Collections of Schelling's Works

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2. The Munich Jubilee Edition (ed. Manfred Schröter)

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3. The Manfred Frank Edition

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4. The Bavarian Academy's Schelling *Ausgabe* in 80 Volumes

In 1975 the Bavarian Academy of Sciences announced *Friedrich Wilhelm Joseph Schelling, Historisch-kritische Ausgabe*. This Schelling-Ausgabe is appearing in four series comprising (i) all the works already published, (ii) the unpublished manuscripts, (iii) the total correspondence, and (iv) records of Schelling's lectures by his students (see O'Meara, 1977:291). (One wonders if the editors have included Schelling's shopping lists.) No doubt this will be a gold mine for Ph. D. dissertations.

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This is one of the books that help to situate Schelling. It describes "one of the most revolutionary and fertile periods in the history of modern philosophy", namely, "the period between Kant's first *Kritik* and Fichte's first *Wissenschaftslehre*" (1781-1794). Beiser sees philosophers in that period devoting themselves to "a single fundamental problem", that of "the authority of reason". This was the European Enlightenment's basic article of faith, its "tribunal of criticise". Before it, nothing was sacred. But "if it is the duty of reason to criticize all our beliefs, then *ipso facto* it must criticize itself. For reason has its own beliefs about itself and these cannot escape criticism." But by the end of the 1790's there was a revival of metaphysics and a daring "reassertion of the claims of reason". The stage was ready for the appearance of Schelling.

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Bowie writes: "Schelling, who, for a long time has been regarded as merely a curiosity of 19th century philosophy, articulates certain aspects of the crisis of reason more appropriately than his contemporaries and his successors in the 19th century" (190); "Schelling's contribution to the history of modern reason may be labyrinthine, and he often loses his way himself, but certain of the paths he opened are still worth exploring."

**Bracken, Joseph A. 1977. "Schellings Positive Philosophy" in Journal of the History of Philosophy 15: 324-330.

This brief article focuses on a 'new' manuscript, edited by Horst Fuhrmans (1972), *Grundlegung der positiven Philosophie* (Turin: Bogeta D'Erasmo). It contains Schelling's lectures (38 in number) given at the University of Munich in 1832/33 and recorded by one of his students (J. G. C. Helmes). The Lectures contrast "logical" and "historical" systems of philosophy and offer an analysis of Rationalism and (philosophical) Empiricism as the historical antecedents of the positive philosophy. Bracken notes that "the interrelation of the 'positive' and the 'negative' philosophies has been a central issue for all Schelling scholars", especially since Walter Schulz's work (1955). Bracken concludes that the positive philosophy was Schelling's central interest during this 'late' period (324) but that his project "did not really succeed" and indeed "was doomed to failure from the start" (330).

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Includes the title and full bibliographical description of every known published translation from the writings of Fichte, Schelling and Hegel plus translations in process or awaiting a publisher. Comes up to 1976 only.

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In three short essays, Marx discusses (i) Schelling's and Habermas's Conception of History, (ii) the Task and Method of Philosophy in Schelling's Transcendental Idealism and Hegel's Phenomenology of Spirit, and (iii) Schelling's task in *Of Human Freedom*. All three essays attempt to show that Schelling's thought is relevant to present-day philosophical issues.

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These two Dissertations (1910 & 1912) provide the key to Tillich's thought. Tillich acknowledges that "the basic elements of his own systematic program were developed through his study of Schelling" and his profound debt to Schelling is clearly visible. The 1910 Dissertation is an exposition of Schelling's philosophy of history, where "history" includes events in the life of God (Trinitarian relations) and in the primordial life of man (the Fall). It includes an exposition of the "potencies" and identifies the stages of and deities in the mythological process.

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This work, though in French, must be mentioned here because it is so rich in detail and amiable of style. Its 1200 pages are now a standard source on Schelling's life and work. The last 150 pages (only) deal directly with the Last Philosophy. As the title suggests, Schelling's thought is seen as "in process", always "on the way". (Tilliette's work appeared in the year in which this Dissertation was completed.)

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