You Must Change Your Life!: Hermeneutics as Living Demand

Fundamental to hermeneutics is the idea that experiences of artworks, texts, and traditions inform and shape our being in the world, and that such experiences have aesthetic, ethical, and pedagogical impacts. If understanding requires openness to what remains to be said and the voice of the other, and if interpretation requires cultivation and formation, then hermeneutics is also an ethical and political project. Interpretation and understanding are not merely behaviors, but creative modes of existence. Moreover, aesthetic and poetic experience, as Rilke’s injunction would suggest, seem to have a unique relation to the development of our being in the world.

Volume XIV of *Analecta Hermeneutica*, the official peer-reviewed journal of the International Institute for Hermeneutics, invites submissions that continue these lines of thought, but especially those that open new directions by considering the impact of alternative ways of seeing on the hermeneutical tradition.

Questions for consideration include:

- How do art and poetry relate to ethical formation?
- What are the relations between art and freedom?
- Do our experiences of everyday aesthetics and nature offer similar possibilities for transformation and cultivation?
- What are the implications of hermeneutic education for education more broadly?
- What is the relation of poetics to politics?
- As attuned to tradition, what resources does hermeneutics have for opening new futures?
- What are the consequences of a hermeneutical tradition that has concerned itself primarily with the impact of both classically western works of art, poetry, painting and music as well as traditional ways of understanding those works?

While the roots for such considerations can be found in the work of the widely recognized figures of hermeneutical thinking, we invite submissions that draw connections with new figures or multiple traditions not typically thought within the tradition of philosophical hermeneutics. We are especially interested in exploring the ways alternative traditions and ways of seeing tradition can influence our ethical, poetic, and political understanding. We encourage submissions on all of these topics to consider the effect new figures, alternative traditions, and critical re-evaluations might have for hermeneutics and for our own formation.

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