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Museum Masterpieces

The Great Courses series offered at Senior Center

The Estes Park Senior Center is offering a new course beginning October 6 called *Museum Masterpieces: The Metropolitan Museum of Art*. This free course series will showcase 24 DVD (video) lectures by Professor Richard Brettell via The Great Courses. The twelve-week course will be held on Mondays beginning October 6 through December 22 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in room 102 at the Estes Park Senior Center, 220 Fourth Street. Betty Dutton, artist and board member of Estes Park Senior Citizens Center Inc., will act as facilitator. No reservations are needed; just drop in, it's free!

This DVD series is produced by The Great Courses, an educational company dedicated to producing engaging audio and video lectures by professors from leading universities. The Great Courses syllabus describes the Museum Masterpieces series, "Where else can you find masterpieces extending from the dawn of civilization to today; or encyclopedic holdings from all the major cultures on earth; or genres ranging from paintings to period rooms, sculpture to suits of armor, metalwork to musical instruments—all situated in a palatial building beside one of the world's most magnificent parks?"

No other museum covers the history of humanity and its achievements as thoroughly as The Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City. Professor Richard Brettell believes that The Metropolitan Museum of Art is not just the greatest art museum in America, but that it is also the most complete encyclopedic art museum on the planet, rivaled only by the Louvre in Paris and the Hermitage in Saint Petersburg, whose collections have significant gaps by comparison."

Professor Brettell received his B.A., M.A., and Ph.D., from Yale University. His work includes exhibitions for museums incites ranging from San Francisco to Copenhagen. He has delivered scholarly lectures at various museums and has written more than 25 books.

For more information, please contact the Estes Park Senior Center at (970) 586-2996 or visit the Center at 220 Fourth Street, Monday through Friday between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Please visit the Senior Center website at www.estes.org/seniorcenter. To receive Senior Center news in your e-mail inbox, please e-mail lmitchell@estes.org

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