



## **Join our Centennial Celebration!**

This year marks two special anniversaries, the 100th anniversary of Polish Home Association (PHA) in Seattle and 100 years of Poland regaining its Independence. At times, histories of both ran in parallels and were often interconnected. For a century, PHA has been a cornerstone for Polish community in Seattle while maintaining traditions abroad and supporting events that defined the story of struggle for Poland's Independence. The Centennial Celebration is a time to mark this important milestone, celebrate Polish heritage and look forward to the next century of working with new generations. Special activities marking this anniversary at PHA have already begun and will continue until November 2018.

### **Ways to celebrate:**

Here are just a few ways you can join in and commemorate this historic milestone:

- May 6, Commemoration of 3rd of May Constitution @Polish Cultural Center
- July 7, Polish Festival Seattle @Seattle Center
- October- Seattle Polish Film Festival @ SIFF Cinema
- November 10, Gala Dinner @Polish Cultural Center

Ongoing projects include:

- Centennial anniversary book documenting history and achievements of Polish Community in Seattle and surrounding areas, to be published in June and available for the public to purchase
- Historical exhibits installations and artistic contests depicting the centenary, including photography, painting and timeline of events
- Documentary video containing interviews with the elders in our community, members of various immigration waves and activists from Polish organizations

### **Share your story**

If you have a story to share, we'd like to hear about your experience! Have you held an event at Polish Cultural Center in Seattle, participated in activities with our community, or have a family heritage story to tell? Do you have a historic photo to share? Send your stories or photos to [centennial@polishhome.org](mailto:centennial@polishhome.org)

### **Promote our centennial events**

Promote our centennial events and projects by sharing with your community and on social media by using #pha100 and #pl100. Follow our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/DomPolskiwSeattle/> and visit our website at [www.polishhome.org](http://www.polishhome.org)



## **Volunteer**

In order to stage the best possible celebration, we are looking for volunteers to assist with exhibits, oral history and video project, marketing, content editing, graphic design, and project coordination. For more information please contact [info@polishhome.org](mailto:info@polishhome.org)

Currently we are looking for help with designing, preparation and coordination of few very exciting and fun exhibitions and art contests as well as help with conducting oral history interviews and producing a documentary movie.

The themes of these projects are:

1. Exhibition of 100 years of PHA history in Seattle
2. Time line of Polish Home Association's history
3. Oral history and a documentary movie about PHA and Polish community
4. Photographic contest in memory of Polish Home Association
5. Painting contest titled: "100 years of our Polish Identity" (in Polish: "Sto lat naszej Polskości")

We are looking for enthusiastic, creative individuals with talents and skills in computer graphic design, video editing and transcribing and interest in art photography and painting.

The planned events will take place during Polish Festival in July at the Seattle Center and later in November at the Polish Cultural Center (aka Polish Home).

We ask any potential volunteers for these projects to contact the following people:

- For exhibition and historic timeline, photographic and painting contests, project lead Krzysztof Poraj- Kuczewski, by phone (206) 295-3533 or e-mail [Krystof PK@q.com](mailto:Krystof_PK@q.com)
- For oral history and video projects, project lead Jason Appelgate at 253-304-5792 or [jjappelgate@gmail.com](mailto:jjappelgate@gmail.com) and Ryszard Kott at 425-885-6695 or [rysiekkott@msn.com](mailto:rysiekkott@msn.com)

Thank you for your support!