Czech life and culture

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Milan Kundera

- born on 1st April 1929 in Brno
- Czech-French writer
- exile in France since 1975



Leoš Janáček (1854-1928)

- composer, folklorist, musical theoretist- young conservative, old avantgardist



Janáček's operas

 Jenůfa (Její pastorkyňa, Her Stepdaughter) – premiered in 1904 in Brno

- Káťa Kabanová
- The Cunning Little Vixen
- The Makropulos Affair
- From the House of the Dead
- The Excursions of Mr. Broucek

Janáček's other works

- Sinfonietta
- Glagolitic Mass



Alfons Mucha (1860-1939)

-Art Nouveau Painter and decorative artist

- Slavic Epic: <u>https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Slav_Epic</u>

Tomaš Garrigue Masaryk (1850-1937)

- the first president of Czechoslovakia, sociologist, philosopher
- "father of the nation"
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mCUYMZU-mwQ
- "Do not fear and do not steal"

Otto Wichterle (1913-1998)

- chemist
- inventor of contact lenses





Jaromír Jágr (1972)

- hockey player
- one of the best European players in NHL
 member of Triple Golg Club





Miloš Forman (1932)

- film maker, director
- Oscar winner
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mCUYMZU-mwQ



Miloš Forman's famous films

- Loves of a Blonde
- The Fireman's Ball
- One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest
- Hair
- Amadeus
- Valmont
- The People vs. Larry Flint
- Man on the Moon

Václav Havel

- 5 October 1936 18 December 2011
- Czech writer, playwright, statesman
- "Truth and love must prevail over lies and hatrod"



Vaclas Have

Jára Cimrman

- fictional character of universal talents
- the fictional personality (universal genius, inventor, sportsman, criminalist, poet, writer and philosopher...)
- "The Greatest Czech"
- Cimrmanology



Jaroslav Hašek

- April 30, 1883 January 3, 1923
- writer, humorist, satirist, journalist, bohemian and anarchist



The Good Soldier Švejk Josef Švejk by Josef Lada





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Třebíč

- situated in the Vysočina region (Highlands)
- UNESCO heritage: the St. Procopius' basilica and the Jewish Quarter with Jewish cemetery
- virtual guide of the World Heritage Unesco

Zelená hora

- situated in the Vysočina region (Highlands)
- http://www.zelena-hora.cz/en

Olomouc

- historical town, students' town
- The Holy Trinity Column (on the Unesco list)
- Saint Wenceslas Cathedral
- Baroque fountains
- Museum of Art

Mikulov

- lying on the border with Lowe Austria
- Mikulov Wine Trail
- Saint Wenceslas Cathedral





Děkuji za pozornost!

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