

An Epicurean Understanding of Valentine's Day: Love, Romance, and Free-will

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From my personal perspective...and this is just me, the animal brain speaking, my entire “romance” life has been dictated by chemical impulses. When I was 23 I wasn't thinking that any one of these “pursuits” would end up in a family, in fact I had no ambition or drive for that. Nor was there any pressure from my family etc. I was purely following instinctual urges...often without prudence, I don't think nature cares too much about whether we are prudent, but rather holds up the carrot to get the job done. But I was a pawn in a much larger and older game than any philosophy, ideology or cultural idea of what's normal...about a billion year old game, that for all intents and purposes continues to play every moment of every day across the globe...from humans to single celled organisms.