From Evocation to Expressiveness. Theories to Rethink the Concept of Public Debate

Abstract: In this article, the theories of five authors (Lukács, Piaget, Habermas, Sen, Gramsci) are presented, whose arguments are considered important to redefine the concept of public debate. In particular, it is argued that it is more appropriate to use the notion of democratic debate to emphasize the power of speech to transform the existing social order. In particular, it is emphasized that this power can be exercised concretely through expressiveness, understood as discursive capacity through which a will collective, politically conscious, exploits the linguistic function of evocation.

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