

Contemporary Czech Fotofest Exhibition, 1990: (Discrete Collection 165)

An Inventory of Its Collection at the Harry Ransom Center

Descriptive Summary

Creator: Contemporary Czech Fotofest

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Dates: 1990

Extent: 103 items

Abstract: This collection of images, by eighteen Czechoslovakian photographers, is from an exhibition that was part of an international, biannual "Fotofest" held throughout the month of March 1990 in Houston, Texas. The prints are arranged by accession number, which were assigned alphabetically by photographer.

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Scope and Contents

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Described in the "Fotofest 90" catalog under the title "Perspectives, Real and Imaginary: Nineteen Contemporary Czechoslovak Photographers," the subjects of the photographs range from rural Bohemian settings to portraits of working class Czech people, animals, and female nude figures, to modern urban landscape abstractions, and to views from a soccer game and sporting events in Prague known as "Spartakiada." The photographs were made between 1968 and 1990. Photographers whose work is represented include: Pavel Banka, Jaroslav Barta, Ivo Gil (although not listed in the "Fotofest 90" catalog index), Stepan Grygar, Jiri Hanke, Bohdan Holomicek, Viktor Kolar, Zdenek Lhotak, Miroslav Machotka, Jan Maly, Dusan Palka, Ivan Pinkava, Jiri Polacek, Jan Reco, Jan Reich, Pavel Stecha, Jindrich Streit, and Peter Zupnik. (Also listed in the "Fotofest 90" catalog index, but not represented in this collection, were Ivan Lutterer and Miro Svolik.)

The photographs are gelatin silver prints, with the five by Peter Zupnik embellished by hand coloring. The images vary in size, but most are mounted in numbered exhibition mats of one of two sizes (either 61 × 51 cm. or 51 × 41 cm.), with a few having been subsequently mounted on plain board. Some of the prints have sustained minor corner damage from repeated removal from the exhibition mats, and so should be handled carefully.

Titles and dates given in the following item list are reproduced as given by photographers on the prints. Information supplied by the cataloger is enclosed in square brackets. Czech language diacritics are not reproduced in this description.

