Lecture Series & Book Clubs

The Cleveland Museum of Art
Art and Fiction Book Club
http://www.clevelandart.org/learn/adult.aspx

This structured look at art history through both historical fiction and narrative nonfiction is a collaboration between the museum’s Education Department and the Ingalls Library. This bi-monthly book club features lectures and gallery talks with art historians and a book discussion with a librarian.

Cleveland Botanical Garden
Garden Book Club
http://www.cbgarden.org/Events/2012BookClubMtg.html

Join the Garden Book Club for a bi-monthly discussion on a featured book from the Eleanor Squire Library. Future book club selections are geared to members' interest and the wide and wonderful world of the garden. The book club typically meets on Saturday afternoons.

Martin Luther King Public Library
Men's Book Club
http://www.cpl.org/EventsClasses/EventsByBranchResults.aspx?FilterLocations=18&btsubmit=Find+Events

Men in this group engage in a lively and awareness-raising discussion of books that examine our society from various perspectives and meet monthly. Examples of some books that have been read and discussed this year include: Never Would Have Made It by Melvin Childs; Panther Baby by Jamal Joseph and The Last Narco: Inside the Hunt for El Chapo, the World's Most Wanted Drug Lord by Malcolm Beith.

Case Western Reserve University
Baker-Nord Center for the Humanities
http://humanities.case.edu/index.php

The Baker-Nord Center for the Humanities is dedicated to celebrating, supporting, and invigorating the humanities and the arts at Case Western Reserve University and throughout greater Cleveland. The Center hosts a number of public events to spark interest in the arts and humanities on campus, including the annual Anisfield-Wolf lecture and public programs related to the Center's annual theme. The Baker-Nord Seminar, which facilitates interdisciplinary exchange between scholars, also focuses on our annual theme. Faculty research is highlighted by our Work in Progress series.
Cleveland Museum of Natural History
Explorer Lecture Series
http://www.cmnh.org/site/ClassesandPrograms/Lectures/ExplorerSeries.aspx

Each year, The Cleveland Museum of Natural History is pleased to present a new season of its Explorer Series, a forum in which renowned scientists, authors and adventurers address topics relating to natural history, the natural sciences and challenges facing our environment. Topics are timely and diverse.

Each evening begins at 5:30 pm with live music, Museum exhibitions and galleries, shopping and raffle sign up in the Museum Store, and food and beverages for purchase in The Blue Planet café and Museum lobby.

All presentations begin at 7:30 pm in Murch Auditorium. Following each program, there is time for questions and answers. Afterward, select speakers will sign their books and, on clear nights, the Ralph Mueller Observatory will be open for stargazing.

Cleveland Museum of Natural History
Curators Forum Lecture Series
http://www.cmnh.org/site/ClassesandPrograms/Lectures/curatorsForum.aspx

What do the Museum's curators do? The Curator's Forum lecture series lets you find out. Get acquainted with the latest Museum research being done in fields ranging from archaeology to zoology.

These informative presentations are held Wednesday evenings in Murch Auditorium. There is a reception after every lecture, to meet the Curator and ask questions. Light refreshments are served. Proceeds support the Museum's Collections & Research Division.

Cleveland Museum of Natural History
Frontiers of Astronomy Lecture Series
http://www.cmnh.org/site/AtTheMuseum/PlanetariumandObservatory/AstronomyLectures.aspx

Frontiers of Astronomy is a free lecture series that offers those with an interest in astronomy the chance to learn about some of the latest research in the field. On clear evenings, the Ralph Mueller Observatory will be open afterward.

Cleveland Museum of Natural History
Cleveland Archaeological Society Lecture Series
http://www.cmnh.org/site/ClassesandPrograms/Lectures/Archaeology.aspx
The Cleveland Archaeological Society, a local society of the Archaeological Institute of America (AIA), holds its free annual lecture series at the Museum. A reception usually follows the lecture, and all are welcome to join an informal conversation with the lecturer.

The Cleveland Museum of Art Lecture Programs
http://www.clevelandart.org/learn/adult.aspx

A variety of artists, scholars, and curators speak each year at the museum each year that relate to special exhibitions, the permanent collection, curatorial research and current topics in the arts and humanities. Costs vary from free programs to ones with a cost. Visit their website for current offerings and costs.

Continuing Studies
The Cleveland Institute of Art
Continuing Studies
http://www.cia.edu/adultartists/

The Continuing Education and Community Outreach program welcomes diverse communities, including young artists, art professionals and business professionals, and offers them opportunities to be challenged creatively, learn new skills and enhance their expertise.

