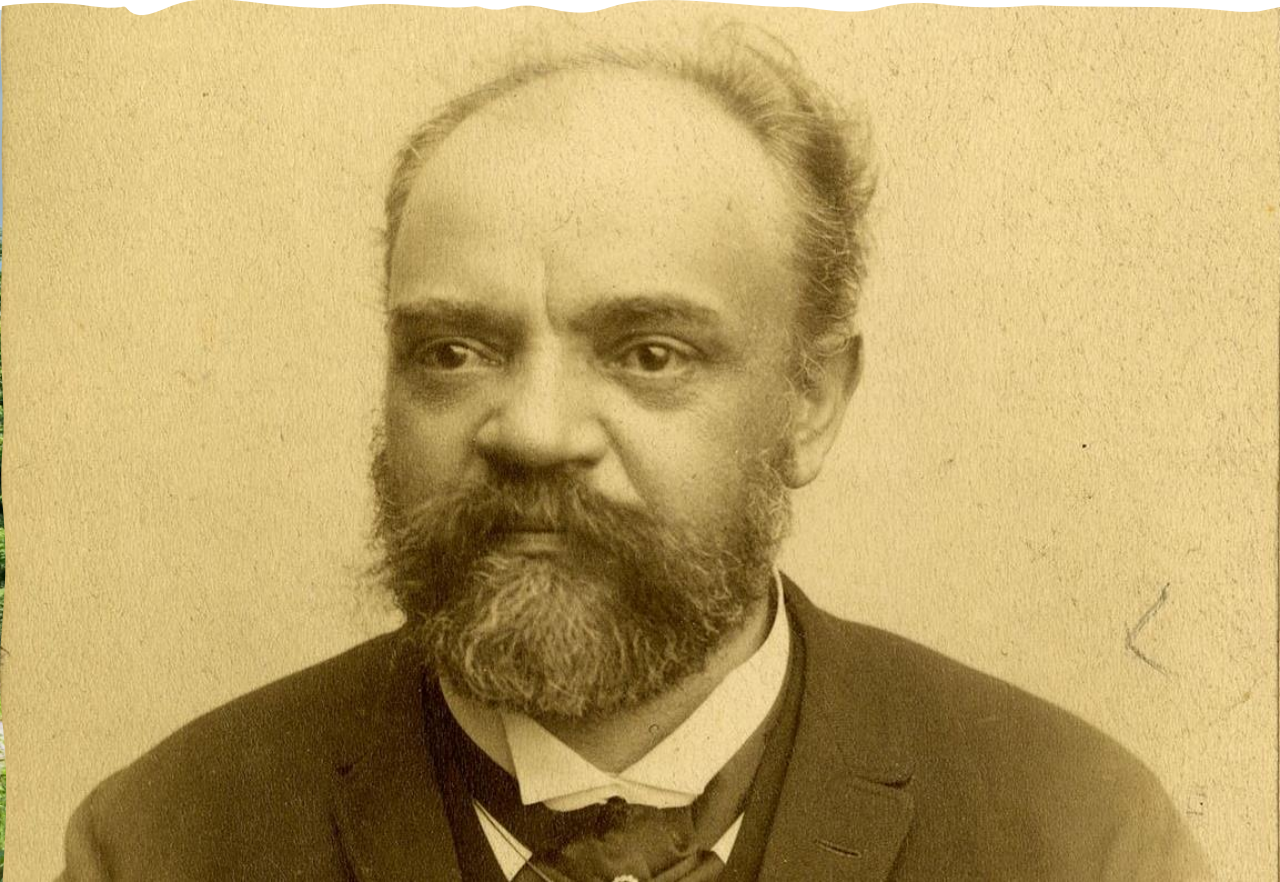


Antonín Dvořák Museum: History, collections, research and publishing projects

Veronika Vejvodová, National Museum – Antonín Dvořák Museum



History of the Antonín Dvořák Museum

- Founded by **Society for the Erection of a Monument to Maestro Antonín Dvořák in Prague, 1931**
- The first meeting was attended by: **Anna Dvořáková, Magda Dvořáková, Josef Suk, Otakar Šourek**
- Museum established by the Society **in 1932**
- Nationalized in the 50's and became part of the **Memorial of National Literature**
- Part of the Museum of Czech Music - **National Museum since 1976**



