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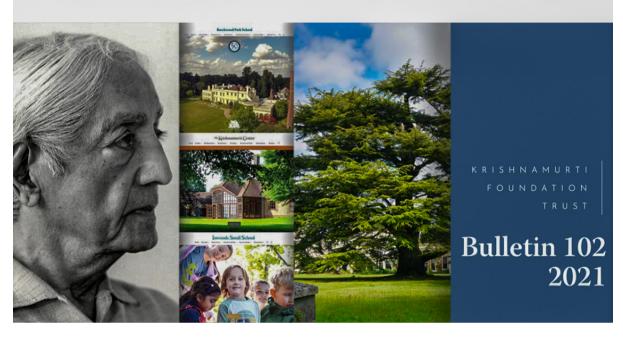
Previously these newsletters have published the content of two public exhibitions focused on the teachings of J. Krishnamurti. "To The Young" and "World In Crisis".

These two exhibitions were developed by Vikram Parchure a designer exploring design as an instrument of social change and value education. He had his formal training at the National Institute of Design, Ahmedabad, and has explored design in the context of diverse fields. He has been involved with curriculum design in mainstream and progressive education, the design of learners' aids in adult literacy and non-formal education programmes, the design of conscience raising programmes for the socially oppressed, and the teaching of value education through theatre. He innovated a pilot heritage education programme near Chennai to address issues of cultural alienation in contemporary society.

Vikram has developed a third exhibition entitled "The Only Revolution". It has been unable to be exhibited publicly due to restrictions caused by the pandemic. However, a panel from the exhibition will be published in this newsletter over the coming months.

Our thanks to Vikram Parchure and The Anveekshana Foundation, Thailand for permission to show these panels.

The Krishnamurti Foundation Annual Bulletin



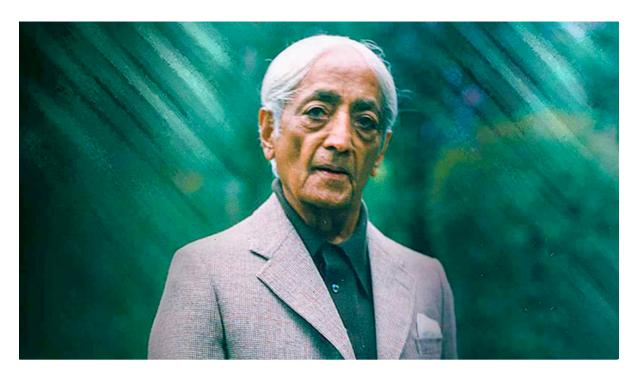
This new edition of the Krishnamurti Foundation Trust Bulletin features pieces on choiceless awareness, attachment, public opinion, and seeking what Krishnamurti refers to as the religious mind.

It highlights a new book edition, and includes an in-depth media report on the varied ways the Foundation is making Krishnamurti's teachings available to ever-wider audiences, along with information about free publications and rare archive photographs.

Access the Bulletin here.

"If the young have not that revolutionary discontent, they are already old."

- J. Krishnamurti



"As I was saying if the young have not that revolutionary discontent, they are already old; and the old are those who were once discontented, but have settled back. They want security, they want permanency, either in their jobs or in their souls. They want certainty in ideas, in relationship, or in property. If in you, who are young, there is a spirit of inquiry which makes you want the truth of anything, of any political action whether of the left or of the right, and if you are not bound by tradition, then you will be the regenerators of the world, the creators of a new civilisation, a new culture. But, like the rest of us, like the past generation, young people also want security, certainty. They want jobs, they want food, clothing and shelter, they don't want to disagree with their parents because it means going against society. Therefore, they fall in line, they accept the authority of older people. So, what happens? The discontent which is the very flame of inquiry, of search, of understanding - that discontent is made mediocre, it becomes merely a desire for a better job, or a rich marriage, or a degree. So, their discontent is destroyed, it merely becomes the desire for more security. Surely, what is essential for the old and for the young is to live fully, completely. But you see, there are very few people who want to live completely. To live fully and completely, there must be freedom, not an acceptance of authority; and there can be freedom only when there is virtue. Virtue is not imitation; virtue is creative living. That is, creativeness comes through the freedom which virtue brings; and virtue is not to be cultivated, it does not come through practise, or at the end

of your life. Either you are virtuous and free now, or you are not. And to find out why you are not free, you must have discontent, you must have the intention, the drive, the energy to enquire; but you dissipate that energy sexually, or through shouting political slogans, waving flags, merely imitating, or passing examinations for a better job."

J. Krishnamurti

4th Public Talk, Bangalore, India, 1984

The Collected Works of J. Krishnamurti, Vol. V. p. 34 - 35

The Core of the Teachings



"When I was 20 I read "Freedom From the Known"... and it shook me when Krishnamurti talked about the observer and the observed. Even if I don't remember everything the book said, it made me realise there was something big to explore." – Vincent H.

