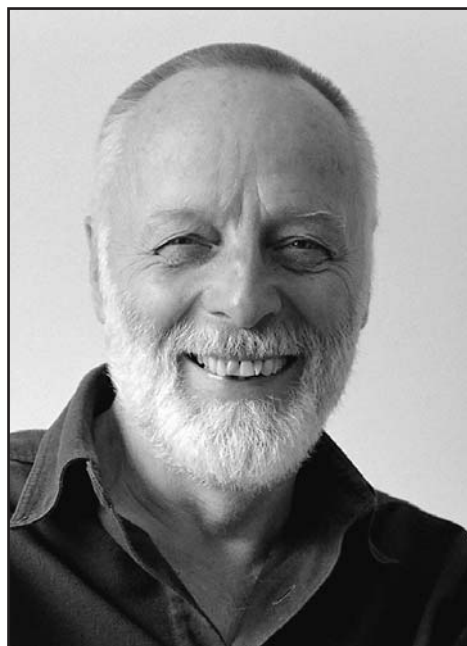


The NEWSLETTER

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What Does it Mean to Die?

Emile Polic —



(Emile — 1939 - 2006)

K tells us that we must die to live, die to the memory of the past that makes every moment a form of shadow boxing with the present.

Life is depth. Death is depth. To live fully is to die each passing moment. The old must die for the new to emerge. Memory sustains images that make our living a repeat performance. It only gives more of the same. Clinging to the performance is a denial of death and denial of death is a denial of depth. K tells us that we are fully alive when each moment is like the first moment.

What does it mean to die? Is it possible that we are so concerned with denying death that we fail to grasp its significance? Death is an immensity, a powerhouse, a finality. It is intrinsic to all things living and claims all of them in the end. Death is the ultimate silence and, paradoxically, silence is the immensity of a life lived in depth. Each moment lived dies. The death of each moment creates the space for the new to emerge. Life and death carry on together from moment to moment. There is beauty in life and there is beauty in death. They belong together, they work together. We separate them for our

convenience but in so doing we dilute their importance and deprive ourselves of the ecstasy of their depth.

We are creatures vibrating to the rhythm of our corporeal existence. We belong here, we find comfort and solace here and we are enthralled to be here. But it's all short lived. Life melts through us and physical death robs us of any semblance of permanence. So what of it?

Insight into the depth and breadth of our psychological programming can liberate us from the strangle-hold that our preoccupation with life and death have over us. When the divisions within us have been silenced through insight, the sacredness and the oneness of all of life becomes apparent. Then space is created in our being for the radiance of the singular energy that suffuses all things with its love and grace.

Editor's Note: We are saddened to report Emile Polic passed away suddenly of heart failure on Friday, March 10th. Emile was productively involved with the KICM for many years, and he continued to take a sincere interest in our activities after his move to Toronto. His wisdom, humour and friendship are deeply missed.

Replies or comments on Emile's article are welcome. We also encourage members to submit original essays of between 300 – 400 words or less. Please mail submissions to:

The Krishnamurti Information Centre of Montreal, P.O. Box 543, Station B, Montreal (Quebec) H3B 3K3

Or Email to: "Krishnamurti Montréal" kicmontreal@yahoo.ca



The Library

K's Collected Works

While the Krishnamurti Foundation Trust in England manages the copyright of K's writings from 1969-1986, The Krishnamurti Foundation of America manages the copyrights from 1933-1968. Krishnamurti Publications of America, the publishing arm of the KFA, has produced a series of 17 volumes comprised of the transcripts of over 800 talks and 2700 questions and answers. Entitled *The Collected Works of Krishnamurti* the series reveals the "organic evolution of Krishnamurti's philosophic convictions" through 1933-1968. The titles are as follows:

- Volume I * The Art of Listening – 1933-1934
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- Volume III The Mirror of Relationship – 1936-1944
- Volume IV The Observer is the Observed – 1945-1948
- Volume V * Choiceless Awareness – 1948-1949
- Volume VI * The Origin of Conflict – 1949-1952
- Volume VII * Tradition and Creativity – 1952-1953
- Volume VIII * What Are You Seeking? – 1953-1955
- Volume IX The Answer is in the Problem – 1955-1956
- Volume X A Light to Yourself – 1956-1957
- Volume XI Crisis in Consciousness – 1958-1960
- Volume XII There is No Thinker, Only Thought – 1961
- Volume XIII A Psychological Revolution – 1962-1963
- Volume XIV The New Mind – 1963-1964
- Volume XV The Dignity of Living – 1964-1965
- Volume XVI The Beauty of Death – 1965-1966
- Volume XVII Perennial Questions – 1966-1967

* Indicates these items are available in our library.

Books from the series, which are in paperback, can be ordered from:

The Krishnamurti Foundation of America
P.O. Box 1560, Ojai, California, 93024-1560
Telephone: 805-646-2726, ext. 17, 9 am - 4 pm., mon-fri.
Fax: 805-646-6674
Or from the website bookstore at: www.kfa.org

Video Update

(purchased in 2005)

Saanen, Switzerland 1978

- 2nd public dialogue
- Finding Out What Love Is

Saanen, Switzerland 1979

- 2nd public talk
- Can We Together Create a Good Society?

Rajghat, India 1985

- 1st public talk
- Whatever You Think You Are

Rajghat, India 1985

- 2nd public talk
- What Are You?

Rajghat, India 1985

- 3rd public talk
- What Is Goodness?

Madras, India 1985

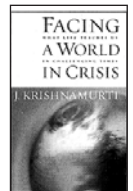
- 3rd public talk
- The Shallowness of Life Without Passion

New Publication

Madras, India 1985

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J. Krishnamurti



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- J. Krishnamurti.

