



# Polish Cultural Foundation, Inc.

## Polska Fundacja Kulturalna



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### HISTORY

Almost forty years ago the Association of Polish Teachers in Buffalo formed an organization to support Polish culture, heritage, and language as well as to coordinate efforts of various Polish American Organizations. Established on June 28, 1965, the organization was registered by Dr. Wlodzimierz Drzewieniecki, its first president, under the name of the Polish Council on Cultural Affairs Inc. (Polsko-Amerykanski Komitet Oswiatowy).

In 1971 the name was officially changed to the Polish Cultural Foundation, Inc. (Polska Fundacja Kulturalna) under the leadership of Mr. John M. Frysiak. He was succeeded in 1974, by Dr. Wlodzimierz Drzewieniecki, who served as president of the Foundation until 2002.

Dr. Kazimierz Braun, a scholar, writer, and theatre director who serves as a professor of Theatre Arts at the University at Buffalo was elected president in November 2002. The *Paderewski Festival: Plays-Pianos and Presentations*, organized by the Foundation was held in February, 2004 in several Western New York venues in cooperation with other local Polish-American organizations. The festival marks the beginning of a more visible community presence for the Foundation.

- *Tradition of 40 years of service to Buffalo's Polonia*
- *Vital force in preserving and disseminating Polish culture in America*
- *Supporter of Polish Language Instruction*
- *Sponsor of performances, lectures, exhibits and publications*

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