

Dunedin has joined the many cities in the world in which a University of the Third Age has been founded

Beginning in France in the mid seventies the U3A movement has now spread to most countries and has many hundreds of thousands of members.

U3A is a response to the idea that human life is divided into three periods: firstly, childhood and schooling; secondly, child rearing and work; and thirdly retirement.

The third age is seen to provide the greatest opportunities for learning and understanding because it is during this period of retirement that the idea of a university as a community of those who seek greater understanding through learning can be put into practice.

The unique characteristics of U3A

- Learning topics are selected by the members
- Indepth courses are planned by members
- Opportunities for reading, research and discussion are provided
- Presenters/facilitators are usually members of the groups
- The company of others who enjoy learning is ensured
- The atmosphere for learning is informal and friendly
- There are no examinations
- There are no compulsory activities
- Courses take place during daylight hours
- Costs are minimal and within the reach of everybody

ADMINISTRATION

Dates: Thursdays

Time: 10.00am-12.00

Fee: \$40.00

Tea and coffee provided

Enrolments -Limited to 35

You are able to enrol in more than one programme (subject to numbers).

If you wish to enrol for more than one programme, you *must indicate your choice* on the Enrolment Form.

To be received on or before Friday 23rd February 2001

Unless you are contacted beforehand you may assume you are in the class.

Venue:

All sessions are held in the Chapel at Salmond Hall

Session Leaders

Ken Fraser

John Newton (Chairman)

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U3A Dunedin
Charitable Trust

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Six Compelling Topics.

8 March -12 April 2001

Rodgers & Associates
Law Practice

SIX COMPELLING TOPICS

1st choice __ 2nd choice __ 3rd choice __

Please tick appropriate spaces.

Surname: _____ M __ F __

Name for Name Tag: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Payment

Course Fee: \$40

Cheques payable to Rodgers and Associates

Please complete and return to:

U3A Dunedin Charitable Trust

Rodgers and Associates

P O Box 6200

Dunedin North

on or before Friday 23rd February 2001

Enquiries to:

U3A

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The Programme

The aim of the course is to provoke a robust exchange of views and ideas on some of the most contentious issues confronting New Zealand Society. Culture and Bigotry - Education - Crime - Marriage - The Poor - Christianity.

Format: Two presenters will speak to the topic for about 12 minutes each. These presentations will be followed by course discussion groups with the aim of identifying statements and questions which either support or challenge the presenters views.

During the second part of each session the presenters will form a panel and enter into further discussion and debate with course members.

Chairman -John Newton will be our chairman, arbiter and referee.

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PROGRAMME 2001

(Thursdays 10.00-12.00)

Salmond Hall -Chapel

- March 8* **NZ Culture.** What is it and is it fuelling an emerging bigotry?
Eldora Gilbert and Bill Thomas
- March 15* **Education.** For what? and is it worth it?
Peter Cameron and Neil Borland
- March 22* **Crime.** Who's winning and why?
Fred Fastier and Ron Gilbert
- March 29* **Marriage.** Does it have a future or does anything go?
John Newton and Anneka de Castro
- April 5* **The Poor.** Our mature views on "how to get rid of the poor"
Robin Smith and Ken Fraser
- April 12* **Christianity.** Will its tenets still be relevant in NZ in the 21st century?
Stan Andrews and Robin Smith

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