

## Bronislava Fabrikant



This is my mother Bronislava Fabrikant, nee Bluvstein. This photo was taken in Odessa in December 1940. After finishing the Medical College in Odessa, my mother worked as a cardiologist in two recreation centers in Odessa: Chkalov and one of the NKVD named after Dzerzhinsky. There we got a room for the whole summer at the seashore and we lived by the sea. I remember my mother always complaining that she was made to provide political information for nurses and attendants in the centers. She learned the history of the All-Union Communist Party of the Bolsheviks in the evening, read newspapers and made notes. Since my mother had a very serious attitude toward her work, she had very little free time left. My mother loved to have guests. She sang well and had a pleasant voice. She knew all arias from 'Eugene Onegin'. My parents had

friends - representatives of the medical professorship of various nationalities. During the Great Patriotic War my mother was in evacuation in the town of Dzhahal-Abad, where she worked in a hospital.