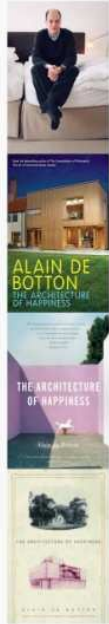


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As part of the IAED 205 – Design Semiotics course there will be a documentary screening about our environment, architecture and their relations with meaning, and happiness. With a housing crisis looming, the government has announced that 1 million new homes are to be built. After exposing how our social status can affect our health and well being with Status Anxiety, Philosopher Alain de Botton now turns his attention towards housing and in seeking alternate solutions, he discovers how environment affects us. Calling for a revival in aesthetic values, he investigates different styles of modern design in the Netherlands, Japan and the Middle East. Three part series based on his book, "The Architecture of Happiness".

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Alain de Botton was born in Zurich, Switzerland in 1969 and now lives in London.

He is a writer of essayistic books, which refer both to his own experiences and ideas- and those of artists, philosophers and thinkers. It's a style of writing that has been termed a 'philosophy of everyday life.'



As part of the IAED 410 – Environmental Psychology course there will be a documentary screening on "A look at how our environment and the perfect home can philosophically affect our happiness, and how innovative architecture can contribute to the perfect home".



The Architecture of Happiness by Alain de Botton, on which the documentary is based on, starts from the idea that where we are, heavily influences who we can be- and argues that it is architecture's task to stand as an eloquent reminder of our full potential. Whereas many architects are wary of openly discussing the word beauty, the book has at its centre the large and naïve question: 'What is a beautiful building?' It amounts to a tour through the philosophy and psychology of architecture, which aims to change the way we think about our homes, streets and ourselves.



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