



Presented by: Daniel Stone

Two Tuesdays, May 3 and 10, 2022

9:30 a.m. – 12 noon

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SESSION 1 – The strange and mysterious origins of America’s food system

“Dull, brown and bland.” That’s how early 20th century food historian Clementine Paddleford—the Julia Child of her era—described the food of North America before our country’s founding. What was American food like before there was an America? What did Native American tribes eat, and what perished when European colonialists arrived? This first session will cover the curious and at times distasteful origins of American food up to the Civil War.

SESSION 2 – America’s Botanical Adventurers: The men who roamed the planet to find our foods



DAVID FAIRCHILD
"America's Top Food Spy"

American supermarkets were not always abundant and diverse as they are today. At the turn of the 20th century, David Fairchild and his team of USDA botanists circled the world in search of novel plants—and in turn, they transformed the American diet. Avocados from Chile, mangoes from India, seedless grapes from Italy, and much more. Join their adventures with National Geographic writer Daniel Stone, author of *The Food Explorer: The True Adventures of the Globe-Trotting Botanist Who Transformed What America Eats*.

PLEASE REVIEW THE STATEMENT ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THIS FLYER REGARDING VACCINATION REQUIREMENTS.

Preferred registration deadline: April 26, 2022

*Early enrollment helps us with our planning; also, those who register by the preferred deadline will be given priority in case of over-enrollment.

Enrollment form: *Origins and Adventures in American Agriculture*

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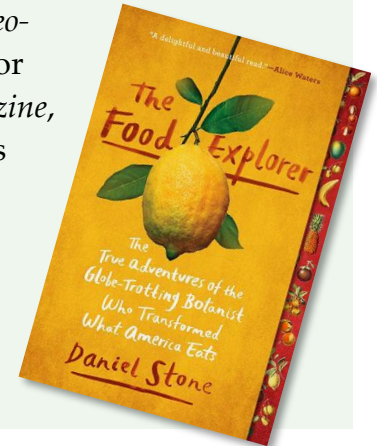
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It is understood that attendance is limited to those who are fully vaccinated against Covid-19.



Daniel Stone is a writer on science, history, and adventure. He is a former senior correspondent for *National Geographic* and a former White House correspondent for *Newsweek Magazine*. He has written for *Time Magazine*, *The Washington Post*, *Vice*, and *Literary Hub*, and has presented at the National Academy of Sciences. He teaches environmental policy at Johns Hopkins University.

Daniel lives in Santa Barbara with his wife, Alanna, and their two sons, one of whom is a dog.



IMPORTANT COVID-19 POLICY

The health and safety of our attendees, as well as their entire families, are of utmost importance to us. **Accordingly, we are limiting attendance to those who are fully vaccinated.** Proof of vaccinations and boosters (digital Covid-19 Vaccination Card or a photo of your printed card) must be sent to Liz Linde via email (vistas@vistaslifelonglearning.org) or text (805-967-6030). All participants may also be asked to show vaccination status on the first day of each course in case our records are incomplete. This needs to be done only once—your proof of vaccination will remain valid for all VISTAS events. Please note that applicable local mask mandates may apply to VISTAS in-person, indoor gatherings.

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
Santa Barbara & Our Courthouse / David DeSelm	Fri. Jan. 21 and 28	10:00 am	Via Zoom
<i>Carmen</i> and Consequences / Simon Williams	Thurs. Feb. 3, 10, 17, 24	9:30 am	Music Academy of West
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	POSTPONED — updated dates and venue to come		
God Save This Honorable Court / David Bisno	SOLD OUT — ENROLLMENT CLOSED		
Financial Mkts, Regs, Crises, Frauds / Peter Naylor	Tues. Feb. 22, March 1	9:30 am	Montecito Covenant Ch.
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	Montecito Covenant Ch.
Short Story Discussion Group II / Denny Klos	SOLD OUT — ENROLLMENT CLOSED		
Constantine the Great / Daniel DeSelm	Fri. April 1	9:30 am	Bethany Congreg. Church
Demonic Violinists and Duels / Derek Katz	Wed. April 6, 13, 20	9:30 am	Music Academy of West
Lise Meitner's Discovery of Nuclear Fission	Tues. April 12	9:30 am	Music Academy of West
Heroes & Rogues (4th Series) / Gerry Corrigan	Mon. April 18, 25, May 2	9:30 am	Montecito Covenant Ch.
Cole Porter / Bob Weinman	Tues. April 19 and 26	9:30 am	Via Zoom
Origins, Adventures in Amer. Ag. / Daniel Stone	Tues. May 3 and 10	9:30 am	Montecito Covenant Ch.
Frayed Amer. Social Safety Net / Ted Anagnoson	Wed. May 4, 11, 18, 25	1:00 pm	Bethany Congreg. Church
Mother–Daughter Relationship / Denny Klos	Mon. May 9 and 16	9:30 am	Montecito Covenant Ch.