

Sunday
Sept. 18, 2011

Time: 2:00 PM

Pecos River
Village
Carousel House

Free Admission

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Author of:

- *Dumbing Us Down*
- *A Different Kind of Teacher*
- *Underground History of American Education*
- *Weapons of Mass Instruction*
- *How to Get an Education In Spite of School (work in progress)*

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On the Education Crisis

Well Educated?

Or

Well Schooled?

Well educated children become leaders and adventurers;
Well schooled children become employees and consumers.

Well educated children think critically and independently;
Well schooled children obey reflexively.

Well educated children have an inner life and thus are never bored, enjoy their own company, and conduct inner dialogues.

Well schooled children have a low threshold for boredom; they are conditioned to dread being alone; they seek constant companionship through the TV, the computer, the cell phone, and through shallow friendships quickly acquired, quickly abandoned.

Your children should have a more important life, and they can.

The curriculum of the most elite and expensive private boarding schools can be successfully duplicated in ordinary schools, well within existing budgets, providing the locality is willing to change the structure of the school experience to reflect how young people actually learn; and to change the way progress is measured. All this can be accomplished in a short time, using methods drawn from long American experience.

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