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FALL 2020

SEPTEMBER

9/21 2pm Why History?  
Dr. Edward Pompeian, History

OCTOBER

10/7 10am Florida Land Use & Extinction: The Dusky Seaside Sparrow  
Dr. Gregg Perkins, Film, Animation & New Media

10/14 4pm Sculpture and Animal Conservation: Giant Armadillo Project  
Samantha Burns, MFA, Art & Design

10/20 4pm Coffee Conversation  
Dr. Erin Koterba, Psychology

OCTOBER, CONT'D

10/27 10am Coffee Conversation  
What would the epic princess do? A dramatic reading and discussions of feminist dilemmas in ancient/modern India  
Drs. Robert Gonzalez and Sucheta Kanjilal, Theatre and English and Writing

NOVEMBER

11/5 6pm Engaging Girls in STEM Robotics Activities to Develop Interest in Science & Engineering Fields  
Dr. Jennifer Blessing, Psychology

11/12 8pm Stripped & Script: Loyalist Women Writers of the American Revolution  
Dr. Kacy Tillman, English and Writing and Honors

All symposia (coffee conversations included) will be hosted on Zoom due to the pandemic. The link to the meeting, along with the meeting password, will be distributed in the weekly digest email one week prior to the event. Coffee conversations are small-group chats about issues in the day's headlines. These events are capped at 20 participants; the digital sign up sheet will be distributed one week prior to the event in the weekly digest email.