

2120. WHITCOMB, IAN. **Rock Odyssey.** Garden City, NY: Doubleday, 1983.
Memoirs of British singer/rock impresario in Hollywood during the late sixties and seventies.
2121. WHITE, ERIC WALTER. **Benjamin Britten: His Life and Operas.** Second ed. Berkeley: University of California Press, 1984. 320 pp.
The new edition brings the account up to date, by incorporating the last six years of the composer's life (1913-1976).
2122. YOUNG, IRENE. **For the Record.** Oakland, CA: Olivia, 1982. 58 pp.
Photographic portraits of performers in the women's music scene.
2123. ZIEGLER, MARION. "The Great Gay Composers," in: Dennis Sanders (ed.), **Gay Source.** New York: Berkeley, 1977, pp. 83-95.
Notes on the lives of Handel, Beethoven, Schubert, Tchaikovsky, and others. While present evidence in some cases may be thin, this article offers many leads which later researchers should follow up.

VII. PHILOSOPHY AND RELIGION

A. PHILOSOPHY AND ETHICS

The exploration of philosophical issues related to homosexuality, particularly as regards the metaphysics of love, began in ancient Greece, when most leading thinkers were either bisexual or homosexual (see III.C). In the many renaissances of Greek thought, however, this aspect has been occulted or neglected altogether. In the 20th century, philosophy--especially in English speaking countries--adopted an austere credo known as the analytic philosophy, which discouraged the exploration of social and ethical questions. Recently, however, philosophers have begun to concern themselves with "mortal issues" affecting people's lives, such as abortion, the handicapped, and sexuality. The women's movement has also made an appreciable impact; for this, see also "Lesbian-Feminist Theory," II.B. Some ethical aspects are discussed in the following sections on "Religion," VII.Bff. Moreover, as in every other field of human endeavor, there is the question of which philosophers were homosexual, and how their orientation may have affected their thought.

2124. ARAGONA, TULLIA. **Della infinità d'amore.** Ed. by Alessandro Zilioti. Milan: G. Daellei, 1864. 93 pp.

See pp. 64-74 for Renaissance discussion (1547) in dialogue form of the tradition of Greek love according to Plato and Ficino.

2125. BAKER, ROBERT, and FREDERICK ELLISTON (eds.). **Philosophy and Sex.** Second enlarged ed. Buffalo: Prometheus Books, 1984. 521 pp.

Includes papers specifically addressing homosexuality by Jeremy Bentham, Frederick Elliston, Michael Ruse, Frederick Suppe, and Joyce Trebilcot--together with much other indirectly relevant material. A useful bibliography, compiled by William Vitek, appears on pp. 471-521. The first edition of this book (1975) contains some papers omitted from the new edition.

2126. BARTHES, ROLAND. **A Lover's Discourse: Fragments.** Translated by Richard Howard. New York: Hill and Wang, 1978. 234 pp.

Somewhat cryptic but suggestive comments on the nature of love, in which the homosexuality of the writer, an influential French literary critic and structuralist (1915-1980), emerges between the lines. See Richard Sennett, "An Evening of Barthes," **Christopher Street**, no. 76 (1983), 22-28.

2127. BARTLEY, WILLIAM WARREN, III. **Wittgenstein**. Philadelphia: Lippincott, 1973. 192 pp. Presents the first gathering of evidence, since fully confirmed, that the Austro-British philosopher (1889-1951) was homosexual. The new edition (La Salle, IL: Open Court, 1985) contains an Afterword, "On Wittgenstein and Homosexuality," reflecting on the controversy that developed when the Wittgenstein establishment tried to suppress the information, the text of which is substantially the same as the author's article in *Salmagundi*, no. 58-59 (1982), 166-96.
2128. BENSON, R. O. D. **In Defense of Homosexuality, Male and Female: A Rational Evaluation of Social Prejudice**. New York: Julian Press, 1965. 239 pp. A critical examination of the arguments against homosexuality, concluding that homosexual behavior is as ethically defensible as heterosexual behavior. Reprinted as: **What Every Homosexual Knows** (New York: Ace Books, 1965).
2129. BENTHAM, JEREMY. "Offenses against One's Self: Paederasty," *JH*, 3 (1978), 389-405; 4 (1978), 91-107. First publication, edited by Louis Crompton, of an essay written by the utilitarian philosopher about 1785. Arguing that homosexual acts do not "weaken" men or threaten population or marriage, he offers the first known argument for homosexual law reform in England. A later essay on the subject (1814-16), "Offenses against Taste," was published by C. K. Ogden in his edition of Bentham, **The Theory of Legislation** (London: Kegan Paul, 1931), 476-97. For the historical background, see Louis Crompton, **Byron and Greek Love** (Berkeley: University of California Press, 1985).
2130. BRÈS, YVON. **La psychologie de Platon**. Paris: Presses Universitaires de France, 1968. 438 pp. An ambitious, but flawed attempt to combine psychoanalysis and classical philology to show links between Plato's life and his thought. See the critical remarks by Luc Brisson, *Revue des Etudes Grecques*, 86 (1973), 224-31. Compare Hans Kelsen, "Platonic Love," *American Imago*, 3 (1949), 1-70 (translation of a German article that appeared in 1933).
2131. CANGEMI, JOSEPH P. et al. "The Philosophy of Existentialism and a Psychology of Irreversible Homosexuality," **College Student Journal Monograph**, 8:3, part 2 (September-October 1974). 12 pp. Stresses that the essence of man is his existence, and the individual's richest existence is to be what he can become.
2132. DESMON, ANDRE-CLAUDE (pseud. of A. Lafond). "A la recherche d'une éthique: méditations spinozistes," *Arcadie*, no. 73 (January 1960), 9-17; no. 74 (Feb-

