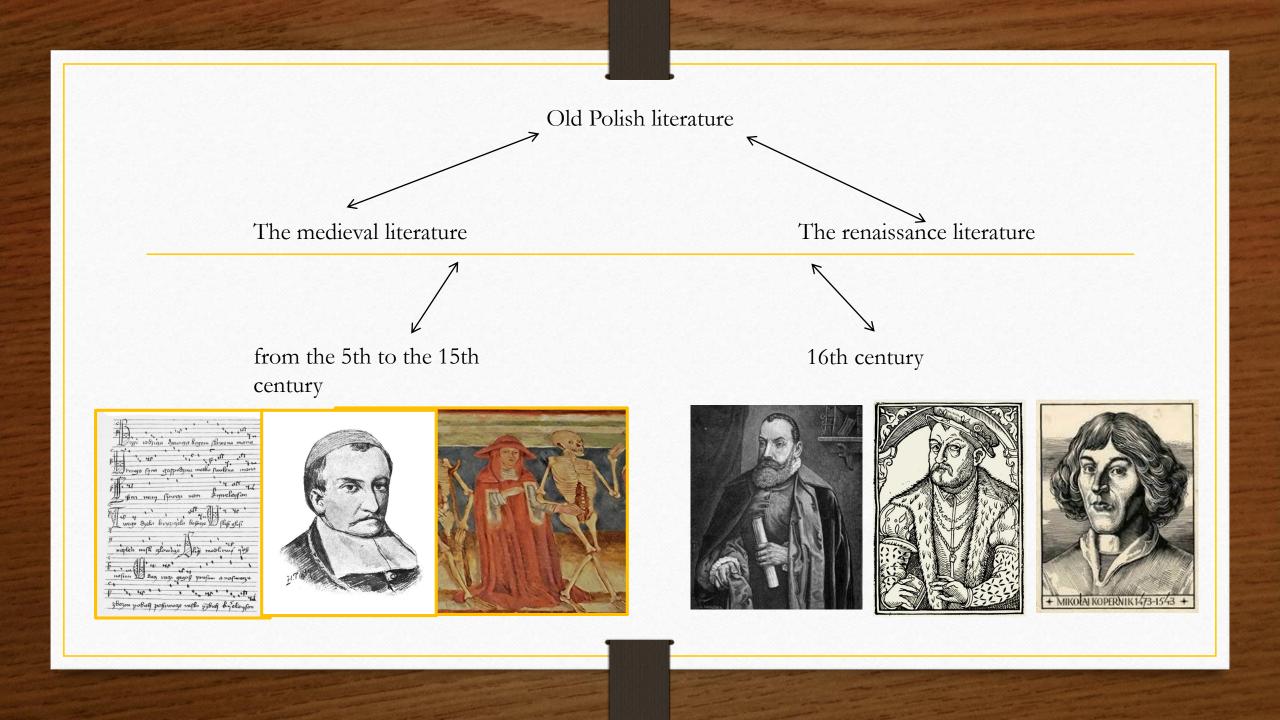
The Medieval literature and The Renaissance literature

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Medieval period

In the history of Europe, the Middle Ages lasted approximately from the 5th to the late 15th centuries. The Middle Ages are an era in which God was the main value. Everyone's goal was to pursue him. But people must have had examples on which to base their actions. These ideal attitudes are ruler, knight, and ascetic.

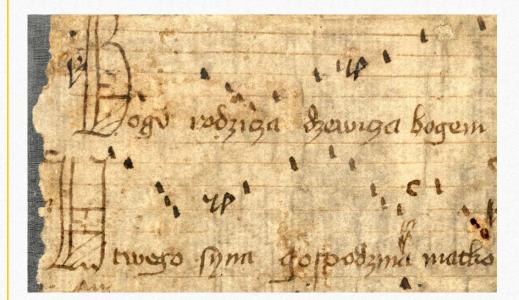
"Daj, ać ja pobruszę, a ty poczywaj"

 The Book of Henryków (Polish: Księga henrykowska, Latin: Liber fundationis claustri Sancte Marie Virginis in Heinrichau), contains the earliest known sentence written in the Polish language: Day, ut ia pobrusa, a ti poziwai (pronounced originally as: Daj, uć ja pobrusza, a ti pocziwaj, modern Polish: Daj, niech ja pomielę, a ty odpoczywaj or Pozwól, że ja będę mielił, a ty odpocznij, English: Let me grind, while you take a rest), written around 1270.

