Thailand Traditions and Transformations with Lesley Klenk
Wednesday, July 1 @ 10:00 am • Zoom

Please join local published writer and teacher Leslie Klenk, PhD for a presentation of photos, facts, examples, and anecdotes regarding a November 2019 trip to five parts of Thailand. The presentation will show how a traditional Thailand is evolving into a youthful and energized vacation spot. She’ll share information about Khao Sok National Park, a pristine jungle area with elephants, Cheow Lan Lake, a man-made lake home to tourist floating camps, and Krabi, a beach town in the south and much more.

Travels to Venice, Italy with Lou MacMillan
Wednesday, July 15 @ 10:00 am • Zoom

Lou MacMillan, a renowned photographer in the Olympia area, will discuss his travels to Venice as shown in his stunning photography. His phenomenal professional pictures will highlight the historical canals, remarkable architecture, and elegant Italian life. See an extraordinary part of the world through the eyes of a photographer that honors the beauty of Italian life.

Theatre in Dark Times with The Heartsparkle Players
Wednesday, July 22 @ 10:00 am • Zoom

The Heartsparkle Players have been performing since 1991. Members of the theatre group, Debe Edden, Sara Rucker Thiessen, and Bob McKenzie Sullivan will lead participants in a demonstration of Playback Theatre and a discussion about Theatre in Dark Times. The Heartsparkle Player members use Playback theatre as a tool for community building, education, and social change. The troupe aims to empower audiences by providing a forum for their stories to be shared, heard, and honored. Please join them for an experience of hope and connection through personal stories and conversation.

From Homer to #hashtags: Our Changing Language with Christine Hemp
Wednesday, July 29 @ 10:00 am • Zoom

Christine Hemp explores these new forms of communication, while connecting them with the language of the past. Some might argue that language has been diminished, but just as Homer's epic Odyssey made sense of ancient Greece, a tweet can distill a feeling, a thought, or an idea. How do changes in language affect the way we think about our world, our history, and ourselves? Christine Hemp is an author, poet, essayist and art critic. She is also the recipient of a Washington State Artist Trust Fellowship for Literature.

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