

◇ 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 ◆ JULY 11 ◆ 11AM - 12:30 PM ————

What's the Big Mistake Wife & Husband Make about Other People?

UNDERSTANDING MARRIAGE CLASS—OPEN TO ALL WOMEN

Taught by There Are Wives: Consultants Barbara Allen, Anne Fielding, Pauline Meglino—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:

The purpose of loving one person is to love people and things in general. What happens most often is that through loving one person, we get to be less interested in people. We have a notion that since we've caged a person, our job of understanding other persons is over. And so the function of love—which is the understanding of people and reality as a whole through the close, musical, complete seeing of one person—is not kept to....Love for a person cannot be dissociated from love for people in general.

[From *Aesthetic Realism and People* 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 July and August, but will resume on **September 19, 2009.**

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