

◇ 2 AESTHETIC REALISM CLASSES ◇

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. And there are the two classes described below. They are 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 ◆ SEPTEMBER 9 ◆ 11 AM -12:30 PM ————

How Can a Wife & Husband Really Trust Each Other?

Taught by There Are Wives: Consultants Barbara Allen, Anne Fielding, Meryl Nietsch-Cooperman

UNDERSTANDING MARRIAGE!—A CLASS OPEN TO ALL WOMEN

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:

Everyone is looking for an answer to the question "Why am I not trusted?" Let's take Mrs. Fox. She thinks she is trusted partially by her husband. She, in turn, responds with partial trust of him. Both are correct. This is a question every person should ask: Will I be happy unless I feel I deserve to be trusted?... A crucial area as to trust is this: when you say you want someone to be happy, do you mean it, or are you putting on a show? The first thing in being trusted is that we be interested in the welfare of other people.

—Eli Siegel, from *The Right of Aesthetic Realism to Be Known* #1934

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———— SATURDAY ◆ SEPTEMBER 16 ◆ 11 AM -12:15 PM ————

Do We Want the World— of Sound, Sight, Taste, & More—to Add to Us?

LEARNING TO LIKE THE WORLD—A CLASS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

Taught by Aesthetic Realism Consultants Barbara Allen and Robert Murphy

This class for young people between the ages of 5 and 12 teaches that their, and everyone's, deepest desire is to like the world; and that everything—from a flower to mathematics to their mothers—can be used to like the world. The upcoming class will study the following sentences:

One way of describing the world is: Everything that can do something to you. Do you know everything that can do something to you?...Now things can do something to you in various ways. The moon can make you think about it; the wind can blow on you; a little girl can touch your hand, and make you think she's nice because she does this; a noise can frighten you. I've given you some samples of how the world does things to you, but there are so many, so many more."

Eli Siegel—from *Children's Guide to Parents & Other Matters*

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