

Sebastian Barbu-Bucur – A Life in the service of the Romanian Psaltic Music

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Abstract: *Sebastian Barbu-Bucur was a diligent researcher of the Romanian psaltic music, an accomplished composer, a conductor-Protopsaltis, and a gifted professor, as well; he left the posterity a valuable work, by unceasingly promoting the Romanian national spirit through the orthodox sacred chants. I had the honor to be among those whom the professor and Byzantinologist revealed the mysteries of the psaltic music, as I had been his student at the Faculty of Theology, Sacred Music section, in Constanta. The melodic beauty and the calmness of the rhythm inspirits one to pray, meditate and have a spiritual experience when listening to the chant. The maestro passed away a couple of days after celebrating his 85th anniversary and is buried in the Cemetery of Cheia Monastery, the final resting place of the deceased, where he was escorted on the 3rd of April, 2015.*

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