Over the next issues of this newsletter five interviews from friends of the Krishnamurti Foundation of America are presented with them talking about the impact Krishnamurti's teachings have had in their lives and how the teachings are relevant to young people and society today.

Watch here.

Krishnamurti Podcasts



Conversation with Ronald Eyre

Ronald Eyre was a leading director for cinema, opera, television and the theatre. He was nominated for a Tony Award in 1975 as Best Director. He was also a television presenter and writer. His most well-known series was The Long Search, a survey of world religions.

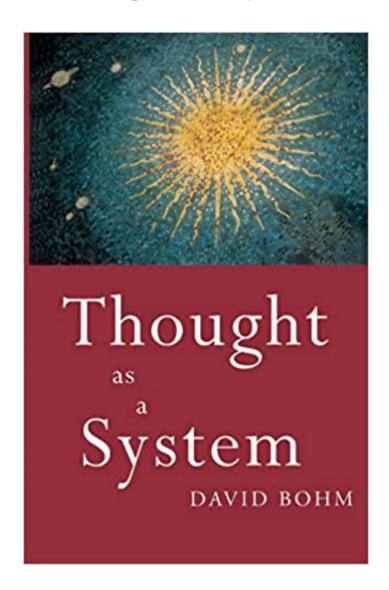
Recorded at Brockwood in 1984, this conversation with Krishnamurti explores playfulness and distraction, the cycle of fear, and whether we do anything we love. Krishnamurti asks if we are afraid of life. What are love and death? Why is there such a tremendous craving inwardly? What is the root of fear? Why does thought enter into the realm of the

psyche? What is creation that is not born out of knowledge?

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Book Review "Thought as a System"



Although they are not listed in the Library Catalogue, The Krishnamurti Postal Lending Library contains several books by the late David Bohm.

According to David Moody:

"David Bohm was forty three years old when he met Krishnamurti, and Krishnamurti was sixty six. The year was 1961, and their work together continued for a quarter of a century, until Krishnamurti died in 1986. During those twenty five years, the two men participated together in one hundred and forty four recorded dialogues. Many of these were with various groups of people, but there were thirty recorded conversations consisting of just the two men talking together. These were published in a series of books, including Truth and Actuality, The Ending of Time, The Limits of Thought, and The Future of Humanity"

Bohm became very interested in the process of Dialogue, a system of communication and enquiry encouraged by Krishnamurti. After Krishnamurti's death, David held weekend seminars at Ojai, California for several years, with some fifty participants. Recordings of these can be found on YouTube, and a transcript of the dialogue in 1990 was published as a book with the title "Thought as System".

The book "Thought as a System" gave rise to a booklet, "On Dialogue", which has been previously reviewed by the Krishnamurti Postal Lending Library. Also the book is currently the subject of study by a discussion group, (originally NZ based but now has broadened to international participants), that dialogues through Zoom on Friday nights.

The book has a Foreward by Lee Nichol, which starts:

"In Thought as a System theoretical physicist David Bohm takes as his subject the role of thought and knowledge at every level of human affairs, from our private reflections on personal identity to our collective efforts to fashion a tolerable civilisation. Elaborating upon principles of the relationship between mind and matter first put forward in his book "Wholeness and the Implicate Order", Dr Bohm rejects the notion that our thinking processes neutrally report on what is 'out there' in an objective world. He explores the manner in which thought actively participates in forming our perceptions, our sense of meaning, and our daily actions. He suggests that collective thought and knowledge have become so automated that we are in large part controlled by them, with a subsequent loss of authenticity, freedom and order. In the three days of conversation with fifty seminar participants in Ojai, California, Dr Bohm offers a radical perspective on an underlying source of human conflict, and inquires into the possibility of individual and collective transformation."

In this book, Professor Bohm essentially redefines thought. He proposes that body, emotion, intellect, reflex and artifact are one unbroken field of mutually informing thought. That is what is meant by "thought as a system" – concrete as well as abstract, active as well as passive, collective as well as individual.

Finally, an excerpt from the book itself:

"As I've pointed out, one of the key difficulties has always been that thought does something and then says what it is doing is not thought. Thought creates a problem and then tries to do something about it while continuing to make the problem, because it doesn't know what it is doing. It's all a bunch of reflexes working".

"Thought as a System" is just one of the many books available for free loan from the Krishnamurti Postal Lending Library. The full list can be found at https://www.kanz.org.nz/library

Christchurch Dialogue Meeting

We will read and discuss the digital booklet *The Real Crisis* released by Krishnamurti Foundation India in 2020. This month we will study pages 16–20.

Download the text here.

Download the full booklet here.

Monday, 28 March, 6:30pm - 9:00pm 21 Brodie Street, Ilam, Christchurch

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