- 990:0001:0001 [Nude woman and newspaper] 1986 #1 **Photographer:** Banka, Pavel DIS 165: large box 1
- 990:0001:0002 [Nude woman behind open window] 1985 #5 **Photographer:** Banka, Pavel DIS 165: large box 1
- 990:0001:0003 [Woman looking into round mirror] 1985/89 #3 **Photographer:** Banka, Pavel DIS 165: large box 1
- 990:0001:0004 [Nude woman with metal rod] 1985 #4 **Photographer:** Banka, Pavel DIS 165: large box 1
- 990:0001:0005 [Nude woman covering her eyes] 1985 #2 **Photographer:** Banka, Pavel DIS 165: large box 1
- 990:0001:0006 „Okna“ (Windows) 1981 #6 **Photographer:** Barta, Jaroslav DIS 165: large box 1
- 990:0001:0007 „Ulice“ (Streets) 1982 #7 **Photographer:** Barta, Jaroslav DIS 165: small box 1
- 990:0001:0008 „Okna“ (Windows) 1978 #8 **Photographer:** Barta, Jaroslav DIS 165: large box 1
- 990:0001:0009 „Ulice“ (Streets) 1979 #9 **Photographer:** Barta, Jaroslav DIS 165: large box 1
- 990:0001:0010 „Ulice“ (Streets) 1979 #10 **Photographer:** Barta, Jaroslav DIS 165: large box 1
- 990:0001:0011 The Farm [...] South Bohemia [Family and dog with horses] 1970-1975 #12 **Photographer:** Gil, Ivo DIS 165: small box 1
- 990:0001:0012 The Farm [...] South Bohemia [Man and wheelbarrow] 1970-1975 #13 **Photographer:** Gil, Ivo DIS 165: small box 1
- 990:0001:0013 Institut Oligofrenic Children „Leontyn“ [Nun and three children in hospital] 1970-1975 #14 **Photographer:** Gil, Ivo DIS 165: small box 1
- 990:0001:0014 Institut Oligofrenic Children „Leontyn“ [Boy with harmonica in hospital] 1970-1976 #15 **Photographer:** Gil, Ivo DIS 165: small box 1
- 990:0001:0015 [Three people silhouetted in a walkway. From series:] Pragues People from Old Town. 1986 #11 **Photographer:** Gil, Ivo DIS 165: small box 1
- 990:0001:0016 No title (Prague) [Doorway with power cables and bird] 1985 #17 **Photographer:** Grygar, Stepan DIS 165: large box 1
- 990:0001:0017 No title (Prague) [Spiral staircase from below, in snowfall] 1986 #19 **Photographer:** Grygar, Stepan DIS 165: large box 1
- 990:0001:0018 No title (Paris) [Milled stone wall]. 1982 #18 **Photographer:** Grygar, Stepan DIS 165: large box 1
- 990:0001:0019 No title (Prague) [Chair and stairway landing in light snow] 1985 #16 **Photographer:** Grygar, Stepan DIS 165: large box 1
- 990:0001:0020 No title (Prague) [Wall with windows, doorway, pipe, wire, and large vine] 1987 #20 **Photographer:** Grygar, Stepan DIS 165: large box 1
- 990:0001:0021 [Two women, arm-in-arm, one older than the other. From series:] Echoes of a Generation. 1986 #21 **Photographer:** Hanke, Jiri DIS 165: small box 1
- 990:0001:0022 Views from the Window of My Flat [Street and parking area, with three cars, at night in light snow] 1984 #23 **Photographer:** Hanke, Jiri DIS 165: small box 1
- 990:0001:0023 Views from the Window of My Flat [Street and parking area, with six cars, in falling snow] 1984 #22 **Photographer:** Hanke, Jiri DIS 165: small box 1
- 990:0001:0024 Views from the Window of My Flat [Street and utilities construction, with pipes, exposed tunnel substructure, and ladder] 1982 #24 **Photographer:** Hanke, Jiri DIS 165: small box 1
- 990:0001:0025 Views from the Window of My Flat [Tire tracks in snow, from vehicles turning around] 1982 #25 **Photographer:** Hanke, Jiri DIS 165: small box 1
- 990:0001:0026 [Man and twin boys posing in front of a floral fabric curtain. From series:] Echoes of a Generation. [n.d.] none **Photographer:** Hanke, Jiri DIS 165: small box 1
- 990:0001:0027 [Two men with pig] 1976 #26 **Photographer:** Holomicek, Bohdan DIS 165: small box 1
- 990:0001:0028 [Two women in a kitchen] 1986 #29 **Photographer:** Holomicek, Bohdan DIS 165:

