Notes:



CZECHOSLOVAK SOCIETY OF ARTS AND SCIENCES in NY • Společnost pro vědy a umění v New Yorku •

# 6 MINUTES Czech and Slovak Academic Show & Tell

In cooperation with the CUCEE Club at Columbia University



Illustration by Peter Sis

April 28, 2015 At Bohemian National Hall 321 E 73 St, New York ◆ 6 MINUTES is a pilot program presenting young and bright Czech and Slovak women and men, students, interns and scholars, recipients of grants and scholarships from Czech, Slovak or US foundations and institutions to study, conduct research or work at universities and institutions in the New York City area.

Their challenge is to present to the audience the subject of their studies, in any field, in a short presentation limited to <u>six</u> minutes each.

We hope that 6 MINUTES will become a regular event at the Bohemian National Hall as an informal showcase for the new generation of Czech and Slovak scholars.

For more information contact Suzanna Halsey, sh34@nyu.edu.



Please hold your questions until the group Q&A after the last presentation. Join us later for a glass of wine and further conversation.

Moderated by Christopher Harwood, PhD. Columbia University

## PRESENTERS (in the alphabetical order)



**DINO DVOŘÁK** is a PhD candidate in Biomedical Engineering at SUNY Downstate/NYU Polytechnic School of Engineering. He studies the role of neural oscillations in cognitive functions, with a focus on animal models of schizophrenia and autism. Before joining the PhD program, Dino was a co-founder of Bio-Signal Group Corp., a biomedical company that develops solutions for brain function assessment in clinical environments.

Dino published his work in Neuron, PLoS One, Frontiers in Psychiatry and Journal of Neuroscience Methods.

#### Sponsors:

Simons Foundation Autism Research Initiative (SFARI) National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH)

*Hobbies, interests:* Popular science, theory of consciousness, travelling, mountain biking *Contact:* dino@indus3.net



**Czechoslovak Society of Arts and Sciences in New York (SVU-NY)** is a 501(c)3 not-for-profit organization promoting Czech and Slovak intellectual history and heritage through lectures, presentations, film screenings and readings at the Bohemian National Hall in New

York City. We welcome your membership, suggestions, support and collaboration on any future programs.

All contributions to CSAS/ SVU are tax-deductible.

Contact: newyork@svt www.faceboo

newyork@svu2000.org www.facebook.com/svu.newyork www.svu2000.org/newyork



In 2014, Czechoslovak Society of Arts and Sciences in New York provided logistic and financial support for the creation of **Ten Ta To**, an educational application for smart phones to helps students of the Czech language all over the world to learn Czech nouns and their gender. It is available for a free download from Google Play or App Store.



Our events are made possible by the support of the **Bohemian Benevolent and Literary Association (BBLA).** 

CZECHOSLOVAK SOCIETY OF ARTS AND SCIENCES in NEW YORK at the Bohemian National Hall presents

# Save the date!

**Wed, May 13 at 7pm** A screening of a new Slovak documentary film *The Final Mission* (2014) about the American airmen shot down over Slovakia during World War II and bravery of the local people who helped them survive. Followed by a discussion with its director, **Dušan Hudec** and producer **Darina Smržová**.

**Mon, September 28 at 7pm** A discussion with **Mr. Ondrej Krajňák**, director of the Slovak Ustav pre pamet národa, on documenting the dark history of fascist and communist times in Slovakia.

**Sun, November 22 at 5pm** A talk by **Prof.Paul Robert Magocsi,** a well respected expert on Rusyn history and chair of Ukrainian Studies at the University of Toronto, will give a talk on the past and present of Sub-Carpathia.

Please joing our mailing list for updated information. newyork@svu2000.org



Call for papers!

Czechoslovak Society of Arts and Sciences / SVU Regional Conference, July 17- 19, 2015 at Virginia University in Charlottesville, VA

The theme for this year's conference is: "*Contributions of Women on Both Sides of the Atlantic*". However, proposals should not be limited to this subject. For questions about submissions contact: Hugh Agnew, *agnew@gwu.edu*.

Send completed submission (title and 300-word abstract) to *SVUConference2015@gmail.com* by **May 31, 2015**.

Full conference details and application forms will be posted on the SVU website. Panel and paper proposals may be submitted by anyone, but a lower registration fee will apply to SVU members in good standing. Information on the activities of SVU, as well as membership information and forms, can be found at **www.svu2000.org**.



**VĚRA DVOŘÁK** studied Czech language, literature, general linguistics, and phonetics at Charles University. Věra is a recipient of the Quota scholarship from the University of Tromsø in Norway where she earned her MA degree in Theoretical linguistics. She is now a PhD Candidate in Linguistics at Rutgers University. Her dissertation focuses on syntactic analysis of phonetically null objects in generic and episodic contexts. Věra published articles on nominalizations, ditransitive verbs, the dative case, aspect and Czech voicing assimilation.

