

## Review

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Member of the Scientific Jury in PhD. Procedure,  
2.1 Philology (Bulgarian literature),  
of Greta Rzsukanova's dissertation  
"Haralan Angelov - Poetics and Civil Ideas"  
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Presentation of the scientific work. The first impression creates a disproportion between the scientific object (the work of a little-known poet) and the huge text of the dissertation (over 400 pp.). The reader's second reaction comes from the important issues - the relationship to the current literary canon, the relationship to modernist contexts, etc. The dissertation also contains 11 unpublished texts by H. Angelov.

Contributing moments in work. It consists of an introduction, five chapters, a conclusion and a bibliography with over 200 titles. Especially important are the first and second chapters - they deal with "poetics", as the title indicates. Observations on the problematic connections with the actual literary context in the 1860s-70s and at the turn of the century are valuable. This is done by analysing the main images and motifs dominant in the periods mentioned.

The comparative accents between H. Angelov and the revolutionary poetry of the 70s are valuable, as well as the analysis of the poetic



anticipation - how this author anticipates with his works the feeling of modernity after 1878. The comparisons between him and Yavorov, Debelyanov, Liliev and Smirnenski are contributing.

Greta Razsukanova has failed to comment on the profound difference between the above-mentioned poetics of these authors - the decadent role of the poet, high personalism and a personal psychological system of motives for the images of loneliness, alienation, pathlessness, etc. The reason for H. Angelov's non-canonical place is his marginality - he is outside the system of our poetic literary history. That is why he remains a lonely forerunner of modernism and a misunderstood author.

I think that the work is contributory, it exhausts the mentioned range of problems. I give my positive vote for awarding the scientific degree "Doctor" to Greta Razsukanova.

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