
Double – \$1,075 | Single – \$1,185

Program #6881AU

“U.S. Foreign Policy in the 21st Century”

June 11–16

- Accommodation 1
(Includes Transfer From Buffalo Airport):
Double – \$1,175 | Single – \$1,285
- Accommodation 2 (No Airport Transfer):
Double – \$1,075 | Single – \$1,185

Post-Season — Fall

Program #1713AU

“The Chautauqua Experience”

September 17–22

- Accommodation 1
(Includes Transfer From Buffalo Airport):
Double – \$1,175 | Single – \$1,285
- Accommodation 2 (No Airport Transfer):
Double – \$1,075 | Single – \$1,185

Program #6881AU

“U.S. Foreign Policy in the 21st Century”

October 1–6

- Accommodation 1
(Includes Transfer From Buffalo Airport):
Double – \$1,175 | Single – \$1,285
- Accommodation 2 (No Airport Transfer):
Double – \$1,075 | Single – \$1,185



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