First collection

- Dvořák's household objects
 - Composer's desk and chair
 - Armchair and coffee table
 - Rocking chair
 - Piano
 - Two violas
 - Awards (silver cups, wreaths, diplomas)
 - Composer's writing utensils
 - Spectacles
 - Watch





First exhibition

1931: Accessible only in the summer months



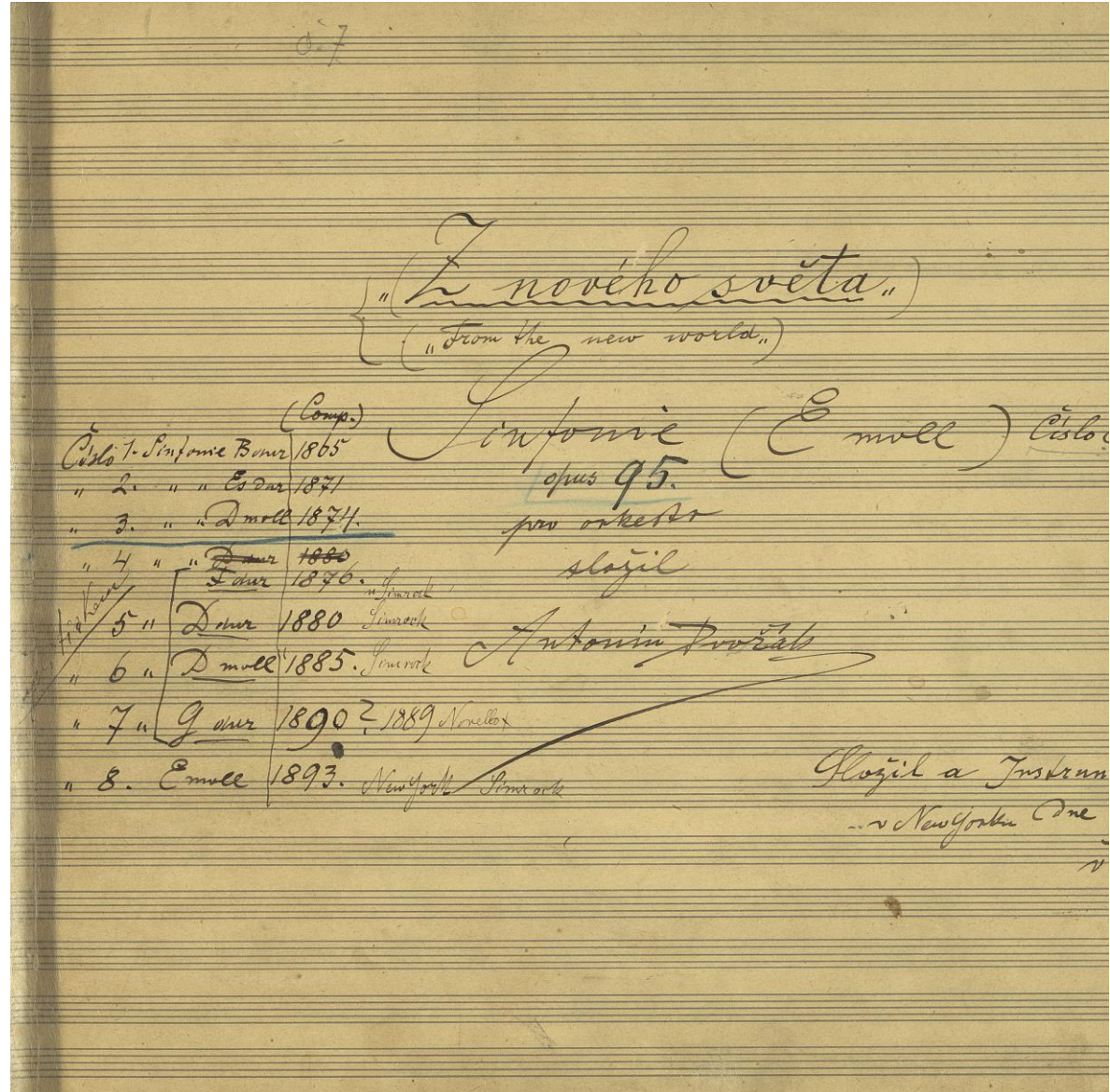
Villa America

- **Summer residence** of Count Michna of Vacínov
- **K. I. Dientzenhofer** – architect, M. B. Braun – sculpturer
- Built in the years **1717–1720**
- The Dvořák Museum's headquarters **since the museum's inception in 1932**
- Collections stored in the **vault of the Czech Museum of Music**
- The museum has:
 - **permanent exhibition**
 - **temporary exhibitions**

