



I was born on 10.10.1957, graduated from the State Linguistic University in Minsk, Belarus, English Department, in 1979.

Being a director of the Museum of History and Regional Studies in Novogrudok since 1989, I created a permanent exhibition on a separate ground - the Jewish Resistance Museum - in 2007. The memorial exhibition is devoted to two acts of the most successful Jewish resistance in Europe during the Nazi occupation – the escape of the ghetto prisoners through the tunnel and the Bielski partisan detachment, the largest Jewish family partisan unit in Europe. At the moment I'm a researcher and curator of the Jewish Resistance Museum.

For two years (2013-2015) I coordinated Belarusian part of a cross-border project 'Shtetl Routes. Vestiges of Jewish cultural heritage in cross-border tourism' financed by the EU.

Topics of research:

1. WWII and Holocaust in the area of Novogrudok in the context of relations of people of different nationalities and faiths.
2. Legacy of Adam Mickiewicz, a well-known Polish poet born in Novogrudok, and his possible impact on Christian-Jewish relations in the area of Novogrudok.
3. Jewish cultural heritage in the western regions of Belarus.

Publications:

1. Research about the Holocaust in Novogrudok and life under the Nazi occupation was published in the book 'Was bleibt?' by Hartmut Winterfeldt (Germany, 2008);
2. About 30 articles in the Encyclopedia 'Holocaust on the territory of the Soviet Union'(Moscow, 2009)
3. A dozen of articles for the 'Encyclopedia of Camps and ghettos, 1933-1945 (the USHMM, 2010)

Publications on the topics of research in numerous conference proceedings, including:

- a) The Holocaust and Resistance in Novogrudok (Belarus), The Thirteenth Annual International Interdisciplinary Conference on Jewish Studies, Moscow, 2006
- b) Jewish women-partisans in Belarus, Crisis and Credibility in the Jewish-Christian World: Remembering Franklin H. Little, The Fortieth Annual Scholar's Conference on the Holocaust and the Churches, Temple University, 2011.
- c) Legacy of Adam Mickiewicz – Contribution to the European and World Culture, The Second Congress of Scholars of Polish Origin, Conference on the Contribution of Poles into the Culture of the Country They Were Born in, Olsztyn, 2012
- d) 5 articles in the Guidebook 'Shtetl Routes', 2016-17

Organized conferences and seminars:

1. Conferences on the history and culture of the Novogrudok region (1993, 1994, 1995, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2001, 2006, 2010, 2012)
2. Seminars on teaching about the Holocaust (2003, 2004, 2005, 2007)

3. Educational summer session together with the Russian Educational Holocaust Center (2009)
4. Conference on Jewish history and culture as part of history and culture of Belarus (2011)

Translated books:

1. 'Surviving the Holocaust with the Russian Jewish partisans' by Jack Kagan and Dov Cohen (Minsk, 1999) from English into Belarusian and from English into Russian (published under the title 'Holocaust and Resistance in the land of Adam Mickiewicz' (Moscow, 2011)
2. 'Kraj Lat Dziecinnych', a book of memoirs by Jan Bulhak, from Polish into Belarusian (Minsk, 2006);
3. a series of articles from English into Russian published in the book 'Antisemitism. Generic hatred' (Moscow, 2009).

Documentary film experience:

1. Ray Meers programme 'Extreme Survival' about the Bielski partisans, BBC (Bristol), 2002 – a researcher and interpreter
2. 'Do you know who you are?' (England) about Natasha Kaplinski, BBC (London), 2006 – a researcher and interpreter
3. 'You think you know who you are' (USA) about Lisa Kudrow, BBC (Los Angeles), 2009 - a researcher and interpreter
4. Documentary 'Tunnel of Hope' by D. Schwartz (Israel), 2012 – consultant.
5. Documentaries 'Guardians of Memory' and 'Till the Last Step' by Boris Mafzir, an Israeli documentary film director, 2014-2016 – a consultant and one of the characters.
6. Documentary 'The Book of Curses' based on the diary written by Benjamin Berkovich, a prisoner of the Novogrudok ghetto (2010-2017) – idea, a researcher and co-producer.
7. Documentary 'Le Chaim!', 2018 – a script-writer.