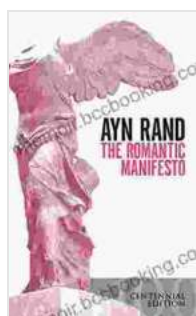


The Romantic Manifesto: Ayn Rand's Philosophy of Life

Ayn Rand's *The Romantic Manifesto* is a passionate defense of individualism, capitalism, and the pursuit of happiness. Rand argues that these values are essential for human flourishing and that they are under attack from collectivism, statism, and other forms of tyranny.



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Rand begins *The Romantic Manifesto* by defining romanticism as "the recognition of the supremacy of reason, the inviolability of the individual, and the right to happiness." She contrasts this with collectivism, which she defines as "the subordination of the individual to the group." Rand argues that collectivism is a form of tyranny that destroys individual freedom and creativity.

Rand then goes on to argue that capitalism is the only economic system that is consistent with the principles of romanticism. Capitalism, she says,

is based on the idea that each individual is free to pursue their own self-interest. This leads to a more prosperous and dynamic society than collectivism, which stifles individual initiative.

Finally, Rand argues that the pursuit of happiness is a fundamental human right. She says that happiness is not something that is given to us by others, but something that we must create for ourselves. Rand believes that we can achieve happiness by living our lives in accordance with our own values and by pursuing our own goals.

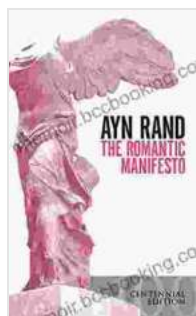
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Why You Should Read *The Romantic Manifesto*

If you are interested in learning more about Ayn Rand's philosophy, then *The Romantic Manifesto* is a must-read. This book will challenge your assumptions about individualism, capitalism, and the pursuit of happiness. Rand's writing is clear, concise, and persuasive. She will make you think about these important issues in a new way.

Even if you do not agree with Rand's philosophy, *The Romantic Manifesto* is still a valuable read. It will help you to understand the intellectual foundations of libertarianism and conservatism. Rand's ideas have had a profound impact on American politics and culture. *The Romantic Manifesto* is an essential text for anyone who wants to understand the history of ideas in the United States.

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