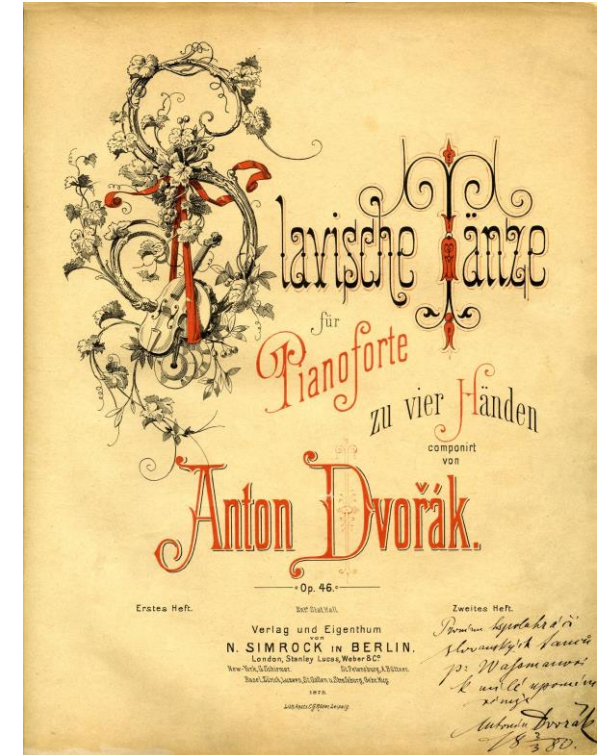
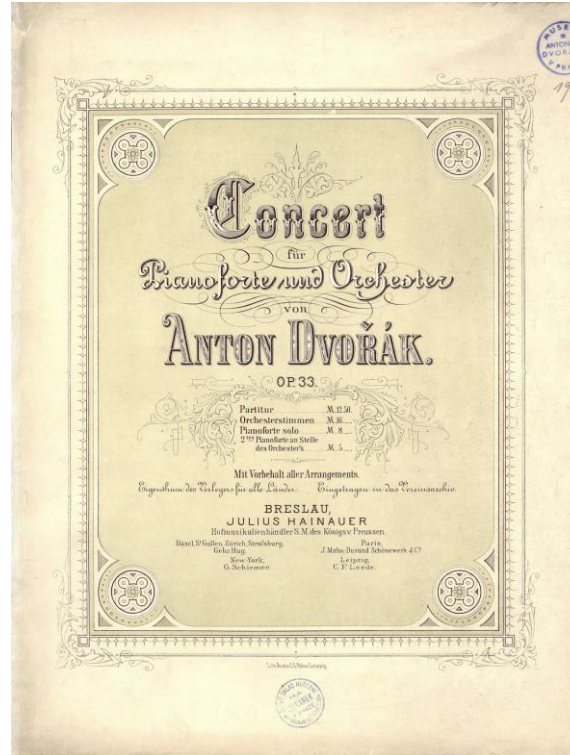


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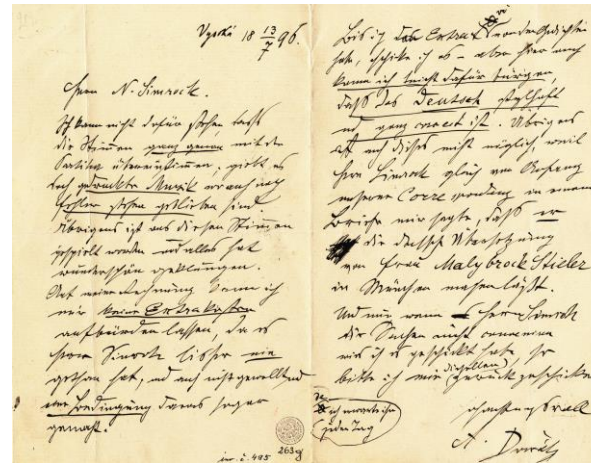
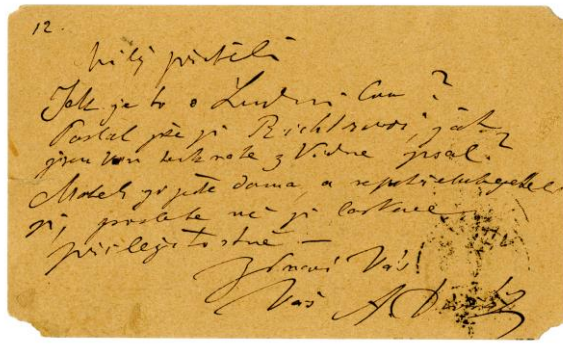
- 9.000 items
- Music manuscripts
- Correspondence
- Personal documents
- Personal library
- Print editions
- Iconography
- Printed Documentation



