

# ***Bogdan Mielnik: the person and the scientist***



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Anatol Odziejewicz should have been delivered this introduction to Bogdan Mielnik's memorial session!



Bogdan Mielnik and Anatol Odziejewicz

Bogdan Mielnik was born on May 6th, 1936 in Warsaw

- ⑥ His father was Karol Mielnik
- ⑥ His mother was Boleslawa Manwelow





Quoting Mielnik, during the war “I spent my time at home, and in the garden. In the summers, my only sport was climbing trees. I owe my survival, in a Nazi-governed Poland, to the immense efforts of these three women” (his mother Boleslawa, his Grandaunt Romana and their helper Anna)



At his house in Brwinów

According to Mielnik, Plebański said him “Your work on this will be your doctoral thesis. You will become a world specialist in special functions.”



Plebański, Mielnik and Anna Plebańska at Teotihuacán



## Mielnik's PhD graduated students

- ⑥ Anatol Odziejewicz (1975)
- ⑥ Kszysztof Rozga (1976)
- ⑥ Stefan Wojciechowski (1977)
- ⑥ Jacek Waniewski (1983)
- ⑥ David Fernández (1988)
- ⑥ Francisco Delgado (1999)
- ⑥ Sara Cruz (2005)
- ⑥ Alejandra Ramírez (2008)





Mielnik concludes with these beautiful words: “Every decision in our lives opens up a road, but closes others. What can I say? Do I regret choosing this way, and thus closing other (unknown) roads by coming to Mexico in 1962, and then in 1981? Absolutely not! These were my ways. Thank you.”



At the bell tower of the Temple of San Francisco Acatepec



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- ⑥ I just can say thank you Bogdan
- ⑥ Thank all of you



With me the day I got my PhD