

Parresiastic Game as Form of Veridiction: Situating *parresia* within a ‘history of the ontologies of truth’
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Evolution of Parresia as Game of Veridiction

<p><u>(a) Political Parresia</u></p> <p>(b): the democratic citizen; Euripides Ion/Thucydides Pericles; directed at the democratic <i>polis</i></p>		
<p>(b): the political advisory; Xenophon, Plato, Isocrates; directed at the <i>politeia</i> in general</p> <p>FIRST SHIFT</p>		
<p>(c) the ‘bad double’ of parresia: the flatterer; Plutarch/Plato’s <i>Gorgias</i></p> <p>SECOND SHIFT</p> <p><i>[crisis of parresia]</i></p>	<p><u>(e) Socratic-Platonic parresia</u></p> <p>ethical parresia; Socrates in Plato’s Apology and Phaedo/Alcibiades; truth-telling through ‘<i>ergon</i>’, through <i>being</i>; style of existence, and care of the self and others</p>	
<p>(d) the political + philosophical-moral; Plato’s Alcibiades, Xenophon, Isocrates; directed at the <i>psukhe</i> of the Prince, or those who must govern</p> <p>THIRD SHIFT</p>	<p>(f) <i>etimos logos</i>; rhetoric v. philosophy; Socrates in Plato’s Apology; truth-telling through ‘<i>logo</i>’, in true <i>speech</i></p> <p>FOURTH SHIFT</p>	<p><u>(g) Cynic parresia:</u></p> <p>bios philosophikos; <i>alethes bios</i>/true life: Diogenes’ <i>Lives of Philosophers</i>/Epictetus’ Cynic’ [ethos, kairos, doctrine]:</p>

Forms of Veridiction

Possible forms of knowledge (*saviors*)
discourse
ARCHAEOLOGY

Procedures of Government

normative frameworks of behavior
“conduction” of souls
GENEALOGY

Modes of Subjectivation

‘pragmatics of the self’
‘the subject’
ETHICS

Published Books

Mental Illness and Personality (1954)

History of Madness (1961)

The Birth of the Clinic (1963)

The Order of Things (1966)

The Archaeology of Knowledge (1969)

The Order of Discourse (1970)

Discipline and Punish (1975)

The History of Sexuality
Vol. 1-4 (1976-1984)

Lectures at the College de France

[The Will to Know (1970-71), Penal Theories and Institutions (1971-72), The Punitive Society (1972-73)]

Psychiatric Power (1973-74)

Abnormal (1974-75)

Society Must Be Defended (1975-76)

Security, Territory Population (1977-1978)

The Birth of Biopolitics (1978-1979)

[On the Government of the Living (1979-1980)]

[Subjectivity and Truth (1980-81)]

The Hermeneutics of the Subject (1981-82)

The Government of Self and Others (1982-83)

The Courage of Truth (1983-84)