

A lecture on the work of the first Kazakh professional sculptor, Khakimzhan Nauryzbayev, was held for Silver University students

On March 17, 2026, at 11:00 a.m., a lecture on the topic «The Place of the Work of the First Kazakh Professional Sculptor, Khakimzhan Nauryzbayev, in the Sculpture of 20th-Century Kazakhstan» was given to Silver University students in the cinema hall of the Temirbek Zhurgenov Kazakh National Academy of Arts. Faculty and students of the Sculpture program, Department of Fine Arts, also participated in the lecture. The lecture was delivered by PhD Doctor and Associate Professor of the Republic of Kazakhstan, E. B. Kairanov.

Renowned professional sculptor, People's Artist of the Kazakh SSR, Honored Artist of the Kazakh SSR, and laureate of the State Prize named after Sh. Ualikhanov, laureate of the Tarlan Prize, holder of the Parasat Order, and professor of the Higher Attestation Commission of the Republic of Kazakhstan, Kh. I. Nauryzbayev is a People's Artist who played a major role in the development of Kazakh sculpture in the 20th century. Thanks to his natural talent and hard work, like the first Kazakh artist, Abilkhan Kasteyev, he is a figure who tirelessly worked for the benefit of his native country's culture until the end of his creative life. As the founder of national professional sculpture, more than 300 of his sculptural works have become a classic legacy. He is one of the founders of national sculpture in secondary and higher education institutions, and for many years worked as a professor at the T. Zhurgenov Kazakh National Academy of Arts. Many of his students are renowned sculptors who created easel and monumental sculptures of the late 20th and early 21st centuries in Kazakhstan.

Following the lecture, Silver University's open audience visited the Sculpture workshops at the T. Zhurgenov Kazakh National Academy of Arts and learned about the student learning process. During the tour, they had an interview with Yesken Sergebayev, Honored Worker of Kazakhstan, one of the founders of the Painting, Sculpture, and Design faculty, professor of the Fine Arts Department, and renowned sculptor. As a student of Kh. Nauryzbayev, he also shared his fascinating memories of the renowned sculptor. At the same time, other students, including renowned contemporary sculptors, M. S. Zhunisbaev, holder of the Order of Kurmet and professor of the Fine Arts Department, and B. D. Kusainov, holder of the Order of Parasat and associate professor of the Fine Arts Department, also shared their warm memories of the sculptor's teaching qualities.









