



# Center 4Life Learning

## 2026 Spring/Summer Classes

### Mondays

#### **SIGN LANGUAGE (107)**

Mondays, 10:30 – 12:00 (6 Classes 3/23 – 4/27) in Room 12

**Tuition \$50**

Limited to 12

You will learn the manual alphabet, numbers, and basic signs to communicate with the hard of hearing and the deaf. **The book Signing Made Easy, by Rod R. Butterworth and Mickey Florin is required for the class. It can be purchased at Barnes and Noble or online at [amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com)**

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#### **SIGN LANGUAGE (107)**

Mondays, 10:30 – 12:00 (6 Classes 7/6 – 8/10) in Room 12

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## Mondays and Thursdays

### **BEGINNERS CONVERSATIONAL SPANISH, LEVEL II (143)**

Mondays and Thursdays, 8:30 – 10:00 (6 Classes 3/30 – 4/16) Room 30	<b>Tuition \$50</b>	Limited to 10
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This course builds on the foundations established in Beginners Conversational Spanish – Level 1 and is designed to further develop students' ability to communicate in Spanish in everyday situations. Students will expand their vocabulary and begin using common verb forms to create simple sentences and short conversations.

Through guided dialogue, role-playing, listening activities, and interactive practice with classmates, students will learn to discuss daily routines, express preferences, ask and answer questions, and describe people, places, and activities. Emphasis will continue to be placed on clear pronunciation, practical communication, and confidence in speaking Spanish.

Students will continue to strengthen their conversational skills through structured in-class activities and additional practice using handouts, recommended online resources, and optional reading materials.

**Dr. Albert Villanueva-Reyes** is a bilingual professor, linguist, and speech-language pathologist with more than 30 years of experience in academic, clinical, and administrative roles. He has served as faculty at multiple higher-education institutions across the United States and Puerto Rico, contributing to the fields of communication sciences, linguistics, voice, and education. Dr. Villanueva-Reyes holds a bachelor's degree in Secondary Education with a concentration in the Teaching of Spanish, a master's degree in Speech-Language Pathology, and a doctorate in Teaching and Curriculum with a specialization in Hispanic Linguistics—all from the University of Puerto Rico. He also completed post-doctoral studies in Clinical Research at the same institution. In addition, he earned a Certificate in Vocology (Science of Voice Habilitation) from the National Center for Voice and Speech at the University of Iowa. Expanding his academic and ministerial preparation, Dr. Villanueva-Reyes completed a Master's degree in Bible Studies at Grace School of Theology in 2020. He is an active member of the United Methodist Church of Sun City Center, where he continues to integrate his faith, service, and professional calling.

## Thursdays

### **“MAKE YOUR MARK” WITH NO RULES! (221)**

Fridays, 10:30 – 12:00 (4 Classes 4/9 – 4/30) in Creason Hall	<b>Tuition \$45</b>	Limited to 8
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This “Just for Fun” class is for anyone that got yelled at by their teachers in school for doodling while the lecture was taking place. In this three-week class you will have fun while making random marks that become fun “Art Pieces”. We will explore several styles of abstract art and create some cool images that are suitable for cards or bookmarks, and that might just lead you on a journey to much bigger projects. Starter kits of paper surfaces, plus pens, markers and other tools will be provided.

**Materials charge of \$12 payable to instructor on April 9.**

**Sharon Carothers** enjoyed a 20-year career as a Stained-Glass artist and teacher in Maumee, (Toledo) Ohio, after a 30-year career in the Sprinkler Irrigation Industry. Her studio and retail center, Prism GlassWorks Ltd., offered a variety of classes, including Fusing, Stained Glass, Mosaics, Acrylic Flo art, and other arts and crafts that interested her clientele. Since retirement, she enjoys teaching a variety of classes, including doodle art and dot art.

## Fridays

### **ANDROID SMARTPHONE – PICTURES – HOW TO TAKE, STORE & TEXT THEM (224)**

Friday, 10:00 – 11:30 (1 Class 4/3) Room 30

**Tuition \$17**

Your smartphone includes a camera which may make it the second-best reason for even having a smartphone. This course will focus on the camera and pictures. It will cover how to take pictures, where they are typically stored, and how to share them with a friend as an attachment to a text. Sharing pictures using the Texting App has become a preferred form of electronic communications. Moving your pictures to a Microsoft computer, so they will be safe, will also be covered. The Android Operating System is used in examples, but similar results can be accomplished using the Apple iOS. A basic knowledge of your device is expected.

**Phil Sorrentino** is the secretary of the *Sun City Center Computer Club* and a past president of the *Sarasota Computer Users Group*. He has taught a variety of beginner and advanced computer classes and writes a monthly computer article for both organizations' newsletters. Phil is an electrical engineer and has worked at developing computer hardware and software for his entire career.

### **CUT THE CORD AND STREAM ENTERTAINMENT (190)**

Friday, 10:00 – 11:30 (1 Class 4/10) Room 30

**Tuition \$17**

If you or your Provider decides to cut the cord, this course will explain alternatives such as: Using your Browser, Receiving Over-the-Air TV, and Streaming Services. Over-the-Air TV, using an inexpensive antenna, is still available in many areas close to major cities, such as Sun City Center. Streaming is the transmission of video entertainment from a cloud streaming service to our home TVs, via the internet. Either of these or a combination of both may satisfy your needs for entertainment delivered to your home.

This course will focus on Streaming as a replacement for Cable TV channels. It will discuss the use of client-server technology to allow entertainment to be delivered to our home devices such as TV, computer, tablet and smartphone. Various Streaming devices and services will be discussed with respect to entertainment availability and cost. The internet, as the conduit that delivers the entertainment, will be reviewed.

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## Fridays (continued)

### **BEGINNING MODERN DOT ART (195)**

Fridays, 10:30 – 12:00 (6 Classes 4/17 – 5/22) Creason Hall	<b>Tuition \$50</b>	Limited to 8
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Let's have some fun using dots and acrylic paint to create art! Small, distinct dots of color will be applied in patterns to form images. Many cultures and famous painters have used a technique called *pointillism* to express a variety of styles. In this introductory class we will learn about the modern tools, paints, methods, and standard strokes required to practice this popular version of dot art. Creating mandalas is a great way to begin this journey. Steady hands helpful. A starter kit will be provided.

**There is a required materials charge of \$27, payable to the instructor on first day of class. Note: If student already owns nail art dotting tools kit, you may purchase a kit without tools for \$23.**

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