

David

I never knew David that well when he was alive. I made assumptions of what I thought he was about, and what he did.

I always knew David was Eugene's man, but never considered what this meant. After all, most of us here today wanted to be close to Eugene. Eugene always felt to me to be a savior, and as I wanted to be saved, most of my focused time and energy was always on Eugene. And David was just there. Consistently there.

As I write as I am today, I am beginning to understand this remarkable mans achievements, and his impact on my life. As Eugene's man he had to be someone very special. He had to give all. All of himself, willfully and completely. No half measures would do! Eugene's special needs, as a representative of the highest order, would have demanded this of David and David was a man to serve this highest of all orders.

My first meeting of David, was at the men's Yantra. I had heard of this group, meeting on Tuesday evenings, and I was very interested. I had not been invited and felt very apprehensive and unsure, that I might not be welcome! As I walked through the two stained glass doors of Marlowe and Shakespeare, that led into the theatre, heads turned towards me. David said Yes? I said, I have come to learn. David replied take a seat.

I used to go to the Yantra most weeks from then on, and in that time got to know David more. I don't mean close. David to me felt hard to get close to! My knowing of him, was in what he did and how he did it! Patient, informed, understanding, kind and yet firm. Consistent. He never missed a Yantra! I recollect seeing him with a very heavy cold or flue. He had a warm cardigan on. His shiny shoes, his face pale, and his fine voice croaky. He must have been very tired, but he did not rush the exercise and gave his whole attention to complete the Yantra work.

David's fine book King Educator, tells me all I needed to know, to love him. Within his book all the virtues of Man is encapsulated in a work that is a Manuel, that quantifies in measured discipline, the way to become, King of your own Realm. A man can only write such a book, that has put into practice, the ideas of self ruler-ship. Self discipline is the kernel, the centre, the hub of this wonderful book. I feel that David's book King Educator, is the key that opens the door, to gain the self- disciplined change, that is essential, in order to open the door within ourselves, to reflexive self-consciousness.