

## OLLI Out of Town

### ○ National Plan for Vacation Day: Art and Religion in the Cyclades

- January 25, 2022  
3:00-4:30pm  
Speaker: **Road Scholar**



### National Plan for Vacation Day

The last Tuesday in January is annually celebrated as National Plan for Vacation Day. This year it falls on January 25th and, for the first time, OLLI Out of Town would like to recognize the day with the OLLI membership. It helps highlight the importance of taking time off to travel. Survey data has found that those who take time out to plan for and go on a vacation are overall healthier and happier.

January 25th will, also, highlight OLLI Out of Town's initial collaboration with Road Scholar to present one of its online programs. With small picturesque ports, lively tavernas, and blue-domed churches clustered alongside white sandy beaches, the Cyclades are many people's idyllic vision of Greece. In "Art and Religion in the Cyclades," we will join Dr. Chris Adamson, a classical archaeologist and educator, as he explores the islands long and rich history through the religious art produced there over the last five millennia. The lecture will examine the iconic minimalist figures of prehistoric "Cycladic Culture," known to have influenced modern artists such as Pablo Picasso and Henry Moore; we will look more closely at some familiar (and less familiar) masterpieces of Classical Greece produced in the islands, including Venus de Milo; and we will navigate the development of Greek Christian art in the islands through to the modern period.