Sponsors: Rutgers University

*Hobbies, interests:* Travelling, hiking, modern classical music and jazz *Contact:* dvorakov@rutgers.edu; www.rutgers.edu/~dvorakov/



**JIŘÍ LACOMBE-JELÍNEK** pursues an MA at Columbia University's School of International and Public Affairs where he is enrolled in a Dual Degree Program with Sciences Po Institute in Paris. Jiří specializes in international security and conflict resolution, human rights and humanitarian affairs. He earned his Bachelor's degree from Harvard University.

Sponsors:

Bakala Foundation, Czech Republic

The Kellner Family Foundation, Czech Republic The Most Honorable Bapsy Marchioness of Winchester Award in Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms, Columbia University Davis Peace and Diplomacy Scholarship, International House

*Hobbies, interests:* Haitian kompa music, African affairs, hiking, rollerblading *Contact:* jelinek@post.harvard.edu; linkedin.com/in/jirkajelinek



DÁŠA JENDRUŠÁKOVÁ is a PsyD candidate in Combined Clinical-School Psychology at Kean University, NJ. Currently, she is an extern at Hoboken University Medical Center and also lectures psychology at Kean University. An alumna of Constantine the Philosopher University in Nitra, SK, she later earned her professional diploma in Marriage and Family Therapy at Kean University. Her research interests include attitudes of clinicians towards use of corporal punishment, neurobiology of love, parenting, life skills, sleep quality, mindfulness, and relationship dynam-

ics. Dáša had been trained extensively in educational psychology.

*Sponsors:* Satir Global Networ, BEA Institute, Kean Assistantship *Hobbies, interests:* Beach volleyball, tennis, running, travelling *Contact:* jendrusd@kean.edu



**IVA KNOBLOCH** is an alumna of Charles University in Prague, a curator of the Museum of Decorative Arts in Prague and teacher at the Czech Academy of Art, Architecture in Design where she specializes in design history. Iva was hosted by the Museum of Modern Art in New York where she researched the 1939 New York World's Fair focusing on the Czechoslovak Pavilion and émiaré artists, designers and architects.

Sponsors: Prague Fulbright Commission

### Hobbies, interests:

Contact: knobloch@upm.cz; www.linkedin.com/pub/iva-knobloch



JANA KRYŠTOFOVÁ is a Pediatric Resident at Maimonides Infants & Children's Hospital in Brooklyn. She has MD Degree in pulmonary physiology and currently pursuing the research in the field of Arginase enzyme in newborns with pulmonary hypertension. Her future research will be neurocritical care in pediatrics.

Sponsors: Maimonides Medical Center,

*Hobbies, interests:* Biking, trekking, gardening, painting, music *Contact:* bettajanka@icloud.com; www.linkedin.com/pub/jana-krystofova/



**MAREK SVOBODA** works at Columbia University Medical Center as a Research Technician in a neuron stem cell laboratory. He earned his BA at Columbia College, focusing on neuroscience and behavior. He also worked as a Research Assistant in a Cognitive Neuroscience laboratory and as a Teacher's Assistant. Marek has been accepted to the MD-PhD Program at Geisel School of Medicine at Dartmouth. He is a founding member of the Columbia University CEE Club.

*Sponsors:* Kellner Family Foundation and Bakala Foundation, Czech Republic

*Hobbies, interests:* Czechs OUT: Study abroad - academic advising NGO. Other interests include sports, traveling, philosophy, and good food.

Contact: marek.svoboda@gmail.com, www.linkedin.com/in/svobodamarek;



**PETR ŠULC** is Postdoctoral fellow at the Center for Studies in Physics and Biology at Rockefeller University. He has a PhD in Theoretical Physics from Oxford University, UK, where he studied coarse-grained modelling of DNA and RNA. He obtained a Master's degree in Quantum Physics from the École Polytechnique in Paris, and Master's and Bachelor's degrees in Mathematical Physics from the CzechTechnical University (ČVUT) in Prague. Petr is interested in applying the methods of statistical physics and computer simulation

to study of complex systems, ranging from electrical grids to biology.

Sponsors: Rockefeller University

Hobby, interests: Skiing, travelling Contact: sulcpetr@gmail.com; www.thphys.physics.ox.ac.uk/people/PetrSulc/



**FILIP TUČEK** is a MA Candidate at Columbia University's School of International and Public Affairs. He also works as a research assistant at the Eurasian Harriman Institute, where he focuses on European security, a subject of his professional interest and numerous writings published in Great Britain, United States, Czech Republic, and Slovakia. Filip is a co-founder and president of the Columbia University CEE Club.

**Sponsors:** Krsek Foundation, Czech Republic Robert Legvold Fellowship Columbia University Harriman Institute Junior Fellowship Dasturdaza Dr. Jal Pavry Memorial Award for International Peace and Understanding

*Hobbies, interests:* Astrophysics, classical music, modern history. *Contact:* ft2439@columbia.edu; www.filiptucek.com