The Cleveland Institute of Art offers art school experience for adults. We have programs for all levels and many interests.

Case Western Reserve University
Office of Continuing Education
http://conted.case.edu/

The College of Arts and Sciences’ Office of Continuing Education at Case Western Reserve University offers a wide variety of non-credit programs that draw from the liberal arts disciplines and provide high-quality lifelong learning opportunities for residents of northeastern Ohio. Our mission is to connect CWRU with the community by providing challenging but non-competitive learning experiences for adults who want to cultivate their intellectual curiosity.

Our programs include:

- Off-Campus Studies
- Senior Scholars
- Scholars on the Circle
- Summer in the Country
- Creative Writing
The Cleveland Museum of Art
Adult Studios
http://www.clevelandart.org/learn/adult.aspx

Professional artists provide individual instruction in small classes. Regular offerings include printmaking, watercolors, oils, and Chinese brush painting. Materials and model fees are extra. Autumn, winter, spring, and summer sessions offered. View our calendar for available classes and costs.

The Cleveland Museum of Natural History
Adult Classes
http://www.cmnh.org/site/ClassesandPrograms/Adult.aspx

Each year, the Museum offers a variety of classes and workshops that complement special exhibitions and ones taught by curatorial staff. There are also several certification workshops offered through the American Red Cross in CPR, First Aid & AED. Check the website for updated listings & fees.

Music Study Groups & Classes
Cleveland Museum School Settlement
Adult Music Instruction – Private Lessons & Ensembles

Offering private instruction in a variety of musical styles, there is something for students of all ages and ability levels. Ensemble and group instruction provides students with the opportunity to play with their peers and provide a perfect complement to private lessons.

The Cleveland Institute of Music
Adult Music Instruction – Private Lessons & Ensembles
http://www.cim.edu/preparatory/instruction.php

Since its opening in 1920, the Cleveland Institute of Music has been providing excellent teaching, developing individual potential, and instilling lifelong appreciation and support of the musical arts. The Preparatory and Continuing Studies Division is CIM's link to the community in Cleveland and its suburbs. Private instruction is offered at five Cleveland area locations; however, some instruments are not offered at every branch.

The Cleveland Institute of Music
Adult Music Instruction – Music Ensembles
http://www.cim.edu/preparatory/ensembles/

Musicians flourish when they play together and gain from the experience of others. CIM ensembles are available to young people in Northeast Ohio whether or not they study privately at the Institute.

The Cleveland Orchestra
Unlock the magic of music with Cleveland Orchestra Music Study Groups led by Dr. Rose Breckenridge. Meet both new and experienced music lovers and explore the Orchestra’s ‘concert of the week’ through informal lectures, listening and discussion at one of our six convenient community locations. The series covers the complete Severance Hall subscription season with choice of fall, winter, and/or spring classes. The Listening Guide, a specially prepared booklet of program notes and musical themes from the current season’s featured compositions, is included in the registration fee.

Film Venues & Series

Case Western Reserve University
Film Society
http://films.cwru.edu/

The Film Society is a non-profit, student-run organization dedicated to the promotion of film as an art form. We make available to the University community films of artistic and cultural importance, as well as a number of the more popular films of recent years. Films are shown in Strosacker Auditorium.

Case Western Reserve University
Departmental Film Series
http://case.edu/events/

Throughout the year, there are several film series offered by various departments within the University. Check the most up-to-date offering on the programs and events web pages.

The Cleveland Institute of Art
The Cleveland Cinematheque
http://www.cia.edu/cinematheque/

The Cleveland Institute of Art Cinematheque, screens alternative and art films. It was founded in 1986 and presents movies in CIA’s 616-seat, 35mm and SR stereo-equipped Russell B. Aitken Auditorium. Memberships are available that support the organization and reduce the costs of individual tickets.

The Cleveland Museum of Art
Film Series
http://www.clevelandart.org/events/films.aspx

The Cleveland Museum of Art possesses one of the most established museum film programs in the United States. The program is a major year-long presence that attracts thousands of people to the museum. The museum presents at least two different feature films every week and numerous special film events are presented throughout the year. With about 90 different
movies shown annually, the film program is one of the most respected museum film programs in the U.S.

