



Marina Cvetajeva on the relief by Jan Maget (Library of Všenory)

## Marina Cvetajeva

A prominent Russian poet of the early 20<sup>th</sup> century (1892-1941), lived in Bohemia between 1922 and 1925, most of the time in Horní Mokropsy and Všenory where her son was born. The Czech period is referred to as the peak of her work. She published her first poetry collection at the age of seventeen. Regardless of the difficult living conditions, she used to write every morning. Her dramatic life events – daughter's death, emigration, occupation of Czechoslovakia, tragic years after her return to her homeland, but also love for her neighbors and the depth of her soul – are projected in her work.



A commemorative plaque with the poet's night message for her husband, or a "Shopping List for a Husband", complemented with drawings, was revealed on the house V Chaloupkách in Všenory in 2012.

## Marina Cvetajeva

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Crimson, bright-clustered  
The rowan waxed warm.  
Falling leaves fluttered,  
And I was born.

Belfries competed  
In hundredfold chimes.  
Saturday: feast of  
Saint John the Divine.

Till now I cherish  
The craving to crunch  
Warm rowan berries'  
Bitter sharp bunch.

Poem translated by: Robin Kimball



A view into the exhibition.  
Photo: Lukáš Kliment



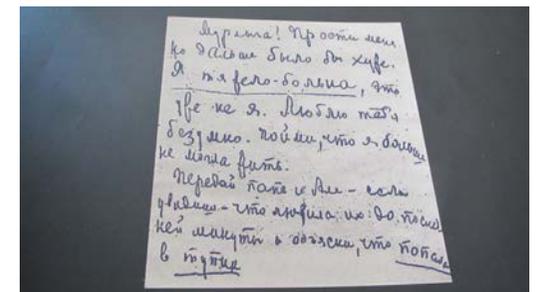
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### You can buy at the exhibition

Vaněčková, Galina, Kuročkin, Andrej, Kuročkinová, Inna. **Centrum Mariny Cvětajevové (Center of Marina Cvetajeva)** Praha: Společnost Mariny Cvětajevové, 2012. (Catalog available)

Vaněčková, Galina, Kuročkin, Andrej, Kuročkinová, Inna, Vaneček, Mirko. **Praha Mariny Cvětajevové: průvodce po místech pobytu M. Cvětajevové v Praze a blízkém okolí 1922-1925**

(Prague of Marina Cvetajeva: A Guide Book of the Places of Stay of M. Cvetajeva in Prague and the Surrounding Area 1922 - 1925). Praha:2013.

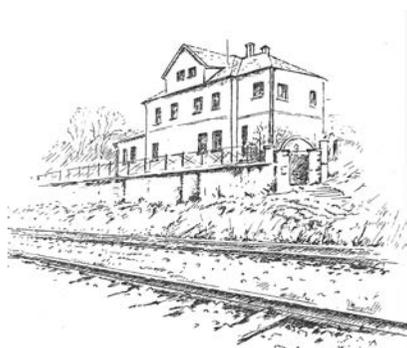


Last letter by the exhausted and sick Marina Cvetajeva for her son Georgy

**“The train still stops here.** The station has not changed much. Maybe the direction of some roads while the sidewalks also haven't changed. If you went left from the station, you would come to the local library. There you would find not just a couple of volumes of your poetry and scholarly books about you, but also the librarian...”

Summer Special: Letter for Marina Ivanovna Cvetajeva

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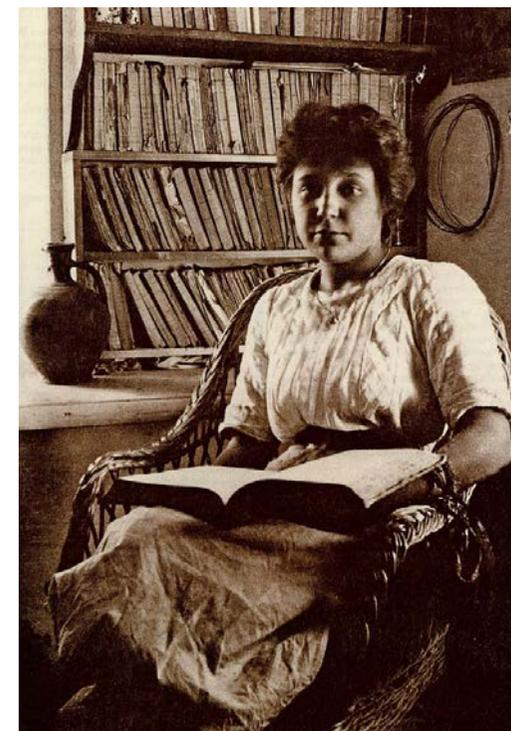
Drawing by Drahomír Majer



## Center of Marina Cvetajeva



documents the life and work of the prominent Russian poet. It focuses mainly on the period of her life in Bohemia and this region. The exhibition includes a collection of poems published by the poet in different languages. There are also publications available about the life of Marina Cvetajeva, some of which are truly unique. The book collection is also complemented with the works of her favorite authors. All books are available as inter-library loans in the library reading room and they can also be found in the online catalog of the Library of Všenory. The Center was established through the cooperation of the municipality of Všenory, the Library of Všenory and the now-defunct Company of Marina Cvetajeva in 2016. The following persons participated in the creation of the exhibition: Galina Vaněčková, Mirko Vaněček, Andrej Kuročkin and Inna Kuročkinová. The original design of the exhibition area is from Iva Segeti, the design was further elaborated and implemented by the director of the Centre for Contemporary Art, Leoš Válka, in cooperation with Galina Vaněčková.



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