



Evolution of the Modern Fairy Tale: From Brothers Grimm to Shrek

A PBS Adult Continuing Education Online Course

Open to All Interested Students

No Prerequisite Courses Required - Appropriate for All Students

Dates & Times

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 9:30 - 11am EST

- August 10, 12, 17, 19, 24, 26, September 2, 7, 2021

Course Information and Registration

- Class is LIVE & IN-PERSON on the Campus of Stony Brook University
- Tuition for full course, 8 sessions and 12 hours of class time, is \$375
- All students receive a Certificate of Completion
- Register with credit card online:

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Questions?

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When we think about fairy tales, what comes to mind are fairy godmothers, princesses trapped in towers, and princes who save them and live happily ever after. But where did the idea of the fairy tale begin and how did they evolve to what we know today? Did you know that fairy tales began as an oral tradition, told and passed down from generation to generation?

This class will explore the evolution of the fairy tale, beginning with defining characteristics of written fairy tales. Students will learn about famous and infamous fairy tale authors including Brothers Grimm, Hans Christian Andersen, Lewis Carroll and Charles Perrault. We will discuss fairy tales in film including Disney adaptations and more current fairy tales such as Shrek and Frozen.

We will also look at Broadway's adaptation of the modern fairy tale, including Beauty and the Beast, Cinderella, Shrek the Musical and The Little Mermaid. Students will have the opportunity to read about and discuss their favorite fairy tale. Students will be able to compare and contrast the original fairy tales to modern day fairy tales. Be prepared to learn about the evolution of the fairy tale and have some fun! And that is the moral of the story!

Your Instructor



Christina Mullady, is a lifelong resident of Long Island. Christina is an avid reader and enjoys books of all genres, however she has always enjoyed reading fairy tales and watching Disney movies based on the fairy tales she knows and loves. Her love of fairy tales began at a young age. Her interest in the history of fairy tales began when she received a collection of Hans Christian Anderson fairy tales for Christmas at the age of 12. Christina has had the pleasure of watching fairy tales on Broadway as well. Aside from her passion for reading and learning about fairy tale origins, Christina has a Masters in Special Education and is a Board Certified Behavior Analyst. She is excited about delving into the evolution of the fairy tale and sharing her passion with others!

PBS Adult Education classes are taught using various instructional methods tailored to the specific needs of adult learners. Students will be encouraged to develop critical thinking, research and study skills, and utilize technology for learning and collaboration. All students benefit from being engaged with interesting material and collaborating with other students.