

Pavlo Hlazovyi was a classic and legend of Ukrainian humor, the successor of Ostap Vyshnia, and most beloved Ukrainian "laughter therapist," who left behind "a clear sparkling laugh."

*And I am happy that I write
To make the people's spirits light.
The spark of laughter in my eyes,
In my heart a long time lies.*

Hlazovyi wrote five to seven jokes a day. He authors 13 books of satire and humor, and eight books for children. His works bring people joy and faith in a better fate, while also reflecting the cheerful disposition of the Ukrainian people.

When Hlazovyi was a child, he dreamed of becoming a teacher of the Ukrainian language; he considered books to be the greatest treasure; Hlazovyi was interesting to talk to, and he was also a good cook.

Hlazovyi went through a lot of trials: he survived the Holodomor (artificial famine) and fought in the Second World War; despite his great popularity, the poet was viewed unfavorably by the Soviet regime.

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*If I could not together bring
the funny and the jolly,
My soul would break apart under
the weight of fearful folly...*

The satirist's gentle humor was disseminated in books and magazines, during evenings in cultural centers, clubs, and at government concerts; Hlazovyi's humor pieces were included in the repertoires of many folk artists.

Hlazovyi's work is witty and apt, with his most favorite genre being a laconic miniature. The titles of his books speak for themselves: "Laugh, my Friends, in Good Health," "Have Fun," "A Jolly Talk," "May You Have Fun," "Selected Jokes," "Laughter Words" and so on.

The lines sound like those from the author's own last will and testament:

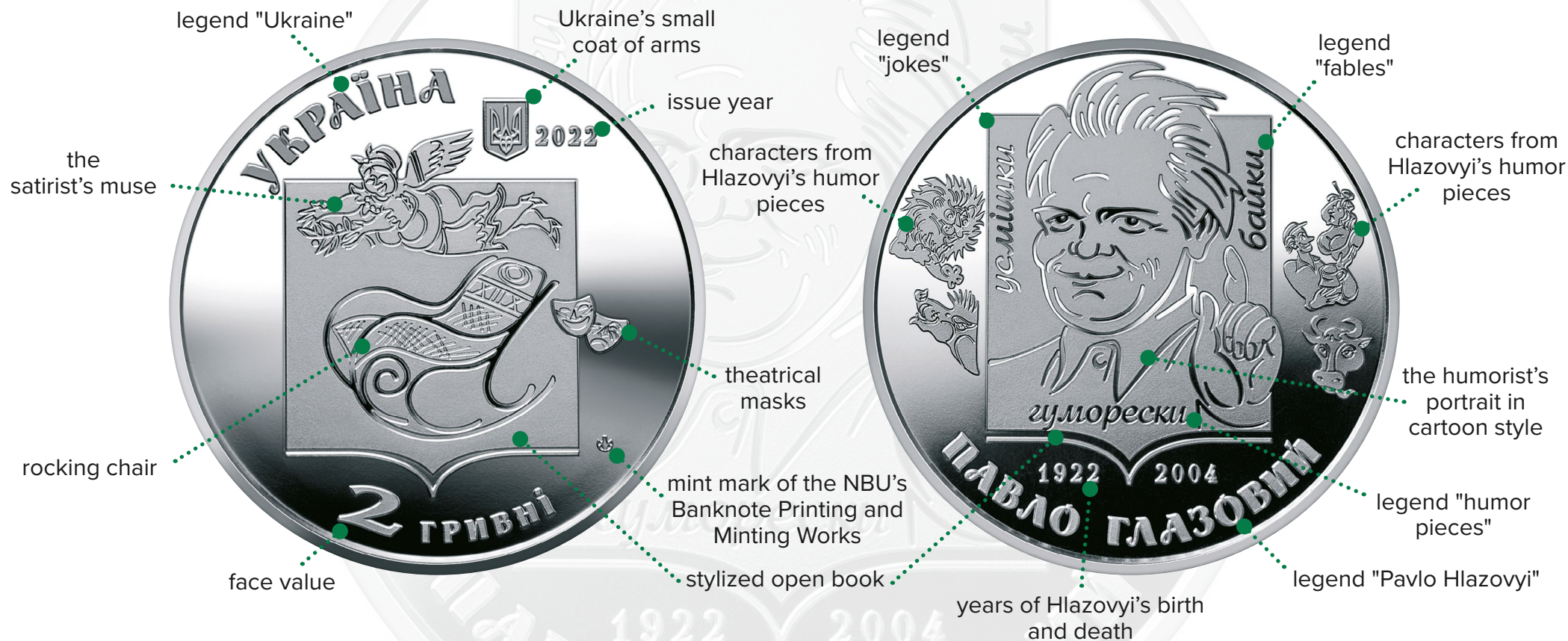
*Be you happy and be hale,
Live in joy and live in love.
Healthy laughter is your guard,
From troubles and the untoward.*

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