

Several Ukrainian exile institutions were based in Prague throughout the First Republic. Also, thanks to support from the Czechoslovak government and President Masaryk, the city became a centre for Ukrainian intellectual emigration.

Ukrainian scholars not only formed their own platforms devoted to the study of Ukrainian history and culture but also participated in intellectual discussions in other Prague-based circles and institutions.

Thus, the Ukrainian community was part of interwar Prague, a place of intercultural intellectual exchange and entanglement in 20th century Central Europe, where different traditions of thinking and political positions came together or were confronted with one another.

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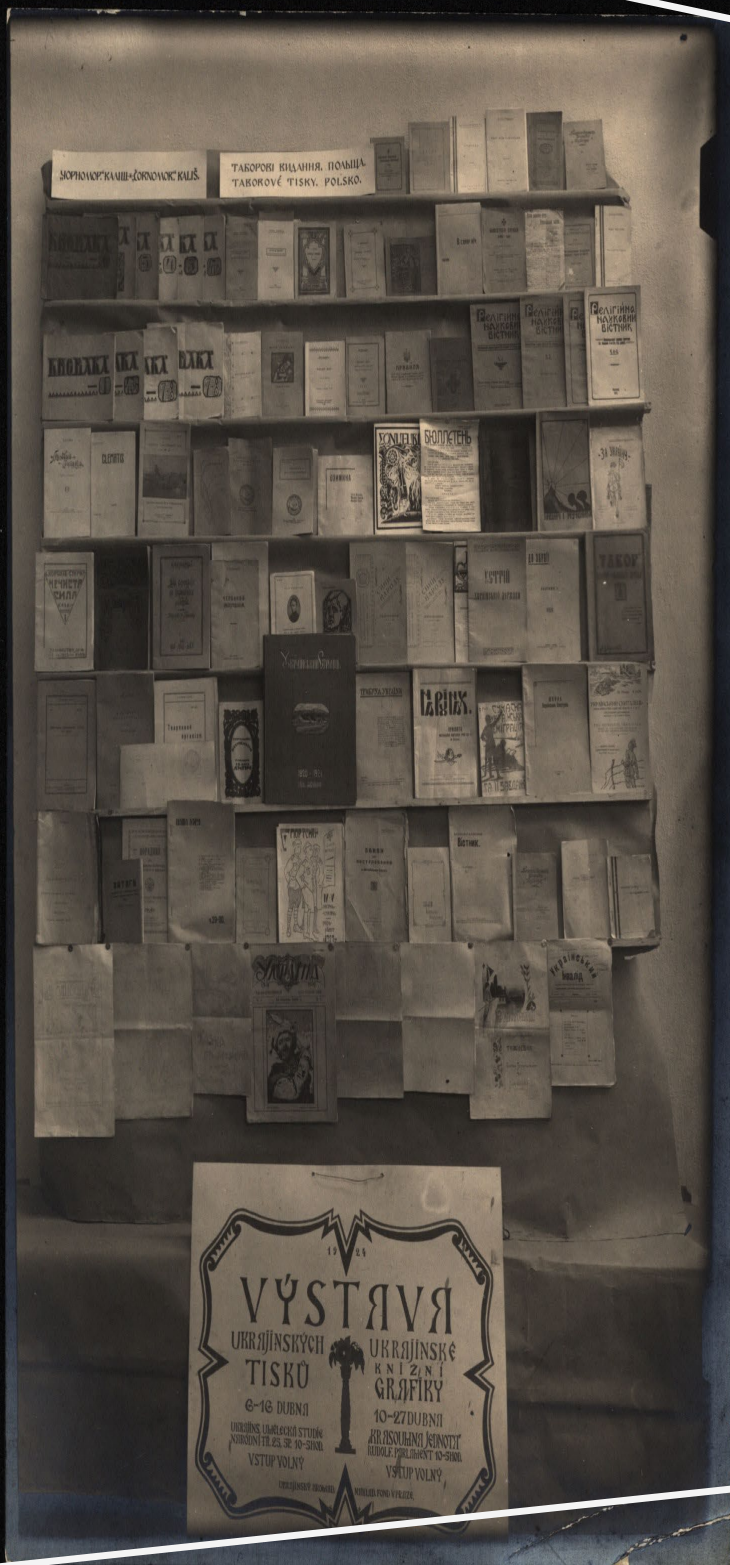
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Thursday, Oct. 29, 2026

14.30 – 15.00

Libuše Heczková / Irina Wutsdorff / Lukáš Babka:

Opening Remarks

15.00 – 15.45

Galina Babak (Konstanz): **Ukrainian Émigré Communities in Czechoslovakia: Intellectual, Political, and Social Dimension**

15.45 – 16.15 *Coffee break*

16.15 – 17.00

Larysa Naumova (Praha): **Czech-Ukrainian Cultural Relations in the Interwar Period: The Case of Cinema**

17.00 – 17.45

Oksana Pashko (Frankfurt/Oder): **The Ukrainian Topic and Ukrainian Authors in the Pages of the Journal 'Slavia' during the Interwar Period**

18.00

Insights into the Archival Material concerning Ukrainian Émigrés in Interwar Prague at the Slavonic Library

Friday, Oct. 30, 2026

10.00 – 10.45

Tereza Chlaňová (Praha): **Josef Svatopluk Machar as an Inspiration for Yevhen Malaniuk and his Nation-Building Project**

10.45 – 11.30

Tetiana Portnova (Potsdam): **In Search of Roots: Historical Fiction by Natalena Koroleva**

11.30 – 12.00 *Coffee break*

12.00 – 12.45

Ivan Zhyhal (Fribourg): **Mykyta Shapoval and Czech Sociology in Interwar Prague: Academic Connections and Intellectual Influences**

12.45 – 14.30 *Lunch break*

14.30 – 15.15

Nataliia Kotenko-Vusatiuk (Kyjiv): **Oswald Burghardt and the 'Prague School' of Ukrainian Poetry**

15.15 – 16.00

Andrii Portnov (Berlin): **Dmytro Čyževs'kyj and the Problem of the 'Atrophy of National Feeling'**

16.00 – 16.30 *Coffee break*

16.30 – 17.15

Tomáš Glanc (Zürich): **Čyževs'kyj's Intellectual Entanglement in the Prague Linguistic Circle**

17.15 – 18.00

Annette Werberger (Frankfurt/Oder): **On Dmytro Čyževs'kyj's Concept of Literary History**

Saturday, Oct. 31, 2026

09.30 – 10.15

Nadia Zavorotna (Praha): **From Prague to the Canadian Prairies: The Life Paths of a Ukrainian Émigré Historian, a Linguist, and a Literary Scholar**

10.15 – 11.00

Olga Doloh (Praha): **Professor Vasyl Simovych: Scientific Activity and Linguistic Heritage of the Prague Period**

11.00 – 11.30 *Coffee break*

11.30 – 12.15

Kateryna Kobchenko (Münster): **From Interwar Czechoslovakia to Afterwar Bavaria: The Intellectual Entanglement of Two Generations of Ukrainian Emigration**

12.15 – 12.45

Closing Remarks

