

## INTRODUCTION

This book is dedicated to the memory of Andriy Rudnytskyi – full member of the Ukrainian Academy of Architecture, Honoured Worker of the National Education of Ukraine, full member of Shevchenko Scientific Society, Sc. Doctor of Architecture, Professor, Honoured Professor of Lviv Polytechnic National University, architect, scholar and pedagogue. He worked at Lviv Polytechnic National University starting from 1951, when he graduated with the honours degree in Architecture, until his death in 2009. Below are the main stages of his professional career: 1951 – started PhD studies; 1954 – started his teaching career; 1955 – received a degree of PhD in Architecture; 1957 – received the academic rank of the associate professor; 1959 – became a member of the Union of Architects of the USSR; 1963-64 – worked as a dean of the Engineering and Construction Faculty; 1967 – was elected as a head of the Department of Architecture; 1971-1982 – headed the new Department of Urban Planning after restoration of the Faculty of Architecture; 1977-91 – dean of the Faculty of Architecture; 1983-92 – Chairman of the Board of Lviv Branch of the Union of Architects of Ukraine; 1989 – defended the doctoral thesis; 1991 – was awarded the academic rank of the professor; 1992-2002 – organized and headed the first in the Western Ukraine new specialized Department of Reconstruction and Restoration of Architectural Complexes; 1993 – was elected as a head of the representative office of the St. Sophia Association of Ukrainian Catholics of the USA; 1995-2005 – restored and headed a specialized council for defence of theses in architecture; 2002 – was elected as a full member of Shevchenko Scientific Society, head of the architectural section of Shevchenko Scientific Society, professor of the Department of Urban Planning; 2008 – Honoured Professor of Lviv Polytechnic National University.

Major completed architectural projects: study complex #1 of Lviv Polytechnic National University with a hall for 100 people (co-authored by R. Lypka), which received an award at the All-Ukrainian Contest in 1965; Museum and Memorial Complex in the native land of the Patriarch Josyf Slipyi in Ternopil region (co-authors: M. Bezv, Yu. Dubyk, O. Zalishchuk), which received an award at the All-Ukrainian Contest in 1998, and a number of other creative projects.

Andrii Rudnytskyi authored over 200 printed scientific works, including such publications as *Architectural Composition in Urban Development* (1974), *Transport in Urban Planning* (1976), *Management of Urban Space* (1985), *Evolution of Urban Development in the Territory of Western Ukraine* (published after his death in 2018 on the basis of the author's manuscript of 1971).

In December 2018, Lviv Polytechnic University hosted the International Academic Conference “Urban Architectural Space: Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow” devoted to the 90th anniversary of the professor Andriy Rudnytskyi”, and his tenth death anniversary falls on August 2019. The death anniversary and the conference gave everyone, who knew Andriy Rudnytskyi, worked with him or studied under him, a possibility to recall his extraordinary personality, and the time that passed allowed to take a fresh look at past events and to reinterpret the role he played in the development of Lviv architectural school.

Each section of this book covers a certain side of the academic, pedagogic, creative activity of the professor Andriy Rudnytskyi through the prism of personal impressions and feelings. Such multi-vector nature of the analysis intensifies the objectiveness of the characteristics of the image, on the one hand, and on the other hand increases the informative value of the publication.

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