### THE UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE

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
- · In depth 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 reach of everybody

The U3A Dunedin Charitable Trust has recently entered into a partnership with the University of Otago which will enhance their shared community of interest by continuing to provide a programme of non-credit educational courses while further utilising the expertise and resources of the University.

#### **ADMINISTRATION**

### DO WE GET THE MEDIA WE DESERVE?

Dates: 7 June to 19 July Time: 10.00 am - noon

Fee: \$30

Tea and coffee provided

### Enrolments -- limited to 50

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 mid-day Wednesday, 10 May. After the draw those who were unsuccessful will be notified by 19 May.

### Venue

All sessions are held in the Lecture Room, Salmond Hall, Knox Street.

# Course Organiser

Don Feist (476 3268)

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1st choice 2nd choice 3rd choice Please tick appropriate spaces.
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U3A Rodgers and Associates 151-155 Princes Street PO Box 6200 Dunedin

on or before noon

Wednesday, 10 May 2006.

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## The Programme

Newspapers, magazines, radio, television -- we can hardly escape their influence, and if we do, briefly, when on holiday, we may well suffer withdrawal symptoms.

Today's media perform a service we would hardly want to be without, informing, entertaining, and shaping our thinking -- shaping perhaps not only our thinking but also our society, and the events they report and comment on. How far does that influence, in fact, reach? Are these media our servants, or have they become in some degree our masters?

This course will focus not so much on describing, but rather on evaluating the media today, and the effect they have, for better or for worse, on us individually, on our society, and on our world. There will be time for discussion in each session.

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# LECTURE PROGRAMME 2006

Wednesdays 10.00 am - noon Venue: Lecture Room, Salmond hall

7 June The Media, Politicians and Politics
Speaker: Dr Chris Rudd

14 June Media from Cave Drawings to
Blogging

Speaker: Geoff Adams

21 June Television: Can you Afford what you Want?

Speaker: Lorraine Isaacs

28 June Advertising — Have the Media Sold their Souls?

Speaker: Keith Harrison

5 July Making the Best Use of the Media Speaker: Rodney Bryant

12 July Freedom and Responsibility in the Media

Speaker: Iain Gallaway

19 July **From Blogging to ??**Speaker: Geoff Adams

RETAIN THIS PORTION -- remember your 1st choice