

Mira Mlotok



I, Mira Marakovna Mlotok, as a student of the Gliyer Musical College. The photo was made in Kiev in 1938.

I am Mira Markovna Mlotok. I was born in 1920, on December 5, in the town of Khorol.

I had to learn a lot of things at the college: solfeggio, piano, history of Russian music, harmony, history of Ukrainian music, history of west-European music, dances, and actor skills. It was very interesting to study. All outstanding musicians of Kiev taught in the conservatory and in my college. Studies in the college gave us the right to enter conservatory.

I had a lot of admirers. But I never treated them seriously because they all wanted to marry me.

And I did not need that. I wanted to study. I had several marriage propositions. One man even went to Lubny to ask my mother for my hand. It was conductor, Yakov Fridman, a Jew. He worked in Nikolayev. But my mother said, "No way! You are 10 years older than her! Why do you need such a young girl?" So, that was my first marriage proposal.