In the purpose of continually promoting the philosophical reflection on current problems, Hermenéutica Intercultural brings into dialogue the various rationalities present in our Latin American and world culture. Under this perspective, articles we publish here show a variety of convergent themes, according to the philosophical challenges imposed by these times.

Therefore, in this issue number 28, we find reflections ranging from popular culture to the poetic goal of dreams, going through the subjectivity experience, the crisis and the modes of construction of present discourses. Our statement is far from a dispersion of senses, since there is an integrating link related to the amplitude of the philosophical exercise.

In the first article of this issue, Master Orlando Lima Rocha – from Mexico – addresses the issue of a popular culture hermeneutics in the situation of Latin American oppression and liberation, all this from the liberation philosophy by Osvaldo Ardiles Couderc, one of the most original and less known thinkers of our philosophy.

Through a genealogical tour and a hermeneutic-critical exercise, the Argentine doctor, Mrs. Senda Sferco addresses the specific treatment of the notion of crisis in the classical Greek medical knowledge. This is expressed in her work called ‘The crisis in front of the urgency of a critical action. Genealogy of a problem of present times.’

Gabriel Kafure da Rocha and Cleidimara Silva Madeira collaborate from Brazil with their work ‘A metapoética do sonho em Bachelard: uma possibilidade hermenêutica das imagens do ar,’ examining the problem of a hermeneutics in the thinking of Gastón Bachelard through the text O ar e os sonhos.

From Mendoza, Florencia Salazar presents her text ‘Everyday nature and experience in Humberto Giannini and Arturo Roig. On the subject
of philosophizing and its practice,’ where she proposes to review some critical positions around the subject that philosophizes and the role of criticism in the work of these two recognized and beloved Latin American philosophers.

In the work ‘Between the imaginary and the sacrifice: Notes about a place of illusion,’ Vanessa García García and Miguel Alvarado Borgoño reflect on the concept of imaginary, relating it to privileged instances of production and reproduction of the sacrificial phenomenon, aiming to generate a reflection based on the interpretation of sacrifice as the outcome of the social cost of values.

The article by Víctor Sepúlveda Contreras called ‘Barbarians from yesterday and today. The importance and validity of Domingo Faustino Sarmiento’s thinking’ elucidates the foundations of the antinomy ‘civilization - barbarism,’ developing a meticulous analysis of its gestation, development and interpretation in the work of Domingo Faustino Sarmiento. All this done in order to perceive its relevance and functionality in the present discourses.

Antonio Calderón collaborates with the text ‘Cultural pluralism in Latin America and its challenges. From a Zubirian perspective: How to approach the religious phenomenon to respond to the concerns of citizens today?’ There, using the critical-hermeneutic method, he analyzes the situation of cultural pluralism in Latin America, particularly based in the reflection of the Spanish philosopher Xavier Zubiri.

In this issue, we also have the lecture given by Professor Jorge Acevedo at the Silva Henríquez Catholic University in 2016, called ‘To inhabit as being of man, according to Heidegger.’ From Buenos Aires, Dr. Mrs. Marcela Croce comments the book ‘Tribute to the 80 years of Enrique Dussel,’ compiled by Alex Ibarra Peña and Cristián Valdés Norambuena, both academics from our University. Finally, Dr. Mrs. Carolina Ávalos translates the work ‘Nothing is in nothing. Or everyone knows logic. Joseph Jacotot’s universal teaching method and the intellectual emancipation in the poor classes,’ by Dr. Patrice Vermeren. The original text that Mrs. Ávalos translates is found in the collective

Finally, we want to dedicate this issue to Professor Jose Jara, ‘Pepe’ for those whom he loved, who was a renowned philosopher and a great teacher of several generations of national and international thinkers.

We thank all our collaborators and readers for continuing to support this publication which seeks to highlight the philosophical reflection taking place both in Chile and abroad.

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