

## 30 years since Schindler's List premiere. US ambassador to visit Kraków

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On 22 May 2024, President Aleksander Miszalski met with H.E. US Ambassador to Poland Marek Brzezinski. Mr. Ambassador was accompanied by the US Consul General in Kraków, Ms. Erin Nickerson.

Although it was a courtesy visit, in addition to congratulating the newly elected mayor, matters such as Polish-American relations, the active presence of American companies in Kraków were also raised. Ambassador Brzezinski appreciates the attitude of Poles, especially the residents of Kraków towards refugees from Ukraine.

The American diplomat has already invited the mayor to the celebration of the 50th anniversary of the establishment of the US Consulate General in Kraków, planned for July this year. He spoke with great appreciation about the consulate's involvement in many excellent projects, including in cooperation with the Kraków local government.

Ambassador Brzezinski's visited Kraków on the occasion of the 30th anniversary of the Polish premiere of *Schindler's List*. On the same day, both the Ambassador and President Miszalski held the opening ceremony of the 17th Krakow Film Music Festival at the Kraków Philharmonic.

The opening ceremony began with a tribute to Jan A. P. Kaczmarek, a prominent composer and long-time friend of the festival, who passed away just a day earlier. The orchestra paid a musical hommage to the composer, followed by a traditional moment of silence.

- During its 17 years of existence, the Krakow Film Music Festival has become one of the most important events of its kind in the world and an absolutely unique position in the city's cultural calendar, among other reasons, because Jan A. P. Kaczmarek has been particularly associated with the festival since its second edition, remaining a friend and good spirit of the event, - said Mayor Aleksander Miszalski during the inauguration of the festival.

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