

SACRUM IN HOSPITAL COMPLEXES – THE CASE OF STUMMER'S HOSPITAL IN TOPOL'ČANY

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SACRUM IN HOSPITAL SETTING

Sacred spaces in hospital setting give patients and families spiritual support, help them to connect with faith resources. They serve for meditation, for stress relief.

Sacred spaces in hospital setting include chapels, meditation places, all faith chapels, gardens, healing gardens, mortuaries, bereavement rooms.







THE CASE OF STUMMER`S HOSPITAL IN TOPOL'ČANY

The Stummer`s hospital in Topolčany was established by baron August Stummer (*1827 – † 1909) in 1885.

The original campus from the year 1885 on the area of 1700 square meters was created by four buildings forming a rectangular courtyard with a fountain in the middle, surrounded by circular communication connecting the buildings. The area outside the courtyard was maintained as park, for relax and healing purposes.

The hospital campus is listed on the List of Cultural Monuments of Slovakia and consists of: hospital main building, chapel, fence wall, service building, infection pavilion and park.

Analysis of the old hospital area by K. Janošková, O. Lemak, supervisor K. Kristianova. Source: Archive of CeKA FA

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The chapel on historical photograph from the 30s of the 20th century. Source: Archive of the Monuments Board of the Slovak Republic



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The chapel today. Source: Archive of the Monuments Board of the Slovak Republic

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Source: Photograph by Matej Kováč



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The concept of sacred trees – the evergreen tree allée leading from the main entrance to the chapel. Source: Photo by Katarina Kristianova

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The fountain as in the middle tree allée leading from the main entrance to the chapel – water as life symbol, symbol of relationship with god, symbol of renewal, purification. Source: Archive of the Monuments Board of the Slovak Republic

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Source: Photograph by Matej Kováč

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The tree of life on the door to the chapel. Source: Photo by Katarina Kristianova

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DISCUSSION THE WAYS TO PRESERVE THE SACRUM IN THE REDEVELOPMENT, REVITALIZATION , AND NEW USE OF THE HOSPITAL AREA

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