small box 1

- 990:0001:0029 [Early morning snow scene, with delivery truck and cat] 1989 #27 **Photographer:** Holomicek, Bohdan DIS 165: small box 2
- 990:0001:0030 Praha [i.e., Prague. Pedestrians watching birds from a bridge] 1982 #28
Photographer: Holomicek, Bohdan DIS 165: small box 2
- 990:0001:0031 Semily [Building façade with portraits of people; sign in front reads: Galerie Nejlepsich Pracovniku Okresu Semily] 1987 #30 **Photographer:** Holomicek, Bohdan DIS 165: small box 2
- 990:0001:0032 Mlade 'Buem [Man and woman with wooden rail fence; photographer's presentation copy to Wendy Watriss] 1989 none **Photographer:** Holomicek, Bohdan DIS 165: small box 2
- 990:0001:0033 Dolni Dubnany [Older woman tending a grave in a churchyard] 1985 #32
Photographer: Kolar, Viktor DIS 165: small box 2
- 990:0001:0034 Ostrava [People watching and playing an outdoor game] 1981 #34 **Photographer:** Kolar, Viktor DIS 165: small box 2
- 990:0001:0035 Ostrava [Briefcases and lower third of two men wearing overcoats] 1979 #35
Photographer: Kolar, Viktor DIS 165: small box 2
- 990:0001:0036 Ostrava [Child standing on mound of dirt] 1981 #33 **Photographer:** Kolar, Viktor DIS 165: small box 2
- 990:0001:0037 Ostrava [Boy and woman on a sidewalk, with violin case and suitcases] 1975 #31
Photographer: Kolar, Viktor DIS 165: small box 2
- 990:0001:0038 Spartakiada [Men performing gymnastic stunts in the mud] 1985-1990 #37
Photographer: Lhoták, Zdenek DIS 165: small box 2
- 990:0001:0039 Sparta [Men performing gymnastic stunts in the mud] 1978-1990 #36
Photographer: Lhoták, Zdenek DIS 165: small box 2
- 990:0001:0040 Spartakiada [Soccer players] 1985-1990 none **Photographer:** Lhoták, Zdenek DIS 165: small box 2
- 990:0001:0041 Sparta [Smiling man watching crowd through window of a bus or train] 1984-1990 #39 **Photographer:** Lhoták, Zdenek DIS 165: small box 2
- 990:0001:0042 Sparta [Crowd watching sporting event] 1987-1990 #40 **Photographer:** Lhoták, Zdenek DIS 165: small box 2
- 990:0001:0043 Spartakiada [Muddy young men in white shorts] 1985-1990 none **Photographer:** Lhoták, Zdenek DIS 165: small box 2
- 990:0001:0044 [Outdoor abstraction: Masonry pillars and wires] 1985 #42 **Photographer:** Machotka, Miroslav DIS 165: small box 3
- 990:0001:0045 [Outdoor abstraction: Wires and broadcasting towers] 1983 #41 **Photographer:** Machotka, Miroslav DIS 165: small box 3
- 990:0001:0046 [Outdoor abstraction: Painted metal] 1988 #43 **Photographer:** Machotka, Miroslav DIS 165: small box 3
- 990:0001:0047 [Railway tracks on a street, with bridge in background] 1986 #44 **Photographer:** Machotka, Miroslav DIS 165: small box 3
- 990:0001:0048 [Urban landscape with white bits of fabric on a line] 1987 #45 **Photographer:** Machotka, Miroslav DIS 165: small box 3
- 990:0001:0049 [Four Czech Cowboys and a horse] 1982-85 #54 **Photographer:** Maly, Jan DIS 165: large box 2
- 990:0001:0050 [Portrait (full length) of two men in casual military attire] 1982-85 #47
Photographer: Maly, Jan DIS 165: large box 2
- 990:0001:0051 [Portrait (full length) of middle aged man in clean, pressed work clothes, wearing a cap] 1982-89 #55 **Photographer:** Maly, Jan DIS 165: large box 2
- 990:0001:0052 Czech People [Portrait (full length) of two boys wearing clean dungarees, long sleeved knit-shirts, suspenders, and leather shoes] 1982-89 #49 **Photographer:** Maly, Jan DIS 165: large box 2

