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THE GLOAMING SOCIETY

a unique salon series celebrating the art of conversation

Welcome

We send our best wishes to you and your family during this challenging time. Thank you for being one of our nearly 100 members, and for sharing our passion for deep, meaningful conversation. We hope you enjoy our monthly newsletter which summarizes our recent salons and informs you of our upcoming events.

Trust Issues

On Tuesday, May 12, we will explore the topic of Trust. The salon will be held via zoom conference. If you are interested in participating, please contact us through our website or via email.

June 9: Spirituality

July 14: Failure

August 18: Kindness

September 15: Language

October 20: Shame

Tell Your Friends

Do you know people who would be interested in participating in our salon series? Please have them contact us through the contact page on our website, or via email.



Battle of the Sexes

Our April salon topic may have been loosely inspired by John Gray's seminal book, but our fascination with gender differences in relationships existed long before the 1992 publication of Men Are From Mars, Women Are From Venus. Though "Mars and Venus" was a challenging topic to tackle (especially via zoom), the group explored the differences between men and women in our styles of verbal and nonverbal communication. conflict resolution leadership. While sharing stories from both their personal and professional lives, participants questioned whether their assessments about specific traits of the opposite gender (including logic, intuition, patience, emotionality and risk tolerance) were accurate, exaggerated or socially constructed. Gender stereotypes were examined and the idea that men and women are more alike than different, especially as it pertains to their desire for love, connection and security, was examined.

"Instead of ignoring our differences, we need to accept and transcend them."

— Sheryl Sandberg

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