Summary

ANITA WINCENCJUSZ-PATYNA / Butenko at Bunkier Sztuki

The report deals with an official opening of Mały Instytut Polskiej Ilustracji [The Little Institute of Polish Illustration] invented and established by Anna Bargiel, curator and educator at Bunkier Sztuki Gallery of Contemporary Art, Jakub Woynarowski – who runs Studio of Narrative Drawing at the Cracow Academy of Fine Arts, author of independent curator projects, and Mateusz Okoński, artist and author of exhibition designs, including the inaugurating exhibition. This exposition was dedicated to Bohdan Butenko, one of the masters of Polish book illustration, author of comic books, poster and postcard designer, theatre and television scenographer. The exhibition “A Book Is Made Like A Sweater” was opened on 24th November 2013 and was entirely devoted to the idea of book architecture ascribed as a kind of phenomenon to Butenko. Five video books, a library with almost 200 volumes to be read and looked through in the gallery temporary reading room, a few original designs to a couple of books designed by Butenko introduced quite an original approach to his work. The Gallery proposed also a panel discussion with Butenko which gave a splendid chance for the audience to learn more about the process of creation graphic design.

Since 2011 Bunkier Sztuki has been issuing a series of little artistic books with original texts and illustrations which the author also describes shortly.