***Making Connections*: Virtual Opening of ICLIP**

**The International Center for Life Story Innovations and Practice**

10:00-10:15 AM – Intro and Welcome: Dr. Juliette Shellman, Associate Professor, UConn School of Nursing

10:15-10:20 AM – Dean’s remarks: Dr. Deborah Chyun, Dean and Professor, UConn School of Nursing

10:20-10:30 AM – President’s remarks: Dr. Gerben Westerhof, Professor, University of Twente, Netherlands and President International Center for Life Story Innovations and Practice

10:30-10:45 AM – Keynote Speaker**:** Dr. Philippe Cappeliez, Emeritus Professor, Psychology, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Ottawa, Canada, and Past President, International Institute for Reminiscence and Life Review. **“*What makes ICLIP unique and necessary.”***

10:45-10:50 AM – AM Break

10:50-11:35 AM – Panel Discussion: The Power of Stories: Discovering the Experiences of Diverse Groups

1. Dr. Na-Rae Kim - 15 min.

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1. Anne Reeder, UConn Ph.D. student & Taryn Nguyen, (BS, ‘20) to present the study: *The Forgotten Experience: Recounting the Lives of Vietnamese Immigrants - 15 minutes*
2. Q&A with panelists – 15 minutes

11:35-12:00 PM – Meet Your Advisory Board – Juliette Shellman, Thomas Pierce, Gerben Westerhof, Lori Yancura, Alison Kris, Britta Nielson, Bill Randall, Myra Sabir, and Cheryl Brohard

12:00-12:30 PM – LUNCH BREAK

12:30-1:50 PM – Live Gatherly Sessions - 15 minutes each session – participants will choose two different sessions to attend. Each session will be presented twice.

Table presenters from 12:30-1:00 PM (Participants select 2 to attend) (Presentation 10 min with 5 minutes for Q & A)

1. *The Power of Stories: Bridging Cultural Divides* – Dr. Myra Sabir, Associate Professor, Binghamton University, SUNY   
2. Students Advancing Reminiscence Research Yuxuan Yang, UConn PhD student, Madisyn Longdin, UConn Dept. of

Psychology student, & Leah Graf, UConn School of Nursing student. *Surviving COVID: Older Adults’ Experiences and*

*Resilience.*3. The International Journal of Reminiscence and Life Review – Dr. Thomas Pierce, Professor of Psychology, Radford

University   
4. A Program of *Reminiscence Research in Jordan* – Dr. Abdallah Abu Khait, Assistant Professor, The Hashemite

University.  
5. *A Web-Based and Phone Intergenerational Intervention Using Reminiscence and Life Review Therapy to*

*Decrease Loneliness Among Older Adults During the COVID-19 Pandemic,* Breana Bietsch, PhD student, School of

Social Work.

Networking Lounge from 1:00-1:45 PM

People will have the opportunity to meet individually or in groups. Participants can move about freely from group to group.

Each group has an assigned host.

1. Guided Autobiography 2. Life Review and Reminiscence 3. Narrative 4. Life Story Graduate Certificate Program   
5. Life Story Innovations 6. Personal History 7. Life Story Work and Diverse Groups

8. 2021 Fall Conference 9. Using Reminiscence in Social Work