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- 990:0001:0053 Czech People [Portrait (full length) of a man and woman, and two children; the man holds the younger child in his arms] 1982-89 #48 **Photographer:** Maly, Jan DIS 165: large box 2
- 990:0001:0054 Czech People [Portrait (full length) of a young man wearing plaid shirt, double-breasted jacket, black slacks and black leather shoes] 1982-89 #50 **Photographer:** Maly, Jan DIS 165: large box 2
- 990:0001:0055 [Portrait (full length) of a young man and two children] 1982-89 #53 **Photographer:** Maly, Jan DIS 165: large box 2
- 990:0001:0056 [Portrait (full length) of an old woman and a young man, holding hands] 1982-89 #52 **Photographer:** Maly, Jan DIS 165: large box 2
- 990:0001:0057 [Portrait (full length) of a young woman and a boy with balloons] 1982-89 #51 **Photographer:** Maly, Jan DIS 165: large box 2
- 990:0001:0058 [Portrait (full length) of a man in sleeveless undershirt with a bottle of beer] 1982-85 #46 **Photographer:** Maly, Jan DIS 165: large box 2
- 990:0001:0059 [Men unloading a stack of Coca Cola cases] [n.d.] #57 **Photographer:** Palka, Dusan DIS 165: small box 3
- 990:0001:0060 [Outdoor street scene: Awning and man with white cane] [n.d.] #59 **Photographer:** Palka, Dusan DIS 165: small box 3
- 990:0001:0061 [Outdoor sidewalk scene: People resting on park benches] [n.d.] #56 **Photographer:** Palka, Dusan DIS 165: small box 3
- 990:0001:0062 [Outdoor sidewalk scene: Man with shopping bag] [n.d.] #60 **Photographer:** Palka, Dusan DIS 165: small box 3
- 990:0001:0063 [Outdoor sidewalk scene: (Sighted) man and child, facing several blind pedestrians] [n.d.] #58 **Photographer:** Palka, Dusan DIS 165: small box 3
- 990:0001:0064 Portrait for Oscar Wilde. 1986 #62 **Photographer:** Pinkava, Ivan DIS 165: small box 3
- 990:0001:0065 Woman with Knife. 1986 #64 **Photographer:** Pinkava, Ivan DIS 165: small box 3
- 990:0001:0066 Portrait for Gertrude Stein. 1986 #63 **Photographer:** Pinkava, Ivan DIS 165: small box 3
- 990:0001:0067 Portrait for Vladimir Majakovskij [i.e. Mayakovsky] 1982 #61 **Photographer:** Pinkava, Ivan DIS 165: small box 3
- 990:0001:0068 Woman as Totem. 1983 #65 **Photographer:** Pinkava, Ivan DIS 165: small box 3
- 990:0001:0069 Praha [i.e. Prague. Low stone walls with weeds and lamp posts, at dusk] 1983 #69 **Photographer:** Polacek, Jiri DIS 165: large box 2
- 990:0001:0070 Praha [i.e. Prague. Street corner at night] 1983 #68 **Photographer:** Polacek, Jiri DIS 165: large box 2
- 990:0001:0071 Praha [i.e. Prague. Outdoor stairway with flagstone, painted mortar. Night] 1983 #66 **Photographer:** Polacek, Jiri DIS 165: large box 2
- 990:0001:0072 Praha [i.e. Prague. Entryway into covered alley, at night. Copy 2 is at 990:0001:0074] 1980 #70 **Photographer:** Polacek, Jiri DIS 165: large box 3
- 990:0001:0073 Praha [i.e., Prague. Covered alley, at night] 1983 #67 **Photographer:** Polacek, Jiri DIS 165: large box 3
- 990:0001:0074 Praha [i.e. Prague. Entryway into covered alley, at night. Copy 2 of 990:0001:0072] 1980 none **Photographer:** Polacek, Jiri DIS 165: large box 3
- 990:0001:0075 Praha [i.e., Prague. Street corner at night: wall and confluence of two sidewalks] 1980 none **Photographer:** Polacek, Jiri DIS 165: large box 3
- 990:0001:0076 Institutions of Social Care. [n.d.] #72 **Photographer:** Reco, Jan DIS 165: small box 4
- 990:0001:0077 Institutions of Social Care. [n.d.] #74 **Photographer:** Reco, Jan DIS 165: small box 4
- 990:0001:0078 Institutions of Social Care. [n.d.] #75 **Photographer:** Reco, Jan DIS 165: small box 4

