

# SVU-NY 2015 Calendar of Events

Jan 12 <b>JAN 21</b>	<i>SVU NY meeting</i> Dr. Anna Matušková, Charles University, <i>Can We Say That?</i>
(Feb 11) <b>FEB 28</b>	arch. Zdeněk Lukeš, <i>Prague Castle and the Rolling Stones</i> , at NYU Launch of <i>Ten Ta To</i> mobil phone application, co-sponsored by SVU-NY <b>Vít Hořejš</b> , <i>300 Years of Czech Marionette Theater</i>
March 9 <b>MARCH 11</b>	<i>SVU NY meeting</i> <i>Words, Words, Words</i> , Václav Cvrček, Czech National Corpus Institute
(March 28)	Beseda Ball
April 13 <b>APRIL 28</b>	<i>SVU NY meeting</i> <b>6 MINUTES I:</b> Czech and Slovak Academic Show and Tell (9)
May 11 <b>MAY 13</b>	<i>SVU NY meeting</i> Film " <i>Final Mission</i> ". Q&A with director Dušan Hudec and Darina Smržová, with Slovak Consulate
<b>JUNE 10</b>	Film " <i>The Short, Long Journey</i> (Krátká dlouhá cesta) by Fedor Gál
<hr/> Summer Break July-August	
(July 17-19)	SVU Regional Conference, Charlottesville, VA
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Sept 14 <b>SEPT 28</b>	<i>SVU NY meeting</i> <b>Dr. Ondrej Krajňák</b> , ÚPN, documentary " <i>Accused of Planning WW III</i> ", by Juraj Brocko, With Slovak Consulate,
<b>OCT 7</b>	<b>HE Edita Hrdá</b> , Czech UN ambassador. <i>Solving the World's Problems</i> . Canceled due to illness.
<b>NOV 12</b>	<b>6 MINUTES II:</b> Czech and Slovak Academic Show and Tell (8)
<b>NOV 22</b>	<b>Dr. Paul R. Magosci</b> , University of Toronto, <i>European Ukraine or Eurasian Little Russia?</i> With Carpatho-Rusyn Society
Dec 14	<i>SVU NY meeting</i>

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## "CAN WE SAY THAT?!"

HAI TV ULČNIKU

Political communication challenges in the Czech Republic  
A talk by ANNA MATUŠKOVÁ, PhD.

Wed, January 21 at 7pm  
at Bohemian National Hall  
321 E 73 St, New York City

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Suggested donation: \$5.00

The talk and presentation will focus on Dr. Matušková's experiences managing political campaigns, including Karel Schwarzenberg's presidential campaign in 2012, the 2013 campaigns of the ANO party in the Czech Republic as well as campaigns in Kosovo and Egypt.

Anna Matušková teaches political marketing and strategy at Charles University, Institute of Communications and Journalism (IKSJ) in Prague. She was 2007 Fulbright Research Fellow at Columbia University (SEPP). Her work as a campaign strategist includes political parties in the Czech Republic, Slovak Republic, Kosovo and Egypt. Since 2006, she is a vice chair of European Academy, European Values Think Tank in Prague.

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## 300 Years of Czech Marionette Theater

Sat, Feb 28 at 5pm  
Bohemian National Hall  
321 E 73 St, New York City

A talk and presentation by VÍT HOŘEJŠ  
Artistic Director, Czechoslovak-American Marionette Theater, New York

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Vít Hořejš will present the over 300-year old Czech tradition of marionette theater and the so far little-known history of Czech puppetry in the United States. He will demonstrate the antique marionettes that he discovered in 1984 in the attic of the Jan Hus Church on the Upper East Side. In the heart of the former 19th century Czech and Slovak immigrant neighborhood. As a drawing point of his presentation, he will perform a short excerpt from a traditional Czech marionette play using puppets and a set originally owned by the Hon. Madeline Albright who recently donated her toy theater to the BBLA Association to be used by the Czech community in New York.

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## Words, Words, Words:

Can future societal developments be detected in changing word patterns in presidential speeches?

A talk by Václav Cvrček, PhD

In cooperation with the Consulate General of the Czech Republic in New York

Wed, March 11, 2015 at 6:30pm  
at Bohemian National Hall  
321 E 73 St, New York City

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How can computational linguistics and natural corpus help?

In his talk, Dr. Cvrček will explain the system and practical use of the national corpus, an extensive database of texts used for language analysis. He will present a case of the last Communist president of Czechoslovakia, Gustav Husák, and his speeches from 1975 until the Velvet Revolution in 1989.

Václav Cvrček, Ph.D., is director of the Czech National Corpus Institute at Charles University (ČUK UK) in Prague, one of the most well-regarded centers for computational language research in the world. His research focuses on corpus linguistics, grammar, quantitative linguistics and discourse analysis. His publications include the *Grammar of Contemporary Czech* (Linguistics Foundation, 2010), the first corpus-based description of written as well as spoken Czech. He is also a co-organizer of several frequency dictionaries: *Dictionary of Czech* (2007), *Dictionary of Bohemian* (2009) and the *Foundation Dictionary of Czech* (2010). Dr. Cvrček has been a Fulbright fellow at Brown University and is currently involved in international research with US and European universities.

