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cultural day

Sunday 1 November 2009

9:00 am – 4:00pm Philosophy House, 33 Aro Street, Wellington



**“Wonder is the feeling of the philosopher,
and philosophy begins in wonder.”**

Plato (427–347 B.C.), Greek philosopher

You (and your family and friends), are warmly invited to attend our cultural day, which offers a unique opportunity to explore various aspects of our history, our culture and our lives.

There will be an opportunity for you to participate in three workshops drawn from 12 being offered. Each workshop lasts 75 minutes, requires absolutely no previous knowledge of the subject, and will be interactive and practical so far as possible. Senior students of the School of Philosophy with a love of their subject will present the workshops.

The fee for the day, including lunch and refreshments, is \$35.00.

Programme

Arrival on the day is from 8:30am and the introduction will begin in the Hall at 9.00am. There will be three workshop sessions during the day, followed by a short session for feedback and music before closing at 4.00 pm. A light buffet lunch will be served between 12.15pm and 1.15pm.

How to Register

To reserve your place, please complete and detach the registration form enclosed and forward the form together with the payment of \$35.00 to your philosophy group secretary or tutor as soon as possible, but no later than Thursday 29th October.

On the registration form you are asked to nominate two workshops in order of preference for each session. Wherever possible your first choice will be accommodated.

Enquiries

Your group tutor or secretary will be happy to answer any queries you may have concerning the day, or call (04) 801 9823.

workshop details

Title	Tutor	Description
1 Education & Resilience	Mark Broadwith	Resilience is the capacity to recover from adversity in life and keep going, to keep facing change. How is this resilience developed? Does it relate to who we think we are?
2 Shakespeare's Philosophy	Bruce Dean	Shakespeare lived in dramatic times – but what was the thinking behind his works?
3 Vedic Mathematics – Maths or Magic?	John Allen	Exploring the magic, simplicity and delight of Vedic Mathematics
4 Socrates chose execution over liberty. Was this a reasonable choice?	Terry Connor	The oral philosophy and actions of Socrates as told by his student Plato has inspired the West for 2500 years. Why?
5 The Beauty of Cloisters – from the Medieval era	Anne-Marie Ngan	Discussing the role of cloisters e.g. meditation & study, the architecture and respective monastic orders.
6 Perspective Drawing	Adam Errington	Find the “vanishing point” and see in a new perspective. (numbers limited, materials provided).
7 Bede Griffiths – his life & his message	David Bott	Bede Griffiths was a student & friend of CS Lewis at Oxford, became a Benedictine monk and later founded an ashram in Southern India.
8 Who am I? What is this universe?	Cathy Dean	A journey through the history of these questions – through science & philosophy. Reviewing the 9-point circle from the Vedas as one model of how we might consider these questions.
9 Shakespeare in Primary Education	Elise Broadwith	A light-hearted, hands-on adventure into the effect of rich language in the junior classroom.
10 Internal Medical Morality	Dr Nick Crozier	Internal morality in medicine is under the spotlight e.g. the cervical smear experiment at National Woman's Hospital. These issues are discussed from the point of view of practical philosophy.
11 What is Space?	Bruce Dean	A presentation of the very large to the very small - just what is space.
12 Economics for everyday people	Jackie Bedford	What has economics got to do with you and me? Why didn't the “experts” see the credit crisis coming? A report from a recent economics week held in the Netherlands.

timetable & sessions

9.00am Welcome/Introduction

- 9.15am Session 1
- 1 Education & Resilience
 - 2 Shakespeare's Philosophy
 - 3 Vedic Mathematics
 - 4 Socrates chose execution

10.30am Morning Tea

- 11.00am Session 2
- 5 Beauty of Cloisters
 - 6 Perspective Drawing
 - 7 Bede Griffiths
 - 8 Who am I? What is this universe?

12.15am Lunch

- 1.15pm Session 3
- 9 Shakespeare in Education
 - 10 Internal Medical Morality
 - 11 What is Space?
 - 12 Economics for everyday people

2.30pm Afternoon Tea

3.00pm Feedback/discussion

3.45pm Music

4.00pm Close

Registration form

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Personal Details

Title: Dr / Mr / Mrs / Ms / Miss

First name _____

Surname _____

Contact phone number: _____

Day _____

Evening _____

The group I currently attend is at

- Wellington Masterton
 Palmerston North Christchurch

Tutor's name _____

Workshop preferences

Please use the numerical codes given in the Sessions Details section to nominate your two preferences for each session you wish to attend.

	1st Choice	2nd Choice
Session 1	_____	_____
Session 2	_____	_____
Session 3	_____	_____

Registration Fee

One flat rate for whole or part day attendance – **\$35.00** (includes lunch and refreshments)

Payment

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