Print editions



Correspondence



Personal documents

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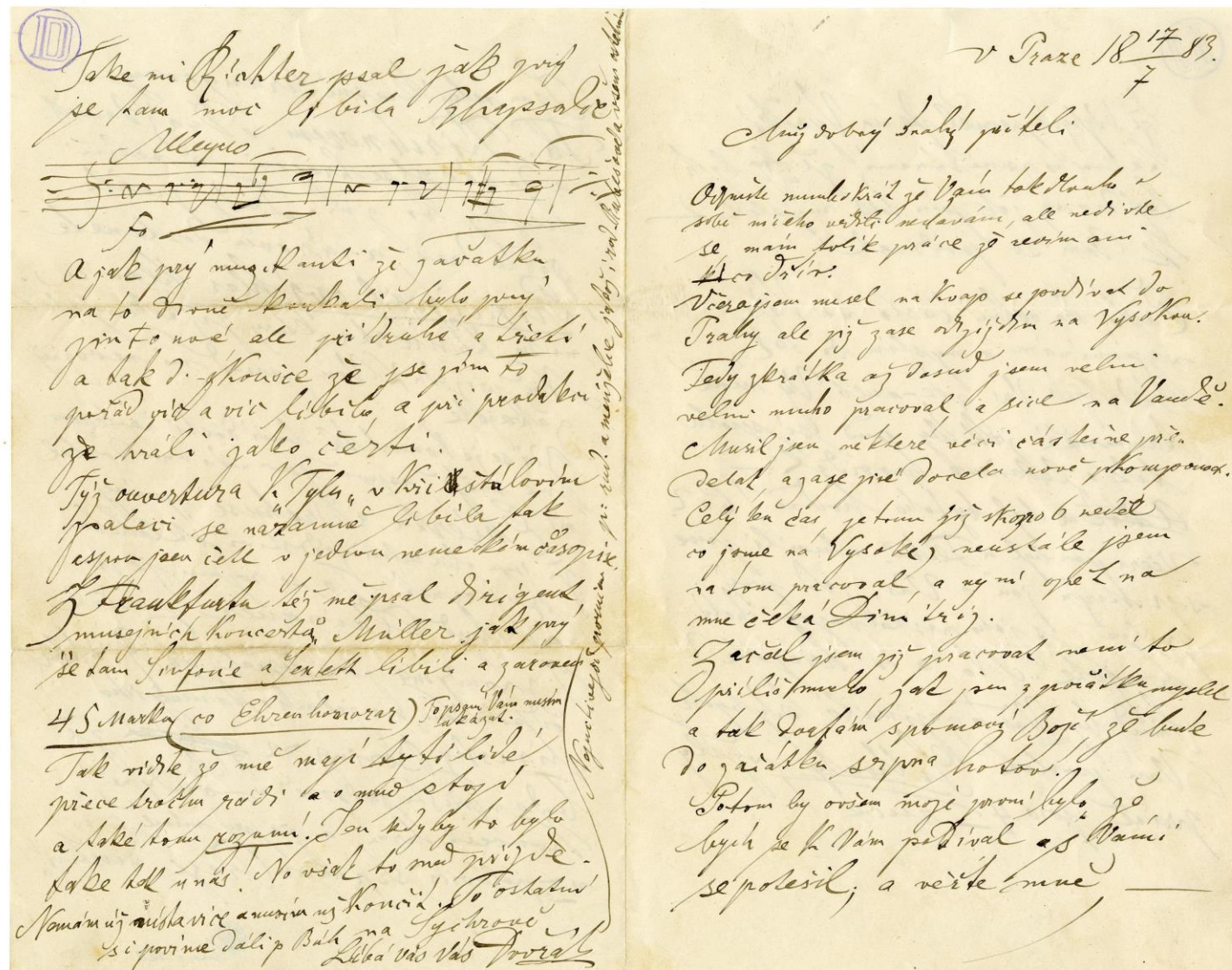
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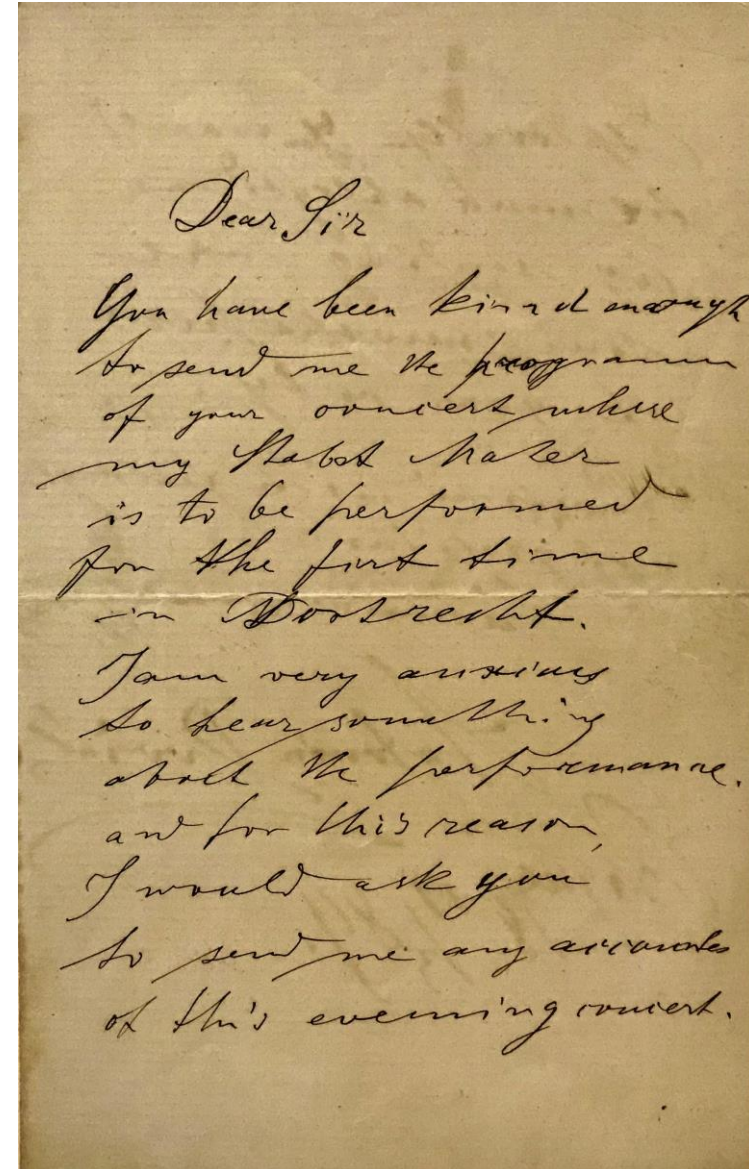
Research

