

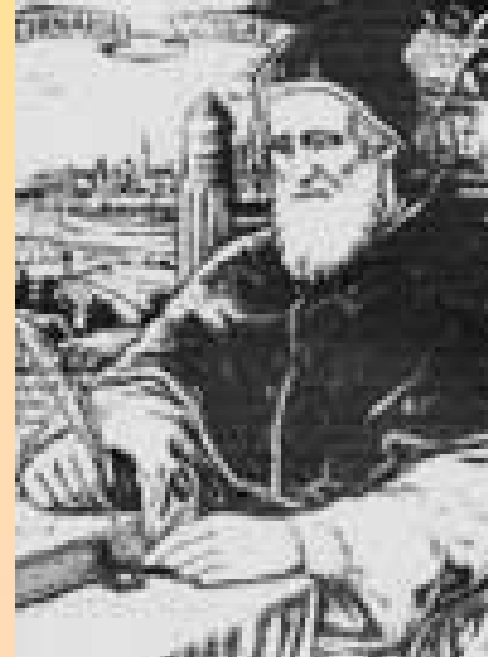
Humanism in Slovakia

What is it?

- Philosophical and ethical position, which gives the central place of man, his needs and interests, and generally rejects religion and emphasizes rationalism
- Social, cultural and literary movement at the beginning of the Renaissance, which sought to restore the ancient knowledge and culture

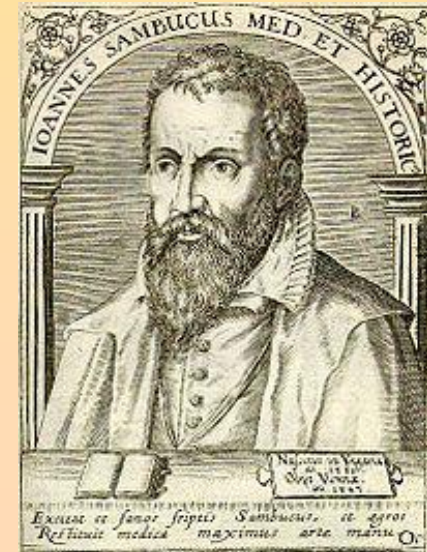
Mikuláš Oláh

Humanist scholar, archbishop of Esztergom, Primate of Hungary in Trnava, Hungary Chancellor, Hont district administrator, governor of Hungary. Founder of humanistic education in Trnava - College issued by the curriculum.



Ján Sambucus

Humanist, philologist, physician, historian and editor of ancient authors. He was waiting to historians of the Emperor Ferdinand I. and his successors. Trnava native and patron of the town. He wrote over 50 works. He is the author of the first veterinary publications in Hungary.



Betlanovce castle

Mansion is linked with Thurzas. In 1564 it was built by Peter Feigel, whose wife Katherine was the daughter of Magdalene Bobst, wife of Levoča citizen and sister of Alexei Thurzo, Kremnica chamber count. The mansion was in 1945 rather scruffy and when reconstructed in 1955-1960 (with the correct wall above the entrance portal Sgraffito), restored the wooden gallery around the first floor. It is an important historic building as the first Renaissance mansion of this kind in Slovakia.



Renaissance in Slovakia

It is...

- in other words revival, rebirth
- period in civilized and spiritual life in Western and Central Europe. It is parallel with religious reformation and it interlocks to Antique (especially on Platon).

The Manor House in Bytča



It was built in 1571-157. It is square-shaped building with central courtyard and arcades. On the walls of arcades on the courtyard are paintings and portraits of the dukes. There is six-storied tower with the Renaissance decoration in the centre of the northern wing of the compound.

There is State Regional Archives which moved to the manor house.

Wedding Palace in Bytča



- is only of the kind in Slovakia. Its owner, Paladin Juraj Thurzo had it built in 1601 for wedding feasts of his seven daughters.

The Town Hall in Levoča

- One of the most prominent European towns (in past) almost completely surrounded by walls until today.
- The first mention was in 1249 and the oldest document (where Levoča was mentioned) was issued by Hungarian king Belo IV. and he documented the act of presenting the grounds to the Spiš Prior.



The Strážky Manor House



- is one of the oldest ones in Slovakia. Following its reconstruction. The chateau serves the Slovak National Gallery, which is displaying various expositions here. Rather: historical furniture, interior accessories, historic library and a collection of artistic crafts (17th – 19th century).