

# ◇ AESTHETIC REALISM AND MARRIAGE CLASS ◇

THE GREATEST PLEASURE a person can have is to be able to like the world on an honest basis, and every Aesthetic Realism class teaches how! There are classes in poetry, music, acting, anthropology, education, the visual arts. One of these classes is described below. Each class is based on these principles stated by Eli Siegel, the founder of Aesthetic Realism:

1. "All beauty is a making one of opposites, and the making one of opposites is what we are going after in ourselves."
2. "The greatest danger or temptation of man is to get a false importance or glory from the lessening of things not himself; which lessening is Contempt."

————— SATURDAY ✦ AUGUST 13 ✦ 11AM - 12:30PM —————

## *What's Said & Unsaid in Marriage— How Can We Make Sense of These?*

UNDERSTANDING MARRIAGE!—A CLASS OPEN TO ALL WOMEN

*Taught by There Are Wives:*

*Consultants Barbara Allen, Anne Fielding, & others*

In this exciting class women learn the basis for a kind, successful marriage—and it is the most romantic and practical thing for a wife to know: "The purpose of marriage is to like the world," Eli Siegel explained definitively. He also identified the thing that hurts, even ruins married life: it is that "people have tried to love in a way that would mean less like for the world—in fact, a contempt for it." The upcoming class will discuss these sentences:

Communication is the way a person makes his or her thoughts part of another person's life, or thoughts. The agonizing problem of today is that people can live together for years and really not transmit what they feel to each other. The fields that are not subjects of communication between the ordinary husband and wife are tremendous. All the things that haven't been said and could have been said, if brought together, would dazzle people with their revelatory quality and their beauty, maybe—also their surprisingness....You have to respect and like what you express yourself to before the job of communication can have a fair chance.

[*Aesthetic Realism Looks at Things: Communication* by Eli Siegel]

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**LEARNING TO LIKE THE WORLD—A CLASS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE**

*Taught by Aesthetic Realism Consultants Barbara Allen and Robert Murphy*

This class will not be held in June, July, and August, but will resume on **September 17, 2016.**

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