- Dvořák's correspondence online
- New editions of Dvořák's works (songs) - collaboration with Bärenreiter Praha
- Collections – research of unknown and unpublished parts of the collections
- Further research topics
 - Dvořák's last operas
 - Reception of composer's works
 - Relations between Dvořák and Janáček



Correspondence online

- The correspondence was published in **10 volumes** between **1987 and 2004**
- We are building on this project with an **online database**:
 - <https://antonindvorak.nm.cz/cs/>
 - Includes **only correspondence from the collections of the Antonín Dvořák Museum**
 - Including new and **unpublished acquisitions**
 - **Full view** of the scanned document
 - **Search** by different criteria
 - A project is currently underway to transcribe Czech, German and English correspondence; prepare editorial guidelines and improve searching tools



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You have been kind enough
to send me the programme
of your concert where
my *Stabat Mater*
is to be performed
for the first time
in Dordrecht.

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to hear something
about the performance,
and for this reason,
I would ask you
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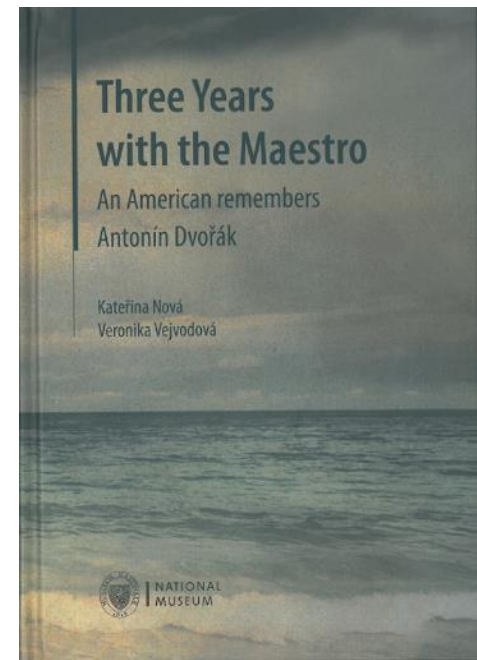
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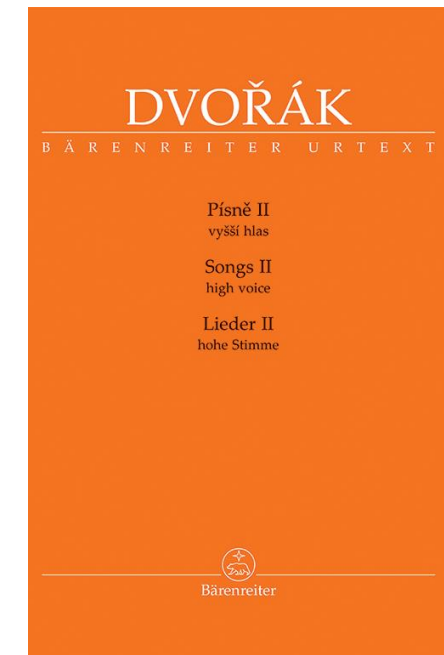
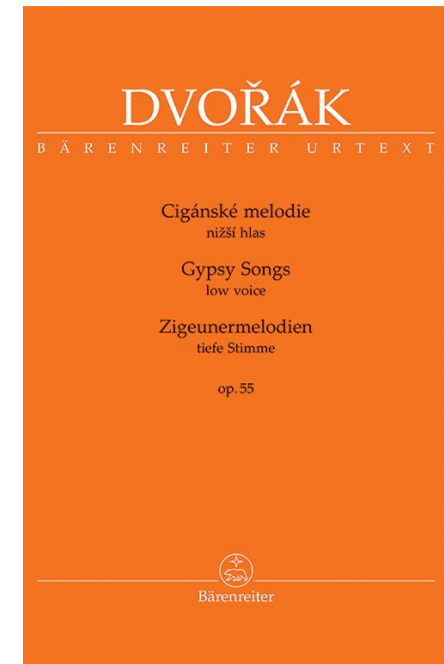
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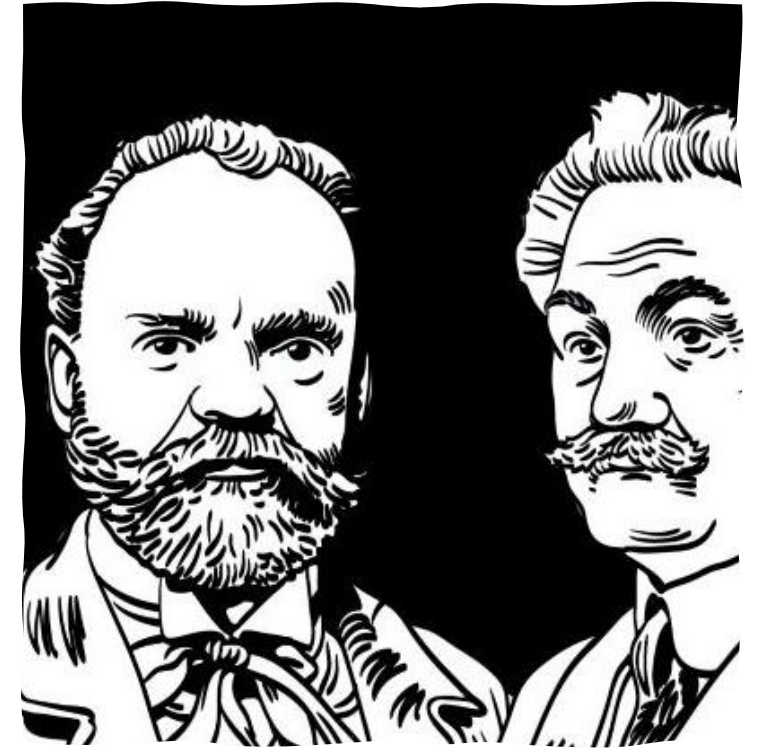
Songs – for both high and low voices

