



„Heroes of our time“

Jerzy Owsiak



- Jerzy (Jurek) Owsiak is Polish journalist, showman, philanthropist and charity and social activist. He is the founder and president of the foundation The Great Orchestra of Christmas Charity (Wielka Orkiestra Świątecznej Pomocy).



- Jurek Owsiak was born in 1953 in Gdańsk. Eight years later he moved to Warsaw where he studied. In the 70`s travelled to Germany and The Netherlands where he worked. In the 80`s and 90`s he was organizing rock events. In 1994 he started hosting few TV programmes.

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In 1995 he organized first Pol`and`Rock Festival that is happening every year. Jerzy Owsiak is cooperating with polish radio stations where he is hosting few programs. In 2007 he created his own TV channel

A large red heart shape with a white outline, containing white text. The text is arranged in three lines: 'wielka orkiestra' on the top line, 'świątecznej' on the middle line, and 'pomocy' on the bottom line. The font is a bold, sans-serif typeface.

wielka orkiestra świątecznej pomocy

Jerzy Owsiak is mostly famous for his charity organization The Great Orchestra of Christmas Charity [pol. Wielka Orkiestra Świątecznej Pomocy (WOŚP)]. He founded the foundation in 1993 and it is collecting money for medical equipment for seriously ill children.



Every year after Christmas The Great Orchestra of Christmas Charity organizing big charity event known as Grand Finale. During it volunteers are raising money. In 2021 The Great Orchestra of Christmas Charity raised almost 211 000 000 PLN (about 57 000 000 USD). Thanks to this charity event, a lot of medical equipment was bought.

Jerzy Owsiak and his foundation were nominated for Nobel Peace Prize few times.

A close-up photograph of a hand holding a red heart-shaped sign. The sign has white text in Polish: "wielka orkiestra świątecznej pomocy". The background is blurred, showing a person wearing a colorful, patterned scarf.

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świątecznej
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Jerzy Owsiak is also known as an organizer of big music event Pol`and`Rock festival. To the event comes many people from Europe to listen rock music

In 2006 Jerzy Owsiak received an award „European of the Year 2006". He received also many other awards and badges i.a. Order of the Smile.





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