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## 6 MINUTES

### Czech and Slovak Academic Show & Tell

In cooperation with Columbia University CUCEEC.

Tues, Apr 28, 2015 at 7:00pm  
at Bohemian National Hall  
321 E 73 St, New York City

Come & meet the young and bright Czech and Slovak women and men, students, interns and Fulbright scholars studying or working at universities and institutions in the New York City area. They will be challenged to present the subject of their studies, in any field, in a short presentation limited to six minutes each. In English.

Refreshments will follow the presentations.  
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## THE FINAL MISSION

### Neznámí hrdinovia

Film screening and Q&A with director Dušan Hudec and producer Darina Smržová

In cooperation with the Consulate General of the Czech Republic in New York

A screening of a new Slovak documentary film (2014) about the American airmen shot down over Slovakia during the World War II and bravery of the local people who helped them survive.

Wed, May 13, 2015 at 7:00pm  
at Bohemian National Hall  
321 E 73 St, New York City

RSVP: [newyork@svu2000.org](mailto:newyork@svu2000.org)  
Suggested donation: \$5.00

Light refreshment

The film was made possible thanks to the financial support of the Slovak Republic, the Czech and Slovak Republics, the American Slovak Cultural Association of the Midway Valley and People of Slovakia, International Council and Embassy of the United States in Bratislava.

Downloaded with ITD and the Ministry of the Slovak Republic in Bratislava

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## short long journey

### krátká dlouhá cesta

WED, June 10, 2015 at 7:00pm  
at Bohemian National Hall  
321 E 73 St, New York City

Moderated by Gabriel Levický

The film maps Fedor Gal's attempt to learn more about the death of his father who he never met. Gal, a renowned Czech/Slovak sociologist, was born in the Terezin ghetto in 1945. His father was shot dead the same year during the death march from the Sachsenhausen concentration camp, two months before the end of the WWII.

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## Forget or Forgive?

A Discussion with Ondrej Krajčák, PhD  
Moderated by Gabriel Levický

Wed Sept 16, 2015 at 6:30 pm  
at Bohemian National Hall  
321 E 73 St, New York City

The discussion will be followed by a screening of a documentary film "Accused of Planning WW III", by the director Juraj Brocko. Based on a true story of Karol Noskovic, one of thousands innocent victims of red terror in the 1950s, the film offers a dramatic testimony of paranoid communist system and portrays an example of brutal, neo-Stalinist persecution in Slovakia.

Free and open to the public.  
Suggested donation \$5.00

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In cooperation with Ústřední paměťová instituce (Nation's Memory Institute) in Bratislava and the Consulate General of the Slovak Republic in New York.

Ondrej Krajčák is a documentary filmmaker. He received his PhD in journalism from the John Paul II Catholic University in Lublin. Since 2004, he is the head of the History Department at Nation's Memory Institute (Ústřední paměťová instituce) in Bratislava where he has created an audio visual archive. During the communist era, Dr. Krajčák participated in the underground church movement. He is a member of the Slovak Confederation of Political Prisoners and of the Steering Committee of European Network Remembrance and Solidarity.

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## 6 MINUTES II

### Czech and Slovak Academic Show & Tell

In cooperation with the Fulbright Commission in the Czech Republic

Thursday, November 12, 2015 at 7:00pm  
at Bohemian National Hall  
321 E 73 St, New York City

Czech and Slovak students and scholars at universities and institutions in the New York City area will be challenged to present the subject of their studies and research, in any field, in a short presentation limited to six minutes. In English.

Moderated by Christopher Hamwood, PhD, Columbia University

Participants include: Vanda Černohorská (sociology - Yale University), Václav Kůrka, PhD (mathematics - Brown University), Veronika Mikulová (theater - US), Josef Hořejš, PhD (international law - New York University), Jitka Peřín (design - Pratt Institute), Anna Prázníková, PhD (art history - Art Institute of Chicago), Andrea Prázníková (visual arts - New York University), Prati Institute and Michael Václav (international social studies - Columbia University).

Light refreshment.  
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and CARPATHO-RUSYN SOCIETY / NEW YORK CHAPTER

## European Ukraine or Eurasian Little Russia?

A Talk and Book Presentation by Paul R. Magocsi  
University of Toronto, Canada

Sunday, Nov 22, 2015 at 5:00pm  
at Bohemian National Hall  
321 E 73 St, New York City

Refreshments  
Suggested donation \$5.00

Professor Magocsi, scholar and a major force behind the modern Carpatho-Rusyn revival, will discuss present-day instability in eastern Europe made worse by the interest of Putin's Russia and Orbán's Hungary in Ukraine's Transcarpathian region (Historic Subcarpathian Rus'). Territory of former Czechoslovakia until 1939. He will also introduce his latest book, *Win Their Backs to the Mountains: A History of the Carpathian Rus' and Carpatho-Rusyns*.

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