

## KANZ NEWS – November 2016

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### **So you see man is imprisoned by innumerable walls ...**

Have you ever noticed that we build a fence round ourselves? A fence of self-protection, a fence to ward off any hurts, a barrier between you and the other, between you and your family, and so on. Right?

(Source: Krishnamurti, Last Talks at Saanen)

So you see man imprisoned by innumerable walls, walls of religion, of social, political and national limitations, walls created by his own ambitions, aspirations, fears, hopes, security, prejudices, hate, and love. Within these barriers and prisons he is held, limited by the coloured maps of national boundaries, racial antagonisms, class struggles, and cultural group distinctions. Through these walls and through these enclosures he is trying to express what he feels and what he thinks. And the man who succeeds in making himself comfortable in the prison we call "successful".

(Source: The Collected Works)

It's no measure of health to be well adjusted to a profoundly sick society.

(Source: Commentaries on Living)

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The image and quotes above are taken from a series of exhibition panels created by Vikram Parchure. The title of the exhibition is "To the Young".

Vikram is a designer exploring design as an instrument of social change and value education.

Krishnamurti's deep concern for the young led him to exhort youth to insightfully understand that the old ways of problem-solving will prove too inadequate to deal with the complexity of present-day world dilemmas. He said that only a mind that is fresh, youthful, perceptive and ever-willing to face the challenges of uncertainty can deal with this challenge successfully. What makes for such a youthful quality of mind, regardless of the body's physical age? This is the vitally important question that is explored in these panels.

Each KANZ newsletter is presenting one of the panels developed by Vikram for the reader's interest and reflection on the key themes of this exhibition.

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## **New Zealand Gathering**

**3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> February 2017, Aio Wira Retreat Centre, Swanson**

# FACING WHAT LIFE TEACHES US A WORLD IN CHALLENGING TIMES IN CRISIS

J. KRISHNAMURTI



**The Krishnamurti Association in New Zealand will be holding a Gathering in early February 2017 at the Alo Wira Retreat Centre near Swanson.**

The Gathering will start at midday, with lunch, on the Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> and

finish on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> following lunch.

The programme will focus on Krishnamurti's theme of "Facing a World in Crisis" and will include a mix of videos related to the theme and group dialogues where Krishnamurti's teachings can be explored in more depth. If the weather permits there will be opportunity for walks as the Centre is located in the beautiful Waitakere Ranges West of Auckland. It is also just 10 minutes' drive from Te Henga/Bethells Beach.

Please refer to the KANZ web site [www.kanz.org.nz](http://www.kanz.org.nz) for booking information.

### **Facing a World in Crisis**

Human history, it seems, has never before witnessed a crisis of the complexity, magnitude, and catastrophic sweep that is being experienced today by mankind and the planet we live on.

Its impact is visible in every sphere of our life and is marked by an erosion of values, the collapse of faiths, traditions and ideologies, the breakdown of relationships, and the savage destruction of the earth.

What is more, the rapid and intricate networking of the world's societies has ensured that the crisis is brought to every doorstep –yours and mine – without choice, without option.

Nearly a century ago, Krishnamurti saw all this coming. Witness to the dramatic events of the 20th century and endowed with a capacity for acute observation and profound insight, he gave the most brilliant expression to the causes that brought on, and continue to fuel, the global crisis:

*"We are facing a tremendous crisis which the politicians can never solve. Nor can the scientists understand or solve the crisis, nor yet the business world, the world of money. The turning point is not in politics, in religion, in the scientific world; it is in our consciousness."*

From "The Network of Thought"

Facing a World in Crisis Talk by J. Krishnamurti – [download here](#)

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## Upcoming International Gatherings

### Australia

9th to 16th November 2016

Springbrook, Queensland

click [here](#) for full details

### Thailand

3rd to 7th December 2016

Chestnut Hill Eco Resort

click [here](#) for full details

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## Krishnamurti Foundation of America Gathering – May 2016

The KFA held their Annual Gathering in early May. This involved about 20 different programs, spread over two days, exploring Krishnamurti's teachings through presentations, dialogues, workshops and watching recordings of Krishnamurti's talks. Below you'll find the last two of the recordings in this series.