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The Book Of Life

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Questioner:

While I am here listening to you, I seem to understand, but when I am away from here, I don't understand, even though I try to apply what you have been saying.

Krishnamurti:

... You are listening to yourself, and not to the speaker. If you are listening to the speaker, he becomes your leader, your way to understanding – which is a horror, an abomination, because you have then established the hierarchy of authority. So what you are doing here is listening to yourself. You are looking at the picture the speaker is painting, which is your own picture, not the speaker's. If that much is clear, that you are looking at yourself, then you can say, "Well, I see myself as I am, and I don't want anything to do about it" – and that is the end of it. But if you say, "I see myself as I am, and there must be a change," then you begin to work out of your own understanding – which is entirely different from applying what the speaker is saying... But if, as the speaker is speaking, you are listening to yourself, then out of that listening there is clarity, there is sensitivity; out of that listening the mind becomes healthy, strong. Neither obeying nor resisting, it becomes alive, intense – and it is only such a human being who can create a new generation, a new world.

Vancouver



The Krishnamurti Educational Centre of Canada

We have received official confirmation regarding the closure of the Krishnamurti Educational Centre of Canada, located near Victoria, British Columbia. The patrons and directors, Drs. J.K. and S.K. Siddoo have permanently ceased the KECC's Krishnamurti-related activities in December 2004. The property and former Swanwick Study Centre have not been sold, but are being offered to groups as a rented retreat facility.

For information, please phone; 1-604-926-9800.

News and Notes

IN APPRECIATION

Once again, the Newsletter, poster and pamphlet/brochure have been produced, thanks to the generous ongoing support of: "Flip Image Communications Inc."

VOLUNTEERS

Secretary - We would like to thank Eric Pagé, who has stepped aside, for filling the post of Secretary for the past year.

We are pleased to announce we have two new volunteers:

- Dr. Muthu Packirisamy, who will work on the future KICM Website.
- Christian Lefebvre, who will fill the post of Secretary and help with proofreading the Newsletter's French texts.

THE KICM PERSONNEL :

- President and Librarian
- Mary Kowalchuk
- Vice-President and Newsletter Prod.
- Pierre Denault
- Treasurer and Newsletter Editor
- David Rose
- Secretary and French Proofreading
- Christian Lefebvre

PARTICIPATION

The Editor welcomes any news items or articles of between 300-400 words from our readers.

Please forward submissions by mail to KICM address. (page 4)

News from around the World

News From Brockwood Park Accreditation Report

The schools at Brockwood Park recently received a very favourable review from the Office for Standards in Education (Ofsted) for the British government. The report confirmed Brockwood's suitability to continue to operate as an independent school. The following are short excerpts from the Ofsted report:

"Brockwood Park is an distinctive school with clearly stated aims and an ethos based on the philosophy of J. Krishnamurti. Both parts of the school [Brockwood Park School and Inwoods Small School], offer high quality education to their pupils with a strong and effective emphasis on environmental awareness. The setting of both schools is conducive to learning and all members of the community contribute to sustaining this".

"The international composition and background of the school and its pupils provide rich opportunities for spiritual, moral, social and cultural development. Built into the school's week are regular times for contemplation and reflection through silence, quiet or dialogue. Strong emphasis is placed on understanding right and wrong. (...) There is also a strong emphasis on art, music and theatre(...). Pupils accept a wide range of responsibilities whether for maintaining the environment, growing vegetables, studying herbs and their applications, refurbishing

the recording studios or rebuilding the eco-kitchen..."

The complete Ofsted Report can be viewed at www.brockwood.org.uk.

Events at Brockwood

The Krishnamurti Centre at Brockwood Park has announced the following theme weekends and retreats for the spring and summer of 2006:

21 to 23 April: Inquiring into the Nature of Thought.

5 to 8 May : Dialogues in French
20 May: An Introduction to the Teachings.

26 to 28 May: Open Dialogue.

17 June: An Introduction to the Teachings.

23 to 25 June: Who am I?

28 July to 2 August: Living the Teachings in Daily Life.

19 August: An Introduction to the Teachings.

To Make reservations or request further information contact:

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Tel.: (from Canada): 011-44-1962-771-748

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info@krishnamurticentre.org.uk

www.krishnamurticentre.org.uk

International Teachings Website

The Krishnamurti Foundation Trust in England, The Krishnamurti Foundation of America, and The Krishnamurti Foundation India have

collaborated to produce a new website which will provide audio and video streaming, as well as the texts, of many of Krishnamurti's talks. Online users can now watch, listen and read specific talks and dialogues, or download a monthly book chapter of K's writings. The material on the site comes from the Foundations archives, and soon there will be a link to access an estimated 100 terabyte digital repository, the Global Digital Archive which would make available Krishnamurti's unpublished work.

The address of the Teachings of J. Krishnamurti International Website, which has been receiving up to 1,500 visitors a day, is : www.jkrishnamurti.org

Gathering at Ojai

The annual Spring Gathering at Ojai, California, will take place on the weekend of April 29-30. The event features dialogue groups, video screenings, and a Archive Exhibit of photographs, texts and other items from the collection of the Krishnamurti Foundation of America. The program is free, except for a modest charge for optional meals.

For more information contact:

The Krishnamurti Foundation of America

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Website: www.kfa.org

Library Hours

Every Wednesday; 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM by appointment only.

Please contact Mary to arrange an appointment (by Tuesday evening at the latest) and feel free to call anytime with questions pertaining to the library.

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