



Slovenska
MIZA

The Seattle Slovene American Society *Slovenska Miza (Slovene Table)*
and the University of Washington invite you to attend a

Festival of Slovene-American Culture

Saturday, October 8, 10:30 am – 6:00 pm

University of Washington, Seattle campus
Communications Building 120 and 204

Free and open to the public
Parking free on the UW campus after 12:00 noon

featuring, from Cleveland, renowned Slovene-American historian, lecturer and
screenwriter

Joe Valencic

and from Ely, MN, Slovene-American local historian

Mary Lou Deyak-Voelk

Join us for part or all of an exciting day-long celebration of Slovene-American culture,
led by these visiting experts, including

*brief lectures..., demonstrations of crafts...,
film screenings... Slovene music... socializing... refreshments... much more...*

For more information, contact UW Professor of Slovene Michael Biggins at
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From the October 8 program...

Joe Valencic presents:

Bogdan Grom: Biography of a famous Slovenian American artist

Joe has been active on Slovenia's film scene for nearly twenty years. "Bogdan Grom" profiles the artist from his life under the Mussolini occupation, through the tribulations of World War II and post-war Yugoslavia, to the challenge of rebuilding his career in New York City and acclaim as a sculptor, painter and graphic artist. Grom still produces art. The documentary was written by Joe Valencic and directed by Slovenian filmmaker Damjan Kozole. Grom recently made a large donations of Slovenian books and archival materials to the museum and library of the Slovenian Union of America headquarters in Joliet, Illinois. The film viewing will introduced by Joe Valencic and followed by a question and answer session with the screenwriter.



Damjan Kozole (director of the film **Bogdan Grom**), the artist Bogdan Grom, and Joe Valencic (screenwriter)

Also featuring these shorter documentary films created by Joe Valencic:

-- 100% Slovenian: The Stories of Slovenian Women in America

Four generations of American women speak about growing up Slovenian. Filmed in Pittsburgh, Chicago, Cleveland, Washington DC, and New York. (60 minutes)

-- Polka! The Movie: Music, Sausages and Slovenians in America

Slovenian-style music in America, featuring bandleaders Walter Ostanek, Joey Miskulin, Joey Tomsick, Bob Kravos and Frank Yankovic.