ruary 1960), 80-87.
Advocates a version of Spinoza's philosophy.

2133. DIDEROT, DENIS. **Oeuvres**. Paris: Gallimard, 1951. 1480 pp.
In this selection of the works of the Enlightenment polymath (1713-84), see "Suite de l'Entretien" (pp. 939-42); "Supplément au Voyage de Bougainville" (pp. 999-1001); and "Essai sur la peinture" (pp. 1143-44).
2134. DOVER, KENNETH J., SIR. "Aristophanes' Speech in Plato's Symposium," **Journal of Hellenic Studies**, 86 (1966), 41-50.
Close reading of this celebrated disquisition on the origins of same-sex attraction. See also Dover, "Eros and Nomos," **Bulletin of the Institute of Classical Studies** (London), 11 (1964), 31-42; and the notes to his edition of the Greek text of the **Symposium** (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1980; 185 pp.).
2135. FOUCAULT, MICHEL. **The Foucault Reader**. Ed. by Paul Rabinow. New York: Pantheon, 1984. 390 pp.
Even before his death in Paris in 1984, Foucault had emerged as a figure of vast and ramifying influence. This book is a selection from a number of his works, emphasizing the theoretical dimension and focusing in part on his overarching concept of power as it manifests itself in schools, hospitals, factories, and sexual arrangements. Indispensable for a thorough study of Foucault's work is: Michael Clark, **Michel Foucault: An Annotated Bibliography** (New York: Garland, 1983; 608 pp.). See also: John Rajchman, **Foucault: The Freedom of Philosophy** (New York: Columbia University Press, 1985; 131 pp.).
2136. FOUCAULT, MICHEL. **Power/Knowledge: Selected Interviews and Other Writings, 1972-1977**. Ed. by Colin Gordon. New York: Pantheon, 1980. 270 pp.
Occasional pieces focusing upon Foucault's concern with the mechanisms whereby power "reaches into the very grain of individuals, touches their bodies and inserts itself into their actions and their discourses, learning processes and everyday lives."
2137. FRAISSE, JEAN-CLAUDE. **Philia: la notion d'amitié dans la philosophie antique**. Paris: J. Vrin, 1974. 504 pp.
Encyclopedic work on the ideas of friendship put forth by the philosophers of Greco-Roman antiquity. See also Ludovic Dugas, **L'amitié antique d'après les moeurs populaires et les théories des philosophes** (Paris: Félix Alcan, 1894; 454 pp.).
2138. FRYE, MARILYN. **The Politics of Reality: Essays in Feminist Theory**. Trumansburg: Crossing Press, 1983. 150 pp.

Papers by a lesbian philosopher treating such issues as abortion, women's oppression, separatism, race, and homophobia.

