



Cambridge Senior Center (806 Mass. Ave.)
Art and Enrichment Classes



Introduction to Theatre

**Mondays,
1:30 – 2:30 p.m.**

In-person

This is an interactive class where we will read from the play, act out scenes, analyze characters and the plot. No prior theatre experience necessary.

A play that addresses topics both timeless and timely, "The Cry of the Reed" by Sinan Unel revolves around a journalist, covering unrest in the Middle East, who is detained by a group of insurgents. When they offer her the opportunity to make a phone call, she chooses to call her mother, from whom she has been estranged for over 10 years. Her mother is a scholar of the Sufi poet, Rumi, and is in Turkey, organizing a festival to celebrate the poet's work.

The play, while it explores the fragile, often fraught, sometimes volatile relationships between mothers and daughters against a background of conflict in the Middle East, is infused with the grace and beauty of Rumi's poetry and Sufi tradition. Among the questions it raises are, what determines the divide between "them" and "us," and how do we make our way through life, keeping our compassion intact?

To register, call the Council on Aging at 617-349-6220.



This program is for ages 60 years and older.

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