## **1st Public Talk in Madras, 1979**

### ***The Seed of a Million Years***

If we are not capable of listening we are not capable of learning. That is, not from the teacher, from the professor, from a book, but listening to the vast depths of one's own existence, one's own anxiety. Have you ever listened to your anxiety? That is, to listen to it so that you are not escaping from it, you are not trying to translate what it must be, what it should be, or trying to go beyond it. Just to listen to that feeling that comes about when one is anxious.

You need to have a sharpness, a quickness because in those moments of great anxiety, the moment you listen they slip away.

Listen [here](#).



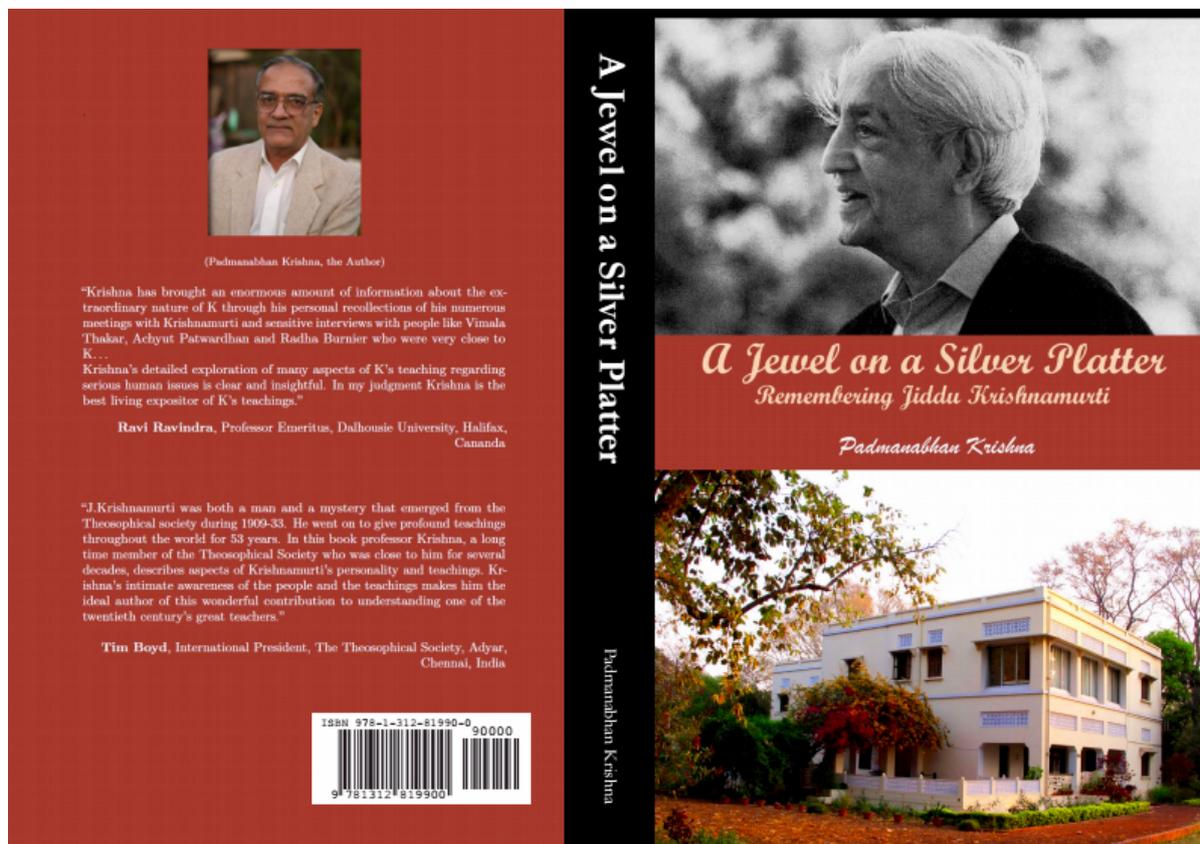
## **Oak Grove School**

### ***Dr. Vandana Shiva – Earth Day***

In celebration of sustainable living, global awareness, and the joy of nature, four Ojai-based organisations teamed up to host this once-a-year free community event. Over 2,300 people were in attendance. The day included live entertainment, world food, environmental presentations and exhibits, art, field play, yoga, community involvement, and great ideas for our world.

Watch the video [here](#).

