

Blue Ridge Community College

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There are several community enrichment courses beginning in September. Contact the Community and Continuing Education department at (828) 694-1735 about registering for the following courses:

Watercolor Landscapes in Hendersonville: This course will give the student a fundamental knowledge of painting watercolor landscapes with a focus on urban detail and building structure. Local area scenes will be used as subjects for the class projects. Course is designed for students with some prior experience with watercolor painting and will meet September 16 through October 7 on Fridays from 1 to 4 p.m. The registration fee is \$62.

Beginning Cake Decorating: Learn to decorate cakes for all occasions. Proper use of different decorating tips and utensils will be explored as well as how to write on a cake and the art of creating flowers and border designs. Kits, supply list and icing recipe are available at Celebrations at 495 Watson Road in Arden Please bring all supplies, and make a recipe of icing to the first class. This course will meet September 13 through November 1 on Monday evenings from 6 to 8 p.m. The registration fee is \$72.

Hooks, Handles and Men with Funny Hats is a survey of principles of fiction writing will be offered in this course, including openings, plot/theme, characterization, showing versus telling, active versus passive voice, subtext, use of similes and metaphors, and dialogue. Students will discuss ways of incorporating these techniques into their own writing. This course meets September 8 through October 13 on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. The registration fee is \$55.

The popular Line Dancing course will begin September 14 and run through November 23 on Tuesday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. The registration fee is \$65.

Debt Free and Prosperous Living will teach participants how to achieve financial freedom through debt free living. Each student needs to bring a list of their debts, including the balance owed and the minimum monthly payment. This course meetings September 20 and 27 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. The registration fee is \$37.

Interior Design: Ready for a change? Come explore elements and principles of design with color as a focal point as you prepare to transform your living space. Topics discussed will include space planning, lighting, furniture arrangement, and a history of furniture design. This course meets September 9 through October 28 on Thursday mornings from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. The registration fee is \$71.30.

A Year in Paris: Living-Learning the City: Through photos, memoirs, and interactive discussion, a recent visitor recounts her past year in the City of Lights. Whether you have been there or wish you could go - this is a lively way to experience one of the most beautiful cities in the world. This course is available on Tuesday mornings from 10 a.m. to 12 p. or in the evening from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. beginning September 7 and ending September 28. The registration fee is \$55.

Introduction to Amateur Astronomy: Come learn to use the astronomical data to find your way around the sky. Topics discussed will include Henderson County observing; summary of current astronomy

knowledge and methods; how to access and use the available web resources; possible amateur research methods and opportunities; equipment investing to achieve your goal; and how amateur astronomers may contribute to astronomical knowledge. This course will meet September 13 through October 25 on Monday evenings from 7 to 10 p.m. The registration fee is \$65.

Why Your House is Not Selling and What You Can Do: If your house has been on the market for longer than the average time for houses in your price range, what can you do about it? A Realtor and Professional Home Stager will explore with you the essentials of successful selling, including possible ways to improve the marketability of your house. This course will meet September 14 through 28 on Tuesday evenings from 7 to 8:30 p.m. It is also available on Thursday evenings from 2 to 3:30 p.m. on September 16 through 30. The registration fee is \$35.