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- 990:0001:0079 Institutions of Social Care. [n.d.] #71 **Photographer:** Reco, Jan DIS 165: small box 4
- 990:0001:0080 Ministry (Series). [n.d.] #73 **Photographer:** Reco, Jan DIS 165: small box 4
- 990:0001:0081 Zemlickova Lhota - Bohemian landscape. 1980 none **Photographer:** Reich, Jan DIS 165: small box 4
- 990:0001:0082 Obdenice - Bohemian Landscape [in snow, with late afternoon sun and clouds] 1981 #78 **Photographer:** Reich, Jan DIS 165: small box 4
- 990:0001:0083 Trckov [?] - Bohemian landscape. 1984 #80 **Photographer:** Reich, Jan DIS 165: small box 4
- 990:0001:0084 Kremenice - Bohemian landscape. 1983 #79 **Photographer:** Reich, Jan DIS 165: small box 4
- 990:0001:0085 Obdenice with flowers - (small) - Bohemian landscape. 1980 #77 **Photographer:** Reich, Jan DIS 165: small box 4
- 990:0001:0086 Cachovice - Bohemian landscape. 1980 #76 **Photographer:** Reich, Jan DIS 165: small box 4
- 990:0001:0087 Old People's Rest Home, Prague. 1968-70 #82 **Photographer:** Stecha, Pavel DIS 165: small box 4
- 990:0001:0088 Old People's Rest Home, Prague. 1968-70 #81 **Photographer:** Stecha, Pavel DIS 165: small box 4
- 990:0001:0089 Cottage owners, Celakovice. 1970/1983 #83 **Photographer:** Stecha, Pavel DIS 165: small box 4
- 990:0001:0090 Cottage owners, Celakovice [Portrait of shirtless, middle aged man with a shovel. See Fotofest 90 catalog, p. 81, titled: Weekend Homes.] 1971 #84 **Photographer:** Stecha, Pavel DIS 165: large box 3
- 990:0001:0091 Cottage owners, Slapy [Portrait of middle aged man and woman, outdoors with cluttered table] 1970 #85 **Photographer:** Stecha, Pavel DIS 165: large box 3
- 990:0001:0092 Cottage owners, Hlasna Treban [Portrait of middle aged man and pile of rock] 1970 none **Photographer:** Stecha, Pavel DIS 165: large box 3
- 990:0001:0093 [Man and three children sitting on a bed and watching television. See Fotofest 90 catalog, p. 83] 1983 #90 **Photographer:** Streit, Jindrich DIS 165: small box 5
- 990:0001:0094 Bien [A family, with child reaching for the mother's drink] 1980 #89 **Photographer:** Streit, Jindrich DIS 165: small box 5
- 990:0001:0095 [Handwritten caption illegible; depicts two boys] 1985 #86 **Photographer:** Streit, Jindrich DIS 165: small box 5
- 990:0001:0096 [Handwritten caption illegible; depicts old woman and a priest] 1980 #87 **Photographer:** Streit, Jindrich DIS 165: small box 5
- 990:0001:0097 [Handwritten caption illegible; depicts brass band playing outdoors] 1980 #88 **Photographer:** Streit, Jindrich DIS 165: small box 5
- 990:0001:0098 [Handwritten caption illegible; depicts man in hat, carrying a television] 1981 none **Photographer:** Streit, Jindrich DIS 165: small box 5
- 990:0001:0099 Lovely Nice - You My Lovely Little Lizard - Lovely Nice [hand col.] 1987/89 #93 **Photographer:** Zupnik, Peter DIS 165: large box 3
- 990:0001:0100 Dog's Day [Back of a dalmation, with black spots (scratched in negative) continued in sky; hand col.] 1985/1990 #95 **Photographer:** Zupnik, Peter DIS 165: large box 3
- 990:0001:0101 The Good and the Evil = Dobro A Zlo [hand col.] 1985/1990 #91 **Photographer:** Zupnik, Peter DIS 165: large box 3
- 990:0001:0102 My Landscape [hand col.] 1989/1990 #92 **Photographer:** Zupnik, Peter DIS 165: large box 3
- 990:0001:0103 Clouds in My Room [hand col.] 1985/1990 #94 **Photographer:** Zupnik, Peter DIS 165: large box 3