2139. GOLDBERG, STEVEN. "Is Homosexuality Normal?" **Policy Review** no. 21 (1982), 119-38.
Tendentious effort to restore the judgmental efficacy of the concept of abnormality. Discussion in no. 23 (1983), 3-9. Compare M. Levin, below.
2140. GRAVES, JOHN. "Philosophy and Sexuality," **Gai Saber**, 1:1 (Spring 1977), 23-26.
Attempts a general theory of the categories of sex.
2141. HELLMANN, RODERICH. **Ueber Geschlechtsfreiheit: ein philosophischer Versuch zur Erhöhung des menschlichen Glücks**. Berlin: Staude, 1878. 287 pp.
A pioneering exploration of sexual libertarianism. See, e.g., p. 179 for a description of the taste of semen.
2142. HILLER, KURT. "Ethische Aufgabe der Homosexuellen," **Der Kreis**, 28:4 (1960), 2-6.
The German homosexual activist reflects on the ethical task of the homosexual.
2143. HIRSCHFELD, MAGNUS. "Ueber den Begriff der 'Widernatürlichkeit,'" **JfsZ** 12 (1911-12), 282-96.
An early critique of the pseudo-scientific (and religious) concept of the unnatural. See now Wayne Dynes, **Homolexis** (New York: GAU-NY, 1985), pp. 100-01.
2144. HUME, DAVID. **An Inquiry Concerning the Principles of Morals; with a Supplement: A Dialogue**. Indianapolis: Bobbs-Merrill, 1957. 158 pp.
The Dialogue (1751) concerns a Utopia where pederasty is respected (see pp. 142, 145-46).
2145. INGRAM, KENNETH. **Sex-Morality Tomorrow**. London: Allen and Unwin, 1940. 175 pp.
Quasi-visionary reflections by a closeted man. See "Homosexuality" pp. 99-130.
2146. JURTH, MAX. "Confucius, ou une religion accessible aux homophiles," **Arcadie**, no. 85 (January 1961), 26-35.
Confucianism as an ethical guide for homosexuals.
2147. KANT, IMMANUEL. **Lectures on Ethics**. Translated by L. Infield. New York: Harper and Row, 1963.
Classroom lectures (1775-80) as taken down by students. Kant defends the idea that sex is only permissible within the boundaries of a monogamous heterosexual relationship. He condemns homosexual behavior as "contrary to the ends of humanity," whereby "the self is degraded below the level of the animals." (p. 170).

2148. KOERTGE, NORETTA (ed.). **Philosophy and Homosexuality**. New York: Harrington Park Press, 1985. 98 pp. Four papers, by Michael Ruse, Lynda I. A. Birke, John P. De Cecco, and Frederick Suppe, which chiefly concern sociobiological issues, rather than strictly philosophical ones. Originally published as *JH* 6:4 (Summer 1981).
2149. KRISTELLER, PAUL OSKAR. **The Philosophy of Marsilio Ficino**. Translated by Virginia Conant. Gloucester: P. Smith, 1964. 441 pp. In this overview of the thought of the Florentine neo-Platonist, see pp. 277-88.
2150. LAGERBORG, ROLF HERIBERT HJALMAR. **Die Platonische Liebe**. Leipzig: Felix Meiner, 1926. 295 pp. According to B. C. Verstraete, "Although very much dated . . ., this remains a sensitive and often penetrating study of the idealized homoerotic love advocated by Plato. Lagerborg dwells at great length on the close link between repressed sexuality and religious and philosophical mysticism." (Translated from the Swedish: **Den platoniska kärleken**.)
2151. LA METTRIE, JULIEN OFFRAY DE. "L'art de jouir," in his: **Oeuvres philosophiques**. Berlin: 1791, vol. 3. The Enlightenment thinker (1709-51) explores "that realm of love which knows no limits save those of pleasure."
2152. LA MOTHE LE VAYER, FRANÇOIS DE. **Cinq dialogues faits à l'imitation des anciens**. Mons: P. de la Flèche, 1671. 332 pp. In this work by the French sceptic, see the "Banquet sceptique" [1630] (pp. 129-131).
2153. LEVIN, MICHAEL. "Why Homosexuality is Abnormal," **The Monist**, 67 (1984), 251-83. Attempts, with spurious logic, to revive a teleological theory to the effect that homosexual acts are "a misuse of bodily parts"; consequently the homosexual lifestyle inevitably leads to unhappiness.
2154. LEVY, DONALD. "The Definition of Love in Plato's Symposium," **Journal of the History of Ideas**, 40 (1979), 285-90. Close reading of the argument.
2155. LEVY, DONALD. "Perversion and the Unnatural as Moral Categories," **Ethics**, 90 (1980), 191-202. Seeks to clarify and rehabilitate the natural/unnatural dichotomy, purging it of homophobic content.
2156. LEVY, PAUL. **Moore: G. E. Moore and the Cambridge Apostles**. New York: Holt, Rinehart and Winston, 1980. 335 pp. The philosopher's influence on Goldsworthy Lowes Dickinson-

son, John Maynard Keynes, Lytton Strachey, Ludwig Wittgenstein, and others, ca. 1895-1914.

2157. MASON, H. A. "Plato's Comic Masterpiece? A Discussion of the Scope and Function of Plato's 'Drinking Party,'" **Cambridge Quarterly**, 9 (1980), 114-42.

Reexamines the narrative strategy and arguments of Plato's Symposium.

