

# EMBASSY FIVE

Five questions for the Czech Embassy's new colleague.



## MAY EDITION featuring Martina Letfusová

*Martina Letfusová is the new receptionist at the Embassy of the Czech Republic in Washington, DC.*

**1.) Martina, tell us about your Czech roots. Where do you come from, and what led you to the United States?**

I'm from the charming Moravian town called Kroměříž, which is worth a detour if you happen to be in this part of the country. I always wanted to try life abroad, so after completing college and receiving my degree, I decided to join an international exchange program. I moved to New Jersey where I spent three wonderful years with my "Host Family" who became part of my life. From New Jersey, my journey continued to Maryland where I currently live.

**What brought you to the Embassy, and how has your experience been so far?**

I'm proud to be Czech and I always imagined a career where I can find a role that enables me to bring together my Czech heritage and working experience in America. I think the Embassy is the right place. My experience has been great thus far and all the staff members have been friendly and very helpful.



*Kroměříž, Czech Republic*

**Is there anything that surprised you in your new