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In *Growing Up Existentially*, Manheimer brings to life the most abstract of existential terms such as nothingness, temporality, and absurdity, through exploring concrete situations from everyday life. And

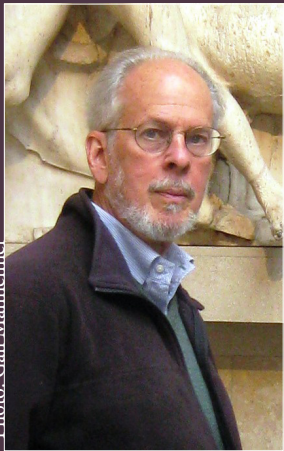


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because authors such as Kierkegaard, Sartre, de Beauvoir, and Camus lived out their ideas in both the private and public spheres, by delving into their biographical lives, Manheimer provides a window into scenes of love and loss, war and political upheaval, and friendship and betrayal.

Acknowledging the profound influence of the related philosophy of phenomenology, through the works of Husserl, Heidegger, and Merleau-Ponty, Manheimer gives readers a comprehensive understanding of how historical consciousness was transformed in

mid-twentieth century Europe and then, when its reverberations reached the American shores in the late 1950s and through the 60's and 70's. While other philosophical movements such as structuralism, deconstructionism, and post-modernism eclipsed the popularity of existentialism, Manheimer shows how the currents of thought its authors initiated are gaining a new appreciation.

Anyone wishing to understand the ideas that inspired the liberation movements of the twentieth and twenty-first centuries – feminism, anti-colonialism, Black Power, and even the worldwide aging revolution, will gain new perspectives in the pages of *Growing Up Existentially*.

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