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### President's Letter, October 2021

Fall at WALL is the best! As we come to the end of the first month in the Fall semester, we can say that this has been a wonderful month for the members who attended classes. As a an attendant at each class, I can also say that I have personally enjoyed the classes, getting to see members from past classes , and meeting new members. October is coming, and with it, a new round of classes. A list of those classes are listed in this newsletter with times, dates and locations. We will continue to adhere to Wesleyan College's mask guidelines. As changes are noted, we will quickly bring that information to you. We have one

more Zoom class coming up, The History of Selected Hymns with Dr. Jeff Seeley. All members who have registered for this class are invited to bring a favorite hymnal to the class. The insert in this month's newsletter concerns the need for WALL volunteers. Most of you may know that we have great volunteers who work on various committees to bring a variety of classes to WALL. We hope that some of you will consider joining the WALL volunteer team too.

Enjoy the beautiful Fall weather and take care.

Sandy Tharpe

WALL President 2021-2022

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## OCTOBER 2021 COURSE SCHEDULE

COURSES	INSTRUCTORS	DATES	TIMES	LOCATION
The Voices Must Be Heard	Dr. Mary Keating	Friday, Oct. 1, 8, 15, 22	10:30—12noon	Taylor Hall, Room 109
The Poetry of William Wadsworth	Dr. Kenneth Hammond	Tuesday, Oct. 5, 12, 19,	11am—12noon	Taylor Hall, Room 109
Great Decisions 2020, Section 1 Wesleyan College	Vince Coughlin	Tuesday, Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26; Nov. 2 & 9	1:30—3:00 pm	Taylor Hall, Room 109
Great Decisions 2020, Section 2	Vince Coughlin	Friday, Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28, Nov 5, 12	3—4:30pm	Carlyle Place, Activity Room “A”
Landmark Supreme Court Cases	Vince Coughlin	Wed. Oct. 6, 13, 20, 27	1:00-2:00 pm	Candler Bldg. Benson Room
Preserving Macon	Jim Barfield	Wed. Oct. 6, 13, 20, 27	2:30—3:30 pm	Candler Bldg. Benson Room
Reckless Misfortunate the Century We Inherited from WWI	Dr. Christopher Blake, President of Middle Georgia State Univ.	Wednesday, Oct. 6, 20, 27, Nov. 3, 10, 17 NO CLASS Oct 13	4—5:15 pm	Taylor Amphitheatre
Women of the Bible	Dr. Vivia Fowler	Thurs., Oct 7	1:30—2:30 pm	Candler Bldg, Benson Room and ZOOM
Archaeology of the Megalithic Era	Joanna Watson	Thurs. Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28	11:00—12 noon	Candler Bldg. Benson Room
History of Selected Hymns	Dr. Jeff Seeley	Thurs. Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28	9:30—10:30 am	Candler Bldg. Benson Room and ZOOM
British Royal Families, Part 4	Dr. Jan Lewis	Tuesday, Oct. 26, Nov. 2, 9, 16	11:30am—12:30pm	Taylor Amphitheatre

FOR INFORMATION ON WESLEYAN COVID 19 POLICIES

REFER TO

[https://www.wesleyancollege.edu/Covid-19/policies.cfm?csSearch=124917\\_1](https://www.wesleyancollege.edu/Covid-19/policies.cfm?csSearch=124917_1)



# INSTRUCTORS FOR OCTOBER 2021

**Dr. Mary Keating** is a former professional singer who has appeared with the Boston Symphony, the Handel & Hayden Society, New York Pro Musica and many other organizations. She was a finalist in the Metropolitan Opera auditions and spent three seasons singing with the Stadttheater Buhnen in Frankfurt, Germany. She holds degrees in music from Indiana University and the University of Florida, as well as a doctorate in Educational Leadership from the University of Florida. After teaching music for many years, Dr. Keating enjoyed a second career in fund raising as executive director of several college foundations. She is now retired and living in Dublin, where she teaches Music Appreciation at Georgia Military College and gives occasional lectures on opera at the Douglass Theatre prior to the Metropolitan Opera in HD broadcasts.

**Dr. Kenneth Hammond** received an AB and an MA from the University of Georgia and a PhD from the University of Wisconsin. He retired from Mercer University in 1999 as Emeritus Professor of English, after over 40 years of teaching, with special interests in 19th-century British literature. In his retirement he gardens, cooks, reads a lot, and publishes a weekly calendar of mostly musical events for over a hundred interested folks. He is passionate about opera and serves as a member of the board of the Central Georgia Opera Guild. If pressed, he would say that his proudest accomplishment is to be the father of four quite different and very successful children.

