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**AQUILA POLONICA PUBLISHING
DEBUTS
AT AWARDS CEREMONY
WITH POLAND'S FIRST LADY**

Aquila Polonica, a new publishing company, was introduced April 28, 2007 in Los Angeles, California, during a ceremony at which **Poland's First Lady Maria Kaczyńska** awarded medals of honor to leaders of the Polish-American community in Southern California and Arizona, and to Polish veterans of World War II.

Aquila Polonica, recently formed by Terry Tegnazian of the USA and Stefan Mucha of the UK, is **dedicated to publishing, in English, the Polish experience of World War II**, with firsthand accounts, memoirs, poetry, literature, photographs, artworks and historical studies.

In her presentation, Ms. Tegnazian explained that she herself is not Polish. Her interest in this topic stems from research she was doing for a novel, "As I read memoirs of key Polish resistance leaders and other Poles caught up in World War II, I realized that *this is the greatest story never told.*"

She continued, "This story, of Poland in World War II, is little known in the West.... Truly, this is a story of real life heroes. It is a heroism that can inspire all human beings, no matter who they are or where they come from."

Mr. Mucha's interest is a more personal one -- his father's family, like millions of other Poles during World War II, suffered at the hands of the Nazis. Although Mr. Mucha was not able to be present at this ceremony, he said, "More than sixty years has passed since World War II ended and still the story of Poland's role in the Allied fight against Nazism and the Polish anti-communist resistance remains for most '*the greatest story never told.*' So I am delighted that through **Aquila Polonica** we have an opportunity to bring this story to the world."

Aquila Polonica's ambitious publishing program involves a threefold strategy of (1) translating books from Polish to English that have never been translated before; (2) reprinting books that originally appeared in English but have been out of print for many years; and (3) publishing works that have never before been published. In addition to books, its catalogue will include DVDs, CDs, posters and other types of material on this topic.

By taking advantage of new technologies, **Aquila Polonica** can ensure that the works in its forthcoming catalogue will never be out of print, and will be available throughout the world.

Aquila Polonica's first books are due out later this year. Its website is at <http://www.AquilaPolonica.com> .

Ms. Tegnazian is a graduate of Brown University and the Yale Law School, and practiced law in Los Angeles for twelve years before leaving to pursue other business and creative endeavors. Mr. Mucha was trained in marketing communications and design for print, and owns his own marketing and website design firm in the UK. **Aquila Polonica** is pleased to have developed a close working relationship with the **Polish Consulate in Los Angeles** and other institutions.