

# Courses

At present, we are operating under lockdown conditions and the type of meetings that are referred to below cannot take place. They are replaced by Zoom meetings- many of which are run by other U3A chapters and we are able to participate. We also have a weekly email from our secretary including a quiz, and we are developing this website to be of greater value to members as a source of information.

There is a monthly General Meeting which takes place at St Andrew's Croquet Club on the second Thursday of the month. A monthly Current Affairs course also takes place there on the third Thursday of the month. Other courses take place at Berea Gardens' venues and smaller courses are held in various homes. Some courses are closed due to their nature and limits on accommodation. There are activities involved in pastimes such as Mah jong. The current programme is attached. Sign up for courses takes place in November each year, but newcomers may join open courses at any time.

## COST

The annual fee is R50 and that is payable whenever in the financial year to June that the person joins. A fee of R5 is payable at each meeting. Visitors may attend two meetings at a cost of R10 per meeting, but then are expected to join.

## HOW TO JOIN

At this time of lockdown, anyone wishing to join may contact Clare Fowle Membership Secretary Tel 043 748 2214, Cell 083 662 0557 or Gill Ansell General Secretary Tel 043 735 2444 Cell 083 651 7892

Message from Stefan Pretorius-U3A SA Zoom coordinator. 31 May 2021

Hi Everyone,

I am not too sure what I should call this (attached) list as it contains details of talks from 5 U3As and whilst most make use of the Zoom 500 license taken out in the name of U3A SA, there are others who make use of their own Zoom licenses.

Recordings of these talks are uploaded to our shared Google Drive platform and anyone can access those by clicking on this: <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1DcBXj-ADQxcH96eFk-1Q7F-IBNCbOx6?usp=sharing>.

I know that a number of U3As carry notifications of upcoming talks and links to recorded talks in YouTube or mp4 format on their own websites but I am hoping that each U3A will also consider sending out notifications of their upcoming talks, in emails like this to all of us. I am grateful that a few are ALREADY doing this.

If any U3A would like my assistance with uploading talks to the shared (U3A SA) Google Drive, please let me know. It only takes a few clicks.

Kind regards,

Stefan Pretorius  
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# U3A SA Zoom 500 activities for September 2021

Green: Hosted by Peter Lawson

Red: Hosted by Esme Goldblatt

DAY AND COURSE NAME	CO-ORDINATOR	EMAIL	WEEK	TIME	DATE	SPEAKER	TOPIC
<b>MONDAY</b>							
Science Group	Ken Buchanan	<a href="mailto:buchanankj2@gmail.com">buchanankj2@gmail.com</a>	1 <sup>st</sup>	10h00	6 Sept	John S. Compton	Welcome to the Anthropocene: Human impacts on the West Coast
Political Discussion Group	Ken Garlick	<a href="mailto:stefanpretorius877@gmail.com">stefanpretorius877@gmail.com</a>	1st and 3rd	14h00	6 & 20 Sept		
Armchair Travel	Ian Glass	<a href="mailto:stefanpretorius877@gmail.com">stefanpretorius877@gmail.com</a>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	10h00	20 Sept	Ian Glass	"Three months in Japan"
TED Circles	Grace Smith	<a href="mailto:grace@kingsley.co.za">grace@kingsley.co.za</a>	2nd & 4th	15h30	13 & 27 Sept		
Southern Scribes	Susan Kilfoyle	<a href="mailto:susan.kilfoyle6@gmail.com">susan.kilfoyle6@gmail.com</a>	2nd	10h00	13 Sept		
Environmental Topics	Linda Pollard	<a href="mailto:desmondandlinda@icloud.com">desmondandlinda@icloud.com</a>	4th	10h00	27 Sept	Louis von Broembsen	A South African citrus revolution: From Nartjies to Soft Citrus
<b>TUESDAY</b>							
U3A Jhb Computer Course	Andrew Pearce	<a href="mailto:andrewpearce4477@gmail.com">andrewpearce4477@gmail.com</a>	every except 3rd	10h00	7, 14, & 28 Sept		
U3A Jhb East	Penny Mackrory	<a href="mailto:pennymac@icon.co.za">pennymac@icon.co.za</a>	2nd	14h00	13 Sept	Douglas Gibson	TBC
U3A Jhb Monthly Speaker	Marlene Armstrong	<a href="mailto:Marlene2@vodamail.co.za">Marlene2@vodamail.co.za</a>	3rd	10h00	21 Sept	Prof. Anton Harber	So, for the record behind the headlines in an era of state capture.
Prof M James alternating Science and History	Prof Michael James	<a href="mailto:stefanpretorius877@gmail.com">stefanpretorius877@gmail.com</a>	2nd	10h00	14 Sept	Mike James	Curare – the toxin that changed medicine.
Literature Study Group	Geri Goldblatt	<a href="mailto:ger.ggoldblatt@gmail.com">ger.ggoldblatt@gmail.com</a>	4 <sup>th</sup>	14h00	28 Sept	Janice Behr	Being Mortal and what Matters in the End. Book by Atul Gawande.
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>							
Non-fiction Book Club	Marcia Raymond	<a href="mailto:marciaraymond3@gmail.com">marciaraymond3@gmail.com</a>	1st	10h00	1 Sept		
ZWAG (Zoom Wine Appreciation Group)	Sorella van Hoogstraten	<a href="mailto:sorella@mweb.co.za">sorella@mweb.co.za</a>	1st	17h00	1 Sept		
Johannesburg North	Barbara Holcroft	<a href="mailto:barbaraholcroft@gmail.com">barbaraholcroft@gmail.com</a>	2nd	10h00	8 Sept		

Art and Texts	Peter Hyslop	stefanpretorius877@gmail.com	3rd	10h00			
Disentangling Israel and Palestine	Prof Leonard Suransky	leosur@gmail.com		10h00			Prof Suransky's last talk on this will only take place in October when he is back in SA
<b>THURSDAY</b>							
History	Cherril Chaman	cjcharman@hotmail.co.za	3rd	14h30	16 Sept		
Current Affairs	Leonard Suransky	leosur@gmail.com	1st	14h00	2 Sept		
U3A CT's Monthly General Meeting	Stefan Pretorius	stefanpretorius877@gmail.com	last	10h00	30 Sept		
'Bridge: When the opponents open the bidding'	Peter Lawson	lawsonp@gmx.com	2nd, 3rd and 4th	10h30	9, 16 & 23 Sept		Competitive bidding is a complete independent system, very logical and not difficult to learn
U3A Knysna "Anything Goes" talk	Cathie Garner	cathie.garner55@gmail.com	3rd	10h30	16 Sept	Vivienne Brooks	'An Affordable Plant Based Lifestyle for Everyone - how to grow your own vegetables sustainably.'
<b>FRIDAY</b>							
Ballet	Sorella van Hoogstraten	sorella@mweb.co.za	1st	10h00	3 Sept		
Opera	Sorella van Hoogstraten	sorella@mweb.co.za	3rd	10h00	17 Sept	Sandy Sharpe.	Topic – Various.
Neuroscience	Jenni Sharkey	jennisharkey@gmail.com	last	14h00	1 Oct	Jenni Sharkey	(Heritage day Holiday on 24 Sept – moved to 1 Oct)

U3A Cape Town's website: <http://www.u3a-ct.org.za/>

Details of the Hiking Groups are available on the website: <https://sites.google.com/site/u3actwalking/>