



HERBERT MARCUSE

in dialogue with a Young Hegelian, namely, my son Nick. Marcuse was often seen as a stern and even threatening figure. In reality, he was full irony and, yes, even self-irony. Nick found him tremendously amusing. Holding Nick up in the air, he once said: "He is the only one who has understood my essence: *komisch!*" [For an appreciation of Marcuse click this link.](#)