Another painter living in Kameničky since 1942 is Karel Wagner. At his paintings blooming meadows, houses with paths lined with birch trees and cranes are

Asikla Dražskavá Blanci Ževata

Anička Dvořáková, Photo: J. Červenka

faithfully and impressively captured.

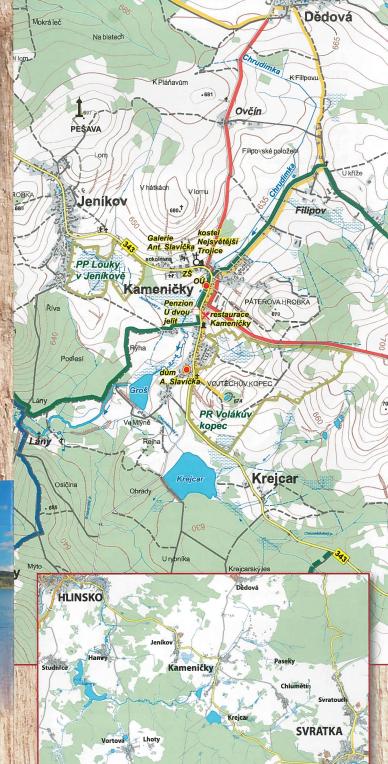
A native Kameničky painter is Jaroslav Sodomka, whose first teacher was Karel Wágner. He displays local landscape with humility and clarity close to the local people.

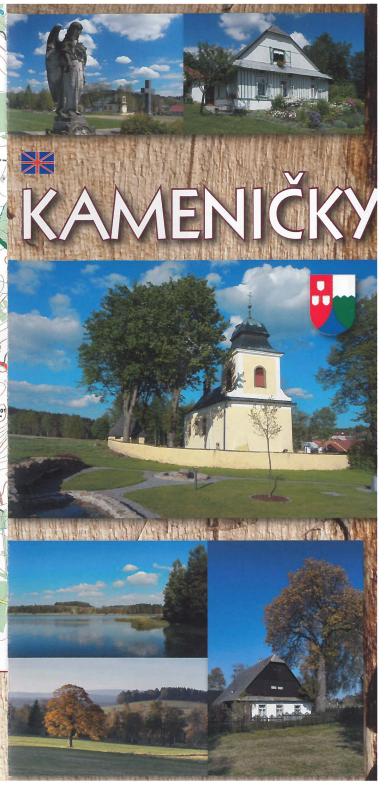
Kameničky has always been loyal to the fine art. In summer months there are exhibitions of well-known as well as newly emerging artists in the exhibition hall of the local authority building. Antonín Slavíček Gallery annual-

ly adds paintings borrowed from other galleries to the permanent exhibition of his paintings.



Gallery of Antonin Slavíček





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Kameničky,

A village in the region of white birches and red rowan trees, with the harsh climate, the undulating relief of prominent hills, birch-lined roads and ex-

Pod Volákovým kopcem

tensive pine forests alternating with meadows and fields. The glossy surface of the pond Krejcar shines under the nearby Volák hill, from where there is a magnificent view of Žákova Mountain and the Nine Rocks.

The history of Kameničky dates as far back as to the 13th century. At that time Rychmburk estate arose in a part of the forest in which Ottokar II. founded the

ci-ies Mýto, Polička and Svojanov. During the gradual expansion of Rychmburk estate, a large area between Hlinsko and Svratka was deforested. The confluence of springs forms the Kamenice river, having flown and wound through the



Church of the Trinity

region under different names until the 17th century when it was renamed after the ancient city of Chrudim as the Chrudimka river. The original name of the river then gave

the name to the village founded near villages Dědová and Filipov and this is where the name "Kameničky" comes from (first



it was just Kamenice and later the name was changed to Kameničky).

Around the year 1360 the owners of Rychmburk were the Lords of Pardubice,



the same family from which Prague Archbishop Arnost of Pardubice, or his nephew Smil the Flaška of Pardubice came. He had the first report written to state records, in which he described his entire

estate: Rychmburk, Hlinsko, Skuteč, Svratka and 60 villages including Kameničky.

In the 20th century the first paved road was constructed from Hlinsko and thus Kameničky was also connected to the railroad. At that time, the revered and respectable pastor Joseph P. Par-

> dus died. He was depicted in K. V. Rais's novel Západ (the Sunset). This novel, published in 1896, became a challenge to painter Antonín

Slavíček. He was a representative of the generation see-

king a realistic view of the hard village life. Slavíček established friendly relations with K. V. Rais and was visiting this "godforsaken region" from 1903. The

Karel Václav Rais



Zdražil's farmstead

highlands became a rich source of artistic inspiration and Slavíček presented them to the general public. Thanks to him, Kameničky left a permanent mark

in the Czech landscape painting. His artistic vision poetically described all the changes.

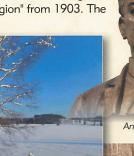
Slavíček was soon followed by his closest friends: Bohuslav Dvořák, Herbert Masaryk, Otakar Nejedlý, Angelo Zeyer. They all stayed at the rectory, and together with local

like-minded people created a club with artistic atmosphere.

One of the Slavíček's students was a talented local vounaster Josef Dvořák. His figurative and landscape painting is vivid and real. Furthermore, his work can be found in many galleries and private collections. Dvorak's daughter, Annie Dvořákova - an academic painter, was primarily a figuralist with special understanding of children's portrait. Her still lives and flowers express



beauty in themselves. She died on 10 May 2013 and she donated eleven of her paintings to the village.



Antonín Slavíček