- Songs I (will be published in autumn 2022)
- Songs II (2017)
- Gypsy Melodies (2018)



Exhibitions

- **Famous Czech Composers**
 - Historical Building of the National Museum
- **Regular Exhibitions** at the Dvořák Museum
 - Dvořák and Fame
- **Exhibitions outside** the museum within the collaboration with different institutions
 - Nelahozeves
 - Vysoká
 - Česká Kamenice



Events

- **Dvořák 180 (2021)**
 - Conference on Chamber Music
 - Workshop Dvořák and Opera
 - External exhibitions in Nelahozeves and Česká Kamenice
- Regular **concerts** – collaboration with Prague Conservatory
- Regular **lectures**
- **Dvořákova Nelahozeves festival**
 - Lobkowicz Collections, Municipality Nelahozeves, Dvořák Society

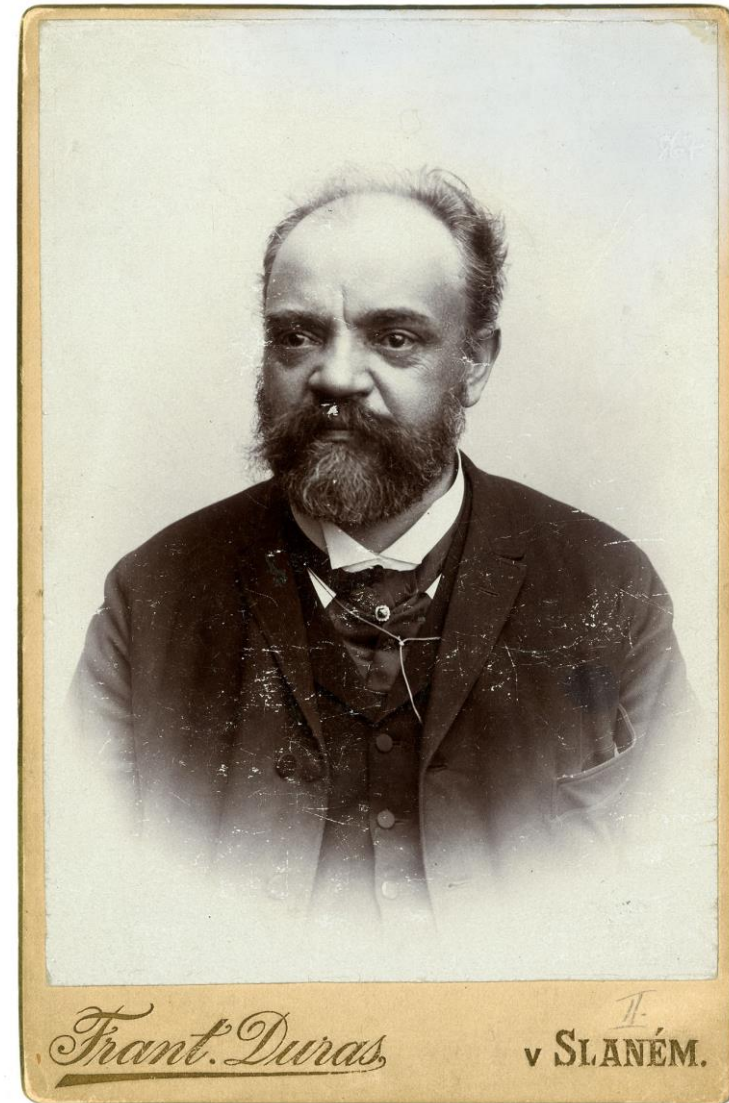


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Future publication plans

- **Dvořák in photographs** - book
- **Dvořák's last operas** - book
- **Recollections of Otakar Dvořák** (Dvořák's son) – new edition
- **Jarmil Burghauser** - catalogue of the estate of the composer and Dvořák scholar
- Continued **online processing** of correspondence and other collections of the Antonín Dvořák Museum



Thank you for your attention!

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