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BOSKOVICE

The Town of the 7-Tooth Comb

Travelling for Information

The Museum of Boskovice

The museum has been in Boskovice since 1905. It was established by a group of enthusiastic people gathered round František Lipka, a pharmacist, Karel Snětina, a doctor, and others. They collected historic, ethnographic, natural and archeological antiquities. The museum participated in scientific activities, especially in archeological research. This research work made František Lipka and Karel Snětina quite famous.

The museum´s collections contain approximately 22,000 items, mainly archeological finds, there are thousands of historic as well as contemporary photographs and negatives. The library, open to the public, offers over 6,000 specialized (technical and scientific) books. The museum studies the history of Boskovice and its environs. They collect materials, prepare exhibitions and trips for the public, they have had many of publications, and there are other activities that make cultural life in Boskovice richer and more interesting.

Permanent exhibitions:

- **The changes in manufacturing**: the history of guilds in Boskovice
- **The Valley of Boskovice in prehistoric times**: 40,000 BC – 1,200 AD
- **The Celts at Staré Hradisko**: crafts and trade

The Jewish town in Boskovice

The exhibition in the synagogue, open to the public in June 2002, deals with the history of the Jewish Town and the tragic fate of the Jews. Visitors can also see a video and a computer presentation.

The Museum of agricultural machinery

In late 1970s the Secondary Vocational School in Boskovice collected some old machines to be used for teaching purposes. This collection became the foundation for today's exhibition. There are machines produced by Czech and Moravian factories (Škoda, Praga, Zetor, Wikow, Svoboda, Slavia) as well as foreign products (Lorenc, Benz, Kokora, Lanz Bulldog, Famo, Fordson, Farmall, Massey Harris, Mc Cormick) which were used in the initial stages of using labor-saving machinery in agriculture. Part of the exhibition is a collection of historic tools.

Otakar Kubin gallery

The gallery was opened in 1996 when the former permanent exhibition of Otakar Kubín´s paintings had been closed. Part of the gallery is reserved for Kubín´s work. By the end of 2003 there were 48 exhibitions by different painters.
Besides exhibitions, there are also concerts of chamber music, or public talks. Some pictures, graphic art, sculptures or ceramics are sold here too.

Nature trails in Boskovice and environs

"**Hradní okruh**" (Castle Trail – 6.2 km) and "**Oborský okruh**" (Game Park Trail – 3.6 km) connect up with the marked hiking trails. 15 boards along these trails give information on history, geography, geology, topography, animals and plants. There are spots where you can stop and have a nice view of the country.