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Bogurodzica - in English known as the Mother of God, is a medieval Roman Catholic hymn composed sometime between the 10th and 13th centuries in Poland. It is believed to be the oldest religious hymn or patriotic anthem in the Polish language, which was traditionally sung in Old Polish with the Greek phrase Kyrie eleison – "Lord, have mercy".

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The first chronicler of the history of Poland Gallus Anonymus.

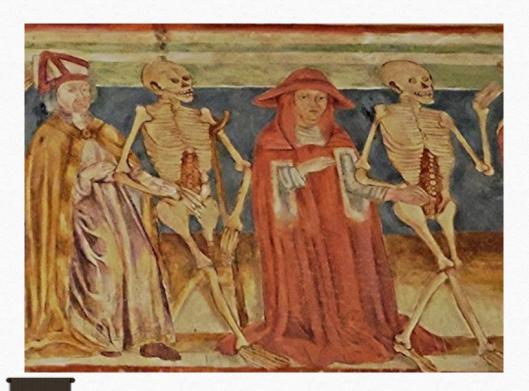


Gallus is generally regarded as the first historian to have described the history of Poland. His Chronicles are an obligatory text for university courses in Polish history. Very little is known of the author himself and it is widely believed that he was a foreigner.

Master Polikarp's Dialog with Death is a late medieval dialog in verse, written probably in the early 15th century. Master Polikarp's Dialog with Death is now regarded as one of the most important examples of medieval poetry in the Polish language.

Its author is unknown, but after discovering the complete, printed version from 1542, some historians speculate that Mikołaj Rej rewrote the original text for print.





Renaissance period

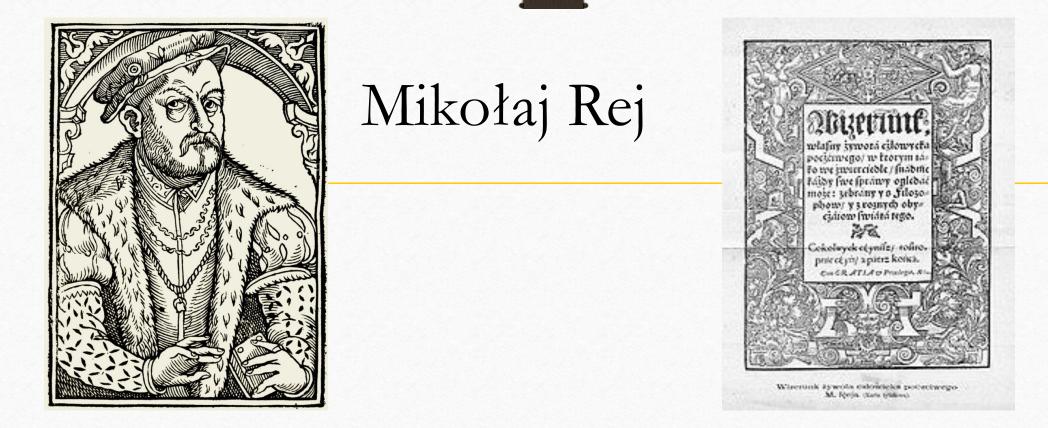
• Renaissance - an epoch in the history of European culture, including primarily the 16th century, often referred to as the "rebirth of arts and sciences", and a historiosophic concept relating to the history of Italian culture from Dante to 1520.

Jan Kochanowski and Łukasz Górnicki

• Jan Kochanowski and Łukasz Górnicki were considered the greatest artists. The latter was valued primarily for the elegance and refinement of style associated with Italian humanism, as well as for his conscious attitude to the emerging Polish literary language.





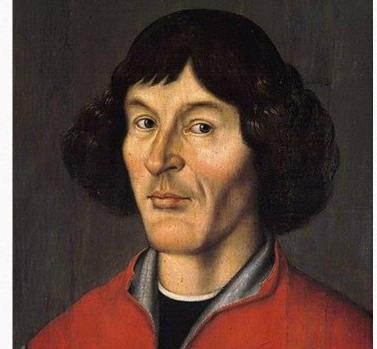


Mikołaj Rej was a Polish poet and prose writer of the emerging Renaissance in Poland as it succeeded the Middle Ages, as well as a politician and musician. He was the first Polish author to write exclusively in the Polish language.

Mikołaj Kopernik - De revolutionibus orbium coelestium

Copernicus was not only an astronomer, but a true "Renaissance man" as he also acted as a mathematician, doctor, lawyer, economist, and tried his hand at translating literature.





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