

THE PHILOSOPHY AND LITERATURE OF IRIS MURDOCH

[WEEKDAY COURSE]

Dates

5 - 7 September 2022

Starts Monday after dinner at 8.30pm.

Ends Wednesday with lunch at 1pm.

Venue

Dillington House

Ilminster

Somerset

TA19 9DT

Fees

£358 single room | £418 double room - shared occupancy | £240 non-residential

Level

Beginners to Intermediate

Description

Murdoch's philosophy has often been neglected in favour of her novels. In this course we will remedy this imbalance. Beginning with the novel *The Bell*, we will look at the relationship between her philosophy and her fiction. We will then reflect upon the influence of Existentialism on her oeuvre before immersing ourselves in her best known philosophical work, *The Sovereignty of Good*.

Outline

Day One Introduction, Life & Context

Day Two *The Bell*

Murdoch and Existentialism

The Idea of Perfection

Film: *Iris* (2001)

Day Three On 'God' and 'Good'

The Sovereignty of Good over other Concepts and Conclusion

Essential Reading

The novel *The Bell* and Murdoch's book on moral philosophy, *The Sovereignty of Good*.

Booking

To book a place on this course, please ring Dillington House on 01460 258 648, or email

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