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A HISTORICAL EXAMPLE OF SELF-CONSISTENCY – KSENIJA ATANASIJEVIĆ

Abstract: The subject of the paper is a historical example of Ksenija Atanasijević's courageous self-consistency, important in her time, but also in the contemporary moment when issues of ethics, personal dignity and self-consistency in public discourse are increasingly pushed to the margins. The aim of the paper belongs to the broader domain of preventing the oblivion of the work of prominent women, which in contemporary times begins primarily with women interested and engaged in discovering female predecessors, those on whose shoulders we stand firmly today. These efforts are "inhabiting women in history", i.e. discovering them for today's audience, and adequately valorizing their historical contributions. Thematically, the paper relies on the basic philosophical, anthropological, and ontological idea "that all human beings are equal and that the human person is inviolable, so that the person of every human being must be respected". Her feminism, anti-fascism and her struggle against anti-Semitism, as well as her significant social pacifist engagement came from that source. The text uses the methodology of reception as an active, dialogical inter-textual communication with her work. We conclude, following her thoughts, that today too, the priority task is to make the existence of a human being more meaningful, better, more valuable, to contribute to the humanization of individual and social life. Even today, our imperative is to strive to achieve more universal, "better and nobler relationship between people of both sexes that will exclude any physical and moral abuse of the other", the revolution of good, the abolition of violent differences and inequalities among human beings. Keywords: Ksenija Atanasijević, reception, history of courage, anti-fascism, pacifism, feminism, "settlement of women in history", revolution of good, abolition of inequality among people.

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