

LESSING YEARBOOK XXV, 1993

Founded by Gottfried F. Merkel and Guy Stern at the University of Cincinnati

Karl S. Guthke, *senior editor*
Harvard University

Albert M. Reh, *senior editor*
University of Massachusetts, Amherst

Richard E. Schade, *managing editor*
University of Cincinnati

Susanne Kord, *assistant editor*
University of Cincinnati

Ilse Zingis, *assistant editor*
University of Cincinnati

Susanne Kord, *book review editor*
University of Cincinnati

EDITORIAL BOARD MEMBERS

Ruth Klüger, *University of California, Irvine*

Ehrhard Bahr, *University of California, Los Angeles*

Wolfgang Bender, *Universität Göttingen*

Barbara Becker-Cantarino, *Ohio State University*

Wolfgang Bender, *Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität-Münster*

F. Andrew Brown, *Grinnell College-Emeritus*

Dieter Fratzke, *Lessing-Museum, Kamen*

Sander I. Gilman, *Cornell University*

Edward P. Harris, *University of Cincinnati*

Gerd Hillen, *University of California, Berkeley*

Uwe-K. Ketelsen, *Ruhr Universität, Bochum*

John A. McCarthy, *Vanderbilt University*

Wolfgang Martens, *Universität München*

Gottfried F. Merkel, *University of Cincinnati-Emeritus*

Armand Nivelle, *Universität des Saarlandes*

Paul Raabe, *Wolfenbüttel*

Thomas P. Saine, *University of California, Irvine*

Hansjörg Schelle, *University of Michigan*

Christoph E. Schweitzer, *University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill*

Hinrich Seeba, *University of California, Berkeley*

Helga Slessarev, *University of Cincinnati-Emerita*

Guy Stern, *Wayne State University*

Marilyn Torbruegge, *University of Cincinnati*

Leonard P. Wessell, Jr., *University of Colorado*

W. Daniel Wilson, *University of California, Berkeley*

Herbert Zeman, *Universität Wien*

EDITORIAL ASSISTANTS

Herman J. De Vries, Jr.

Katharina Gerstenberger

BUSINESS MANAGER

Ilse Zingis

Lessing Yearbook

Nb 6904-25

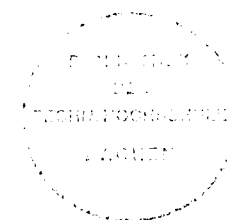
XXV

1993

Edited for the Lessing Society

by Richard E. Schade

(University of Cincinnati)



 Wayne State University Press Detroit

The Lessing Society gratefully acknowledges the generosity of the Consulate of the Federal Republic of Germany [Detroit] and the University of Cincinnati.

The *Lessing Yearbook* is published annually as the official organ of the Lessing Society. Interested persons are invited to become members of the Lessing Society. For information please contact the Lessing Society, Department of German, University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, Ohio 45221-0372, USA.

The editors of the *Lessing Yearbook* are pleased to consider manuscripts relating to German literature, culture and thought of the 18th century. Contributions may be in English or German and are to be prepared in accordance with the MLA Handbook or an appropriate guide to German style. All manuscripts should be submitted in duplicate to:

Managing Editor, *Lessing Yearbook*
Department of German
University of Cincinnati
Cincinnati, Ohio 45221-0372
USA

Lessing Yearbook [ISBN 0075-8833] is published annually by Wayne State University Press, Leonard N. Simons Building, 5959 Woodward Avenue, Detroit, Michigan 48202. Subscriptions are available on an annual basis.

Published in the United States of America, the United Kingdom, and the rest of the world by Wayne State University Press, Detroit.

Copyright © 1994 by Wayne State University Press, Detroit, Michigan 48202.

Contents LY XXV

<i>H. B. Nisbet</i> Lessing's Ethics	1
<i>Mark W. Roche</i> Apel and Lessing—or: the Ethics of Communication and the Strategies of Comedy	41
<i>Karl S. Guthke</i> "Nicht fremd seyn auf der Welt": Lessing und die Naturwissenschaften	55
<i>Simon Richter</i> Medizinischer und ästhetischer Diskurs im 18. Jahrhundert: Herder und Haller über Reiz	83
<i>Karin A. Wurst</i> "Begreifst du aber / wie viel andächtig schwärmen leichter, als / Gut handeln ist?"—Elisabeth (Elisa) Charlotte Konstantia von der Recke (1754–1833)	97
<i>Katherine Ayer</i> The Sentimental Poet as Parvenu: Friedrich Matthison and Luise of Anhalt-Dessau	117
<i>W. Daniel Wilson</i> "Der politische Jacobinismus, wie er leibt und lebt?" Der Illuminatenorden und revolutionäre Ideologie. Erstveröffentlichung aus den "Höheren Mysterien"	133
<i>Hansjörg Schelle</i> Nachträge und Ergänzungen zur Wieland-Bibliographie 10	185
Review Focus: Georg Christoph Lichtenberg (1742–1799)	193
Book Reviews (Susanne Kord, editor)	201