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Santa Barbara and Our Courthouse

A Distinctive City and a One-of-a-Kind Building

Presented by: David DeSelm

Two Fridays: January 21 and 28, 2022 ▪ 10–11:30 a.m.

ONLINE via ZOOM



We all know that Santa Barbara is a beautiful city ... and we all know that the Santa Barbara Courthouse is a unique and dramatic expression of the character of our city. When completed in 1929, the Courthouse became the symbol of a new identity for the city of Santa Barbara. It took a history of ingenuity and design to invent our city's famous image.

During this two-day VISTAS seminar, we'll look at how the design of the city and the design of the Courthouse influenced each other to create the special place we know today. In Session 1, we'll review key events and people who shaped the Spanish image of Santa Barbara and its historic colonial and architectural relationships to Spain. Then we'll explore what inspired the community leaders of Santa Barbara to decide that the Courthouse should be designed in the architectural style of southern Spain. In Session 2, we'll focus on the skills of two innovative architects whose talents were unexpectedly brought together for the Courthouse, and how the building got its "National Historic Landmark" form. Finally, we'll look at how our city became a pioneer for urban design in America.

Registration deadline: January 18, 2022

Enrollment form: *Santa Barbara and Our Courthouse*

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VISTAS members \$30; non-members \$45

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After serving as a Peace Corps volunteer in Tunisia and working as an architect for the Tunisian Directorate of Historic Monuments, David followed a career in urban planning and design, with major international development projects in North Africa, the Middle East, Asia, Latin America, California, and Hawaii. David and his wife, Jane, have lived in Santa Barbara since 2008 and are active VISTAS members as well as course presenters.



VISTAS Calendar

SUBJECT TO CHANGE; for up-to-date information, visit our website (VistasLifelongLearning.org) frequently!
 Dates listed in red below are different from those listed in our printed Winter/Spring 2002 Course Catalog.

Course / Event	Date(s)	Time	Venue
Monday Nonfiction Book Club / Dawn McGrew	4th Monday monthly	1:30 pm	Via Zoom
Civil Unrest in the 1960s / Robert Benham	Mon. Feb. 7, 14, 21, 28, Mar. 7, 14	9:30am	Bethany Congreg. Church
"Sounds Good! But Does It Work?" / P. Sokolove	<i>POSTPONED — updated dates and venue to come</i>		
<i>Carmen</i> and Consequences / Simon Williams	Thurs. Feb. 3, 10, 17, 24	9:30 am	Music Academy of West
Santa Barbara & Our Courthouse / David DeSelm	Fri. Jan. 21 and 28	10:00 am	Via Zoom
God Save This Honorable Court / David Bisno	Wed. Feb. 9, 16, 23, March 2	9:30 am	Music Academy of West
Why Do We Have Financial Crises? / Peter Naylor	Tues. Feb. 22, March 1	9:30 am	Venue TBD
Van Gogh: Beyond the Myth (Lori Windsor Mohr)	Fri. Feb. 25, March 4	9:30 am	Bethany Congreg. Church
Shakespearean Comedies / Mark Rose	Tues. March 8, 15, 22, 29	9:30 am	Venue TBD
Short Story Discussion Group II / Denny Klos	Thurs. March 10, 17, 24, 31	1:00 p.m.	Via Zoom
Constantine the Great / Daniel DeSelm	Fri. April 1	9:30 am	Venue TBD
Demonic Violinists and Duels / Derek Katz	Wed. April 6, 13, 20	9:30 am	Venue TBD
Heroes & Rogues (4th Series) / Gerry Corrigan	Mon. April 18, 25, May 2	9:30 am	Venue TBD
Cole Porter / Bob Weinman	Tues. April 19 and 26	10:00 am	Via Zoom
Origins, Adventures in Amer. Ag. / Daniel Stone	Tues. May 3 and 10	9:30 am	Venue TBD
Frayed Amer. Social Safety Net / Ted Anagnoson	Wed. May 4, 11, 18, 25	1:00 pm	Venue TBD
Mother–Daughter Relationship / Denny Klos	Mon. May 9 and 16	9:30 am	Venue TBD