

## IN MEMORIAM

DUNJA RIHTMAN-AUGUSTIN Ph.D. (6th September 1926 - 4th November 2002)

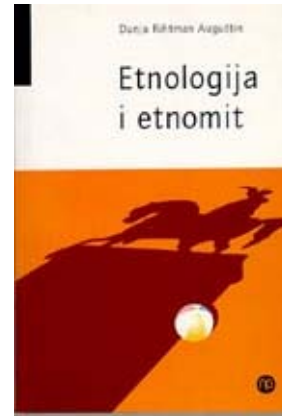


Dr Dunja Rihtman-Augustin passed away on 4th November 2002 in Zagreb. She was one of the most prominent Croatian ethnologists and cultural anthropologists, long term director of the Institute of Ethnology and Folklore Research from Zagreb, president of the Croatian Ethnological Society, editor of numerous professional and scholarly journals and publications, author of around ten books, laureate of many eminent Croatian and international awards, who was actively present in the media with her insightful commentaries of everyday life. With her entire scholarly activity as well as with teaching at the post-graduate university studies in Croatia and abroad, she had had a significant influence on the contemporary Croatian and European ethnology and cultural anthropology.

She was a member of the International Advisory Board of our Electronic Journal EthnoAntropo Zoom since it was founded in 2000. As every true scientist and human being, Dunja Rihtman-Augustin Ph.D. has immediately accepted the cooperation, as one can see from the relatively high number of messages sent through e-mail that glow with sincerity, simplicity, as well as preparedness to help - features that are characteristic of authentic personalities. Lamenting over Dunja Rihtman-Augustin, a great scientist and great person, we show our respect through the following articles:

1. Information from the promotion of the latest book of Dunja Rihtman-Augustin Ph.D. - "Ethnology and ethnomyth", published in newspaper Vjesti (Zagreb), Frida, 10<sup>th</sup> of April 2002, pg. 6
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**Information on the promotion of the latest book by Dunja Rihtman-Augustin "Ethnology and Ethnomyth", published in newspaper Vjesti (Zagreb), Friday 10<sup>th</sup> of April, 2002, page 6**



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Book Review "Ethnology and Ethnomyth" by Dunja Rihtman-Augustin  
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What is the relation between the world of folklore and the world of politics, the folk culture and the power, is the ethno-anthropologist, when being at the local field of research a witness or only an observer, what is pornography of politics - these are some of the provocative questions answered by the Croatian ethnologist Dunja Rihtman-Augustin Ph.D., who has received the Herder price, in her latest book "Ethnology and Ethnomyth".

Her fifth ethnological study was solemnly represented on Thursday in the Palace of Matica Hrvatska. "The book of Dunja Rihtman-Augustin is a peaceful and deep ethnological study and according to my opinion it is her best book ever", said Ivan Lozica, teathrologist, manager of the Institute of ethnology and folkloristic studies.

In her study Dunja Rihtman-Augustin concentrates upon two questions. First - how did Croatian ethnology developed its notions on social and political events of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, and how much it assisted the construction of the national myth.

The first part of the book speaks about the contributions of "some of our ethnological predecessors and relatives", among which the ones that have founded the influential ethnological approaches even before establishing ethnology as science. In the second part the author speaks about the relation between ethnology and politics and in the third part she answers the questions of how did our ethnology develop during the period of real-socialism. The last part of the study is dealing with the differences between domestic and foreign ethnological studies in our country.

"I feel like I am writing the same article, the same book all my life. In this book I wanted to show that we, as ethnologists, through our science have participated in the construction of our myth", said at the end of the promotion the author of "Ethnology and ethnomyth"

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