# Osher at Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT) in Rochester, NY

Pfaudler Lecture Series: Thursdays, 12:15 - 1:30 p.m. ET

Week One: April 13

Is There a Solution to the Crime Wave in Monroe County?

Todd Baxter, Monroe County Sheriff



Sheriff Baxter has a long history in law enforcement and is actively working with our NYS legislators in Albany and Monroe County legislators to make our community safer. He continues to collaborate with our community stakeholders and lawmakers to make revisions to Criminal Justice Reform, in the best interest of public safety. Sheriff Baxter will detail his vision and progress.

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Week Two: April 20
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Your Children Are Very Greatly in Danger



Justin Murphy, Author and *Democrat & Chronical* Education Reporter
Justin Murphy makes the compelling argument that the educational disparities in Rochester
are the result of historical and present-day racial segregation. Education reform alone will
never be the full solution; to resolve racial inequity, cities such as Rochester must first
dismantle segregation. Referencing never-before-seen archival documents and scores of
new interviews, Murphy discusses how discriminatory public policy and personal prejudice
combined to create the racially segregated education system that exists in the Rochester
area today. **Book signing at Osher to follow the presentation.** 

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Week Three: April 27

A Distinguished and Varied Life in Musical Composition and Performance



Dr. Cary Ratcliff, Musician, Composer, Performer
A native of California, Cary Ratcliff settled in Rochester after attending the Eastman School of Music where he studied composition and contemporary piano. He served for three seasons as conductor for Eastman's Musica Nova program and Graduate Chamber Orchestra. He served as composer-in-residence at the Strasenburgh Planetarium where he created orchestral soundtracks for the Smithsonian's Air and Space Museum. Ratcliff is artistic director of Madrigalia chamber choir as well as music director for Bethany Presbyterian Church.

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Week Four: May 4 A Congressional Update



Joe Morelle, United States Congressman, NY 25th District

Congressman Morelle will discuss the state of national politics, his priorities in Congress, and how bipartisan collaboration can help advance our shared goals and effect long-term change. He is proud to represent New York's 25th Congressional District which includes Monroe County and a section of neighboring Orleans County.

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### Week Five: May 11

#### Tutankhamun: Documenting the Discovery of the Century



Sydney Greaves, Art Historian and Memorial Art Gallery's Estelle B. Goldman Museum Educator for Gallery Teaching

In November 1922 the name of Tutankhamun—a little-known boy king from 3,000 years ago—became a household name. The discovery of his tomb in the Valley of the Kings created a sensation that reverberates to this day. But how did it unfold? What did Howard Carter and his team find? How did the world find out? Follow a rough timeline of those exciting years as the treasures of Tutankhamun emerged and sparked "Egyptomania" around the world.

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# Week Six: May 18 Taking Charge of Change: The Rochester Area Community Foundation



Simeon Banister, CEO & President, Rochester Area Community Foundation (RACF) RACF, founded in 1972, is dedicated to empowering donors and community partners to strengthen the Rochester region. Prior to becoming CEO in October 2022, Simeon led the Community Programs department and was responsible for the Foundation's grant making and community leadership. This included RACF's ACT Rochester initiative, which focuses on community problem-solving through the collection and use of credible, independent, and timely data. Recently, the *Democrat & Chronicle* profiled Simeon where he shared his belief that Rochester is at a key inflection point. With us, he will delve more deeply into this theme and discuss how the Foundation is positioned to support our community into the future.

Register to attend: https://forms.gle/agYdP6f3xTu8VVjx5

### Week Seven: May 25 Healthy Aging Through Lifestyle Medicine



Dr. Susan Friedman, Founding Director, Highland Hospital Lifestyle Medicine Program Do you believe therapeutic lifestyle interventions can be a primary modality to treat chronic conditions including, but not limited to, cardiovascular diseases, type-2 diabetes, and obesity? Whole-person, prescriptive lifestyle changes can treat and, when used intensively, can often reverse such conditions. Applying the six pillars of lifestyle medicine—a whole- food, plant-predominant eating pattern, physical activity, restorative sleep, stress management, avoidance of risky substances, and positive social connections—also provides effective prevention for these conditions.

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## Week Eight: June 1

"And the Future Oscar Goes to...": Film Screenings of Budding RIT Animators and Filmmakers



mari jaye blanchard and the students of RIT's School of Film and Animation (SOFA) You won't want to miss this perennial favorite: the opportunity to screen the incredible work RIT student filmmakers are capable of, from funny animations to poignant stories about personal situations and relationships. These works are amazing. And yes, Oscar winners have come from the RIT SOFA: one example is the CGI'd tiger in the movie *The Life of Pi*.

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