

## Abstract

The main body of this work concerns cultural life in Vlašim after the second world war from 1945 to 1989. There are four specific groups that can be categorized as cultural associations; a nature group Mr. Vlasak group, Blaník Vlašim Choir and an amateur theatre group and friends of fine arts Vlašim. The first three clubs date comfortably within our chosen era and they are important to deepen our knowledge of cultural societies of that time.

To understand the history of these various cultural societies in Vlašim, it is necessary to broaden our perspective. When we see these cultural groups in the context of the development of federal activities, we can see how the town was guided in its development.

The majority of the research has been done using archival material from Museum Podblanicka, the Prague Regional Archive and also the Benešov State Archive. Added to this were other written historical accounts of the time as well as interviews conducted with knowledgeable first hand sources.