

## To Susan Haack

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I met Professor Susan Haack as a first-year graduate student in the fall of 1990 at a social gathering for new faculty and students. I did not know much about Professor Haack then. But I was impressed. At first, it was her accent, but as I came to know more about her, it was the breadth and depth of her scholarship, her powerful mind, her incredible prose, and her quiet but feisty demeanor.

Professor Haack has been my inspiration and my role-model. Even now, after so many years have passed, I am surrounded and guided by her. Her books sit next to me on top of my desk. Her writings offer me not only a venue of knowledge, but also inspiration, strength, encouragement, and often a small chuckle.

Susan still impresses me with her exquisite use of words and witty remarks. She always challenges me with her powerful and passionate arguments about concepts and things that are worth-while, and she still guides me when I engage with my students in our shared inquiries.

I am privileged to have had the opportunity to study with a person I consider to be one of the most brilliant philosophers of our time. It is with great pleasure that I join all others in celebrating the immense contributions of Professor Susan Haack in my life, the profession, and society. I am truly honored and grateful to be one of her students, (the laconic one).

Susan: for all the glimmerings of light that you show me, I can only say thank you.