**Special Topic Research Libraries**

**Cleveland Botanical Garden**  
**The Eleanor Squire Library**  
[http://www.cbgarden.org/Learn/Library.html](http://www.cbgarden.org/Learn/Library.html)

The general public is more than welcome to visit and use the library with the price of admission.

The Eleanor Squire Library is a circulating library specializing in horticultural, botanical, and gardening resources. Members may check out items for three weeks. Rare books do not circulate. Staff, trustees, and volunteers can check out storage and reference books for short-term loans at the discretion of the librarian.

The rare book collection of the Eleanor Squire Library represents some of the major contributions to botanical and horticultural literature. Tours are occasionally scheduled for members and the public. Enjoy a historical overview of the books, offering a unique glimpse into the scope and diversity of the Library’s 2000 volumes and featuring selections from the collections of Warren Corning and Thomas Urban.

**The Cleveland Museum of Art**  
**The Ingalls Library & Museum Archives**  
[http://www.clevelandart.org/learn/Library.aspx](http://www.clevelandart.org/learn/Library.aspx)

The Ingalls Library mission is to support the museum’s current and future collections, research, exhibitions, publications, lectures, programs, and activities. The archives’ mission is to preserve records that document the origins, development, achievements, and activities of the museum, and to administer the museum’s records management program.

All library materials, except those in the reference collection, are housed in closed stacks and must be requested for retrieval at the circulation desk for use in the reading room.

**The Cleveland Museum of Natural History**  
**Harold T. Clark Library**  
[http://www.cmnh.org/site/ResearchandCollections/Library.aspx](http://www.cmnh.org/site/ResearchandCollections/Library.aspx)

The Harold T. Clark Library consists of more than 20,000 books and a 40,000-plus periodical collection that includes over 3,000 individual titles. Holdings focus on natural history and science topics that reflect the Museum's interests and ongoing research initiatives. Public access is by appointment only.

The Library also possesses a 1,000-volume Rare Book Collection kept in secure, environmentally controlled compacted storage. The collection includes works by John James Audubon, John Gould, and Edward Curtis.
Case Western Reserve University
Kelvin Smith Library
http://library.case.edu/ksl/services/visitorinfo/

Kelvin Smith Library welcomes individuals who have personal research needs, and offers on-shelf collections for browsing, reading, and photocopying. Our primary mission is to support the teaching and learning activities of the Case faculty, staff, and students and while the majority of our computers require the Case network ID logon, we reserve some Guest computers for the public’s research needs. Click on the link for additional information is on this page about access, hours, and using the collections.

The Kulas Music Library is a satellite library of Kelvin Smith Library. It houses Case Western Reserve University's library collections in the area of music. The library contains 45,000 items, including music scores, books on music, sound recordings, video recordings, microforms and music periodicals. The library also contains a listening room for using the sound recording and video collections.

The Freedman Center is a partnership between the College of Arts and Sciences and the Kelvin Smith Library. Established in 2005, with over 2,700 square feet of highly functional workspace and state-of-the-art equipment, the Freedman Center harnesses the power of modern technology and combines it with the driver of academic creativity.

The Western Reserve Historical Society
The Research Center
http://www.wrhs.org/Research/category-39D0FF0B-3C3D-45B3-8598-7BA59E8BD5E9.aspx

A part of the Western Reserve Historical Society, housed within the History Center in University Circle, the WRHS Research Center is an amazing resource for the academic and for the family history researcher. Collections spanning national and local history and genealogy are available Thursday - Saturday in person or online.

Special areas of the collection include: African American Archives; Cleveland Jewish Archives; Irish American Archives; Italian American Archives; Philanthropic Archives; LGBT Archives & Sports Archives

WRHS welcomes individual researchers and groups. However, contact the Reference Division staff in advance of any group visit.

Field Trips and Travel Programs with Circle Institutions

The Cleveland Museum of Natural History
Adult Field Trips
http://www.cmnh.org/site/ClassesandPrograms/AdultFieldTrips.aspx

The Museum’s curators maintain an active research agenda and many times, they bring people along for assistance or just wonder. Some trips take place in an urban setting and others in one
of many natural settings, managed by the Museum or other little-known wild places in Ohio or nearby.

**The Cleveland Museum of Natural History**  
**Adult Travel Opportunities**  
http://www.cmnh.org/site/ClassesandPrograms/TravelPrograms.aspx

Experience what it is like to go into the field. Join our Museum curators as they travel the world furthering their work. Journey to remote regions; assist in the search for rare specimens; learn about faraway cultures—don't just dream about it, be a part of the action.