

Subjectivity And Freedom To Find Pleasure In Various Things

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On subjectivity generally:

Plutarch, Against Kōlōtēs, 1110B: Accordingly, Epicurus himself in the second book of his Reply to Theóphrastos, when he says that "colors are not intrinsic to bodies - but a result of certain arrangements and positions relative to the eye" is asserting by this reasoning that body is no more colorless than colored.

Plutarch, Against Kōlōtēs, 1109E: Observe what, regarding the heat of the wine in the Symposium, Epicurus has [portrayed] Polýainos conversing with him, as he says "Do you deny, Epicurus, the thorough heating effect caused by wine?" (Someone interrupts) "it is not a universal fact that wine seems fully warming." (And a little later) "For the universal fact does not seem to be that 'wine is warming' - but that a certain quantity for a certain person may be said to be warming."