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LETNÍ ŠKOLA SLOVANSKÝCH STUDIÍ V PRAZE

Filozofická fakulta Univerzity Karlovy



Monday 29. 7.

Literary tour

19.30 departure Masarykova dormitory

20.00 departure from the faculty

Prague is a city packed full of incredible stories, and this tour aims to bring many of those stories to life. Are you a bookish person? Would you like to discover more about the local writers who lived through Prague's turbulent history? Told in a detailed, humorous, and passionate style, this tour offers a different, literary perspective on the city. How did Kundera go from being a dissident film lecturer, to a reclusive novelist who preferred to claim he was French? How did Bohumil Hrabal, a man who worked many jobs, drank many pints of beer, and fostered many cats, formulate his prose? How did the interwar avant garde of this city navigate the changing political landscape of the 20th century? When Kafka passionately wrote his 'Letters to Milena', who exactly was this Milena who had stimulated his love? And how does 19th century Czech poetry relate to their decision to choose the 1st May as the national 'day of love'? Offering far more than average 'free tour' content, this is a tour for book lovers, and dreamy lovers of Prague in general.

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