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Why Are the Walls Empty?

Join us on February 16th at 7:30 p.m. at 700 Hartford Turnpike in Hamden to take up the question: Can Humanism fall in love with art, or why are the walls empty?

The pros and cons of this possibility will be bounced back and forth by an eager panel of diverse persuasion. With the moderation of Nick Orsini to keep the participants from engaging in political excesses the panel will comprise these distinguished combatants: David Schafer, a long time and resilient debater; Walter Wells, our artistic guru whose experience and knowledge baffles us all; Bill Goward, whose rationality we rely on; and professor Charles Wieder a quiet but not to be undermined philosopher, a wanderer from the academic world and new to our shores with a penetrating grasp of the issue.

The aforementioned moderator, Nick Orsini, will set the scene and will step back to observe the spark.

This exciting event will take place at 700 Hartford Turnpike in Hamden on February 16th, starting with coffee and goodies at 7:30 p.m. and the presentation at 8:00 p.m. Bring a friend!

Calendar of Events

FEBRUARY, 2004

Mon., 16	Monthly meeting, USNH, 700 Hartford Turnpike, Hamden	7:30 p.m.
	Coffee and conversation	7:30 p.m.
	Main program. Nicholas Orsini — <i>Humanism and the Arts</i>	8:00 p.m.
Sun., 22	Board meeting, USNH, 700 Hartford Turnpike, Hamden	2:00 p.m.
Wed., 25	Dinner at the Curtis House, 506 Main Street South, Woodbury	7:00 p.m.
Sat., 28	Humanist Conversations, USNH, 700 Hartford Turnpike, Hamden — <i>Background of the Civil Rights Movement</i>	2:30 p.m.

MARCH, 2004

Mon., 1	Dinner at Pasta Fair, 262 Boston Post Road, Orange	7:00 p.m.
Mon., 15	Monthly meeting, USNH, 700 Hartford Turnpike, Hamden	7:30 p.m.
	Coffee and conversation	7:30 p.m.
	Main program. <i>The Passion and Passion Plays from Ancient Times to Mel Gibson</i>	8:00 p.m.
Sun., 21	Board meeting, USNH, 700 Hartford Turnpike, Hamden	2:00 p.m.
Wed., 24	Dinner at the Curtis House, 506 Main Street South, Woodbury	7:00 p.m.
Sat., 27	Humanist Conversations, USNH, 700 Hartford Turnpike, Hamden — <i>The God Gene</i>	2:30 p.m.

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February Conversations

Join us on Saturday, February 28, at 2:30 p.m. at 700 Hartford Turnpike to discuss the "Background of the Civil Rights Movement" with personal anecdotes. Refreshments will be served.

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Book Discussion April 10

Terror in the Name of God:

Why Religious Militants Kill by Jessica Stern

Doug Peary and Gabriella Brand have been kind enough to open their home at 63 Forest Hill Road in North Haven on Saturday, April 10 at 2:30 p.m. for this book discussion. Directions will be in the March newsletter.

Even though Jessica Stern teaches at Harvard and specializes in this subject, the book is easy to read and well-received both in and out of academia by people of diverse political viewpoints. You have nearly two months to get the book and read it. We look forward to seeing you there!

Mystic/Noank Discussion Series

This humanist discussion group will meet on Saturday, March 6, at 10:15 a.m. at the Mystic and Noank Library. For more information and directions, phone George Marcus at (860) 449-0800 or email gmingroton@snet.net.

Social Dinners

Join us for dinner at 7 p.m. on Monday, March 1st at Pasta Fair, one intersection toward New Haven from Gabriele on the Boston Post Road, Route 1, in Orange, or on Wednesday, February 25th and March 24th at the Curtis House in Woodbury.

If you plan to attend one of the dinners, please RSVP to Carol Stone at (203) 264-8546 or editor@cthumanist.org.

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