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## A Jewel on a Silver Platter

Padmanabhan Krishna

This recently revised book gives an intimate portrayal of the philosopher sage Jiddu Krishnamurti by several of his colleagues who knew him over many decades and interacted with him closely. It reveals several aspects of the man and investigates his teachings in depth. The author, Professor P.Krishna, was a Professor of Physics and was closely associated with him for nearly 3 decades. He has lectured all over the world, including New Zealand, and conducted dialogues about Krishnamurti's teachings.

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Published: June 20, 2015

Pages: 441

Format: PDF 29.52 MB

This book can be ordered online from: [www.lulu.com](http://www.lulu.com).



## Think on These Things - Asking Questions About Oneself

"Think on These Things" is a study programme developed by the Krishnamurti Foundation of America.

Its intent is to engage people in asking fundamental questions of themselves and to bring about the space necessary for a deeper self-inquiry and self-understanding.

The questions asked are meant to challenge the deeply held assumptions we have about ourselves and about our life.

The issues explored within the programme are widely relevant, regardless of age, background or education. They can be focused on by someone on their own, or discussed within a group.

Think on These Things will cover thirteen topics and questions over the coming months.

Last month we covered "Loneliness". This month the subject is "Happiness".

1. **Authority** - What is the role of authority in our lives?
2. **Education** - Why are you educated?
3. **Listening** - Is it possible to listen impartially?
4. **Meaning** - What makes life really worth living for you?
5. **Identity** - Why do you identify with anything at all?
6. **Violence** - Where does violence begin and end?
7. **Comparison** - Why do we compare?
8. **Success** - Why do you want to become anything at all?
9. **Fear** - What is the effect of fear on your mind and on your actions?
10. **Truth** - How do you know if something is true?
11. **Loneliness** - What does loneliness feel like?
12. **Happiness** - Can there be happiness without pleasure?
13. **Freedom** - Are you free?

## Think on These Things – "Happiness"

The aim of this programme is to present a series of challenging questions for a person, or a group, to observe openly, and without pre-conception, what these questions mean.

**Questions:** Can there be happiness without pleasure?

### Sub-Questions (To help with this enquiry):

Is happiness important?

Is it you who is happy, or is there just happiness?

**Video:** [Does Pleasure Bring Happiness?](#)

San Diego, 1974

**Text:** [What Are We Seeking?](#)

The First and Last Freedom

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## Christchurch Dialogue Meeting

**Theme:** What is the Self?

*If one really looks at oneself, one sees that it is a mass of accumulated experiences, wounds, pleasures, ideas, concepts, words. That is what we are: a bundle of memories.*

*Jiddu Krishnamurti*

**Sunday, 27 November, 1:30 pm – 4:00 pm**

**Christchurch City South Library Learning Centre**

**66 Colombo Street, Sydenham Room**

(Please use the back door to the right of the main door)

**Enquiries:** [aakaasha@ihug.co.nz](mailto:aakaasha@ihug.co.nz), 03 329 4789

**Text:** What is the Self? – download [here](#)

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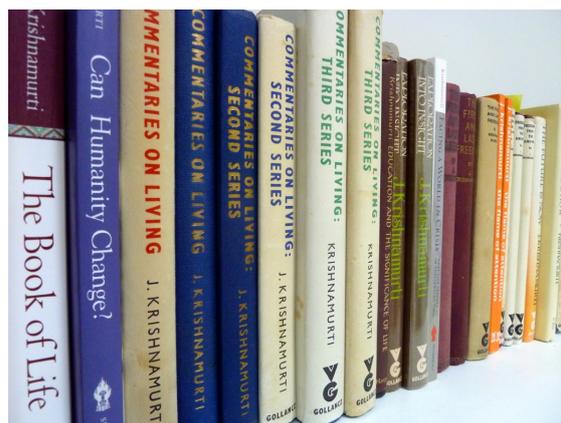
## Showings of Krishnamurti videos and group dialogues:

### CHRISTCHURCH

– monthly: contact Pauline Matsis 03 312 1470 / paulinematsis@clear.net.nz  
 – monthly: contact Kyoko Giebel 03 329 4789 / aakaasha@ihug.co.nz

### AUCKLAND

– the last Sunday of every month: contact Krishna Umariya 09 488 7482 / krishna.umariya@gmail.com



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