

Activities of The Polish Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies (PTBnWO) in 2023

1) General Assembly of PTBnWO

The General Assembly of PTBnWO took place on the 5th of October 2023. All reporting procedures have been completed and accepted by members of Society.

2) Competition for the best PhD Thesis concerning Eighteen Century

The prize committee decided to award a thesis by Rafał Waszczuk “*Italian-born, sly and cunning*”? *The Polish career of Gaetano Ghigiotti, 1760–1796* (“*Włoch rodem, chytry i przebiegły*”? *Polska kariera Gaetana Ghigiottiego, 1760–1796*).

An honorable mention was given to Szymon Dąbrowski who wrote a thesis entitled *The image of Elżbieta Sapieha, née Branicka in Polish literature of the 18th and 19th centuries. Public and private aspects of life (Wizerunek Elżbiety z Branickich Sapieżyny w piśmiennictwie polskim XVIII i XIX wieku. Publiczne i prywatne odśłony życia)*.

3) Conferences held under the patronage of the PTBnWO

- a) “Józef Wybicki: writer – politician – citizen” (22nd–25th May 2023 in Szymbark),
- b) Editorial Workshops “Acts of sejmiki (the regional assemblies) of the former Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth” (8th–10th May 2023 in Obrzycko)
- c) “Stanisław Konarski SchP. Pedagogue – Writer – Politician” (4th–5th October 2023 in Warsaw).

4) On-line seminars

The series of meetings entitled “From the workshops of Enlightenment researchers” was continued. Those seminars are organized since 2020 in cooperation with the Enlightenment Literature Department of the Institute of Literary Research of the Polish Academy of Sciences.

5) Publications

The 25th issue of the Society’s “Bulletin” has been published, containing a list of works conducted by the Society’s members and a list of their publications.