2158. MERRITT, THOMAS M. "Homophile Ethics," **ONE Institute Quarterly**, 3:4 (Fall 1960), 262-67).

Advocates an approach he terms "personalistic or dynamic idealism." See also his "Philosophy for the Homophile," *ibid.*, 2:3 (Summer 1959), 77-82.

2159. MONTAIGNE, MICHEL DE. **The Complete Essays of Montaigne**. Translated by Donald M. Frame. Stanford, CA: Stanford University Press, 1958. 883 pp.

In this celebrated work by the French Renaissance thinker (1533-92), see esp. I, 28 ("Of Friendship"), II, 12 ("Apology for Raymond Sebond"), and III, 5 ("On Some Verses of Virgil"). A start has been made towards analysis of Montaigne's significance in this field by William John Beck, "Montaigne face à l'homosexualité," **Bulletin de la Société des amis de Montaigne**, no. 9/10 (1982), 41-50.

2160. NAGEL, THOMAS. "Sexual Perversion," **Journal of Philosophy**, 66 (1969), 1-17.

This often-cited paper argues that perversion is a psychological state rather than a physiological act; perversions are "truncated or incomplete versions of the complete figuration" (e. g., bestiality, where there is lack of reciprocity).

2161. NIETZSCHE, FRIEDRICH. **Menschliches allzu Menschliches**. New ed. Leipzig: Fritsch, 1882. 377 pp. This work by the German thinker (1844-1900)--several times translated as "Human, All-Too Human"--contains a number of pertinent remarks. Some of Nietzsche's comments were collected by L. S. A. M. von Römer, "Stellen aus Friedrich Nietzsche's Werke über Uranismus," **Zeitschrift für Sexualwissenschaft**, 1 (1908), 39-46.

2162. OBERHOLZER, W. DWIGHT (ed.). **Is Gay Good?: Ethics, Theology and Homosexuality**. Philadelphia: Westminster, 1971. 287 pp.

A collection of essays reflecting the climate of the late 1960s--"balanced" in that some are favorable, others unfavorable.

2163. ROSAN, LAURENCE J. "Philosophies of Homophobia and Homophilia," in: Louie Crew (ed.), **The Gay Academic**. Palm Springs, CA: ETC Publications, 1978, pp. 255-81.

Valuable overview of the bearing of major philosophical traditions on homosexuality (materialism, idealism, solipsism, dualism).

2164. RUSE, MICHAEL. **Is Science Sexist? and Other Problems in the Biomedical Sciences.** Boston: D. Reidel, 1981. 299 pp.
Well-referenced paper by a philosopher of science, chiefly on evolutionary theory, genetics, and sociobiology. Note esp. no. 1: "Are Homosexuals Sick" (pp. 245-76), which sets firm limits on the way in which such a claim could be meaningfully advanced.
2165. SADE, DONATIEN A. F. DE, MARQUIS. **La philosophie dans le boudoir.** Paris: Union Générale d'Éditions, 1972. 313 pp.
Exposition, in dialogue form, of his libertine concepts of sex; first published in 1795. The character Dolmance is a homosexual spokesman. There are several English versions.
2166. SCHOPENHAUER, ARTHUR. **The World as Will and Representation.** Translated by E. F. J. Payne. New York: Dover, 1966. 2 vols.
Schopenhauer (1788-1860) thought that, in the male, homosexual relations are appealing before puberty and in old age, when generation is not possible (vol. 2, pp. 541, 560-69). His relatively favorable views of homosexuality (pederasty) have sometimes been linked to his misogyny.
2167. SCRUTON, ROGER. **Sexual Desire.** London: Weidenfeld and Nicolson, 1985. 428 pp.
A florid, but sometimes stimulating book by a conservative English philosopher. Scruton concedes that homosexuality is not a perversion, but still finds it problematic.
2168. SOBLE, ALAN (ed.). **Philosophy of Sex: Contemporary Readings.** Totowa, NJ: Littlefield and Adams, 1980. 412 pp.
Includes articles by Thomas Nagel, Robert Gray, and Donald Levy, attempting to clarify the nature of perversion.
2169. VANNOY, RUSSELL. **Sex without Love: A Philosopher's Exploration.** Buffalo: Prometheus, 1980. 226 pp.
Examines and rejects the traditionalist approach that sex should occur only between two people who are in love.
2170. VEST, D. B. (pseud. of Gerald Heard). "The Phylogeny of Homo Crescens," **ONE Institute Quarterly**, 3:4 (Fall 1960), 252-57.
Syncretistic presentation, combining evolutionary biology with Eastern thought. The British writer Gerald Heard (1889-1971) was active in Southern California, where he attracted a circle of devotees. See also his: "The Iso-phyl as a Biological Variant: An Enquiry into the Racial and Civilic Value of the Human Intergrade," *ibid.*, 1:2