**Dr. Christopher Blake** who was born, raised and educated in England, is President of Middle Georgia State University. He assumed his post on January 1, 2014. Blake has served since 2006 as president of Mount Mercy University, a four-year, co-educational Catholic liberal arts university located in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. He currently is on sabbatical for the 2013-14 academic year. At Mount Mercy, Blake led the institution to several milestones, notably the launch of graduate programs and their housing in a satellite campus that was granted from the federal government. Under Blake's tenure, the institution also begun offering athletic scholarships, revised its core curriculum and implemented a campus facilities plan.

**Vince Coughlin, J.D., LL.M.** is the founder of the WALL program, received a B.S. (Physics) from Bucknell University in 1963, an M.S. (Physics) from Franklin & Marshall College in 1973, a J.D. from the University of Toledo in 1977 and an LL.M. from Pennsylvania State University's Dickinson School of Law in 1990. He retired from General Electric as a Senior Patent Counsel to GE and RCA Licensing Operation. Vince has taught law-related courses at Harrisburg (PA) Area Community College, the University of South Carolina Aiken's Academy for Lifelong Learning and at WALL where he has served as the facilitator for Great Decisions since 2012. Vince's interests include Constitutional Law and Lifelong Learning.

**Jim Barfield** is a Macon native, career educator and published author, James Barfield is an exhaustive and enthusiastic expert on the history of Macon, Georgia. He has been active in historic preservation for more than 30 years and is a leading advocate for Macon's historic and architectural heritage. He is committed to educating and inspiring appreciation for our unique city.

**Dr. Jeff Seeley** is the Director of Music at Vineville United Methodist Church, and retired Associate Professor of Church Music at Mercer University. He is an ordained deacon in the South Georgia Annual Conference and has served United Methodist churches in various pastoral/musical roles for 40+ years.

**Joanna Watson**, is a Professor Dean Emerita Mercer University: Anthropology/Archaeology and Great Books in CLA.

**Dr. Jan Lewis** now retired, was the Chair of theatre at Wesleyan College and has taught Shakespeare for many years. Dr. Lewis joined the Wesleyan Theatre program in the fall of 2006 as a scholar, teacher, author and director. Prior to coming to Wesleyan she was a professional director, producer, playwright and actor for 20 years in theaters in and around Los Angeles.

**Dr. Vivia Fowler** is Wesleyan's 25th president, Dr. Vivia Lawton Fowler. A part of the Wesleyan family for ten years, first as academic dean and most recently as provost, Fowler brings to the position more than thirty years of experience in higher education, specifically at women's colleges.



# WALL Officers 2021—2022



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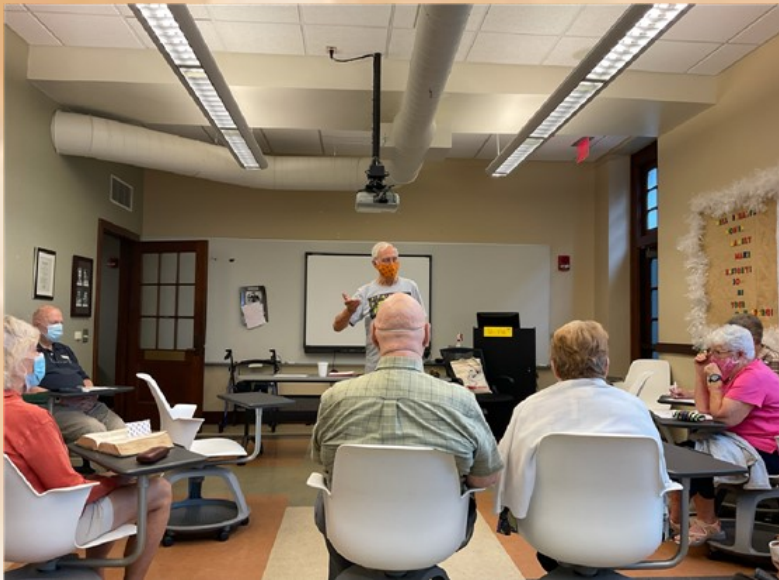
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# Get Involved Volunteer!



Wesleyan Academy is an all-volunteer organization. The commitment is reasonable, and we would love to hear from anyone who might be interested. Please contact Vince Coughlin at [vince.coughlin0826@gmail.com](mailto:vince.coughlin0826@gmail.com) Or Sandy Tharpe at [stharpe69@gmail.com](mailto:stharpe69@gmail.com)

Wesleyan College offers so much to our WALL members and to the community at large. Many events on campus are open to the public (most are free of charge).

[Click here or on the Wesleyan logo below for an updated list of the Arts and Cultural Events hosted](#)



[each month by Wesleyan.](#)

Don't forget that Wesleyan art galleries are open Monday-Friday from 1:30 - 5:00 PM and the Wesleyan Market is every 2nd Saturday from 9am-1pm.