

Philosophy Statement

Who am I?

I am a human being, different from all the others and yet exactly the same. I am a hard-worker, an environmentalist and a writer depending on my mood. I'm anything I want to be, like a chameleon, always changing. I am goal oriented and motivated by the simplest and most complex people and things. I can be a perfectionist but I can also be fun-loving and carefree. I am a complex individual, but then again who isn't? I am a teenager who acts beyond her years but in an instant I am running around a playground with the kids I baby-sit acting like a child again. I am a girly girl but I have no problem getting dirt under my nails or sticks in my hair if it means getting the job done or doing the right thing. Nothing makes me happier than seeing others happy. A lot of people say that and don't mean it, but I truthfully mean it with all my heart. I am both an optimist and a realist. I am a positive thinker but I try to keep my thoughts in the realm of possibility, and yet I'm not afraid to dream. I can be confident but I can also be shy and timid. My personality is like a paradox, contradictive but 100% true. Most of all I'm a leader. I know when to hold back and I know when to take charge. I recognize the dynamics of a group like a mother recognizes her child. I can see when people want to speak, I always seem to know when people are awkward in certain group situations and I know how to facilitate a discussion. But it's not enough to say I'm a leader. I believe if a person goes out in search of someone or something to lead, they are not a true leader. Bossiness isn't leadership; a leader is someone who has voluntary followers.

I believe that life is like art, a beautiful thing depending on how you look at it. If you say your art or your life is ugly; then it is. But if you believe your art or life is beautiful; then it is. Misery loves company but so does happiness. Life can be like a coloring book, pre-planned pictures and coloring in the lines. But, sometimes you have to color outside the lines. Life can be abstract, your actions, thoughts and feelings, interpreted in many ways with no right or wrong answer. Life is like a portrait, full of structure and often a struggle for perfection. Life, like art is creative and different from person to person. There are no mistakes in art...or life. Every brush stroke is like a choice, every color is like a person who changed who you are and every mistake is a new beginning.

I stand for positive energy. I hate complaining and bad attitudes. I like to try to find the good in everyone. When I say something mean about someone I then feel the need to redeem myself by saying something nice about them. I believe that by raising my positive energy level, others energy will raise as well, until everyone on earth is aware of themselves and everybody around them. We are all made up of the same thing; therefore I believe we are all already connected to one another even when it doesn't feel that way. I don't stand for materialism. Material possessions shouldn't matter. I know this because there are people in the world who have no tangible items and are still happy and there are also people who have 'everything' and are still unhappy. These highly coveted material items get in the way of finding your true purpose.

Humans throughout history have struggled to find the true purpose of the human race. I believe the purpose of humankind is to live for one another. I don't mean this like giving a few dollars to a homeless person or donating food to a food pantry. I mean this

like devoting your entire life to others. To truly put other's needs before your own. This is not an easy thing to accomplish, though it should be. It should be simple because we are all 1 and we are all connected. I believe our race is called humankind and not human cruel for a reason.

I really care about now, this very second, the present. I can't change the past but I can learn from it. And I don't know what the future holds. All we have is the present, to be spontaneous, to seize the day and to live our lives as if nothing matters. So to answer the question at hand, what do I care about, I care about the future. I care about my future, humankind's future, and the future of the earth. Though I don't have the power to control the future, I will do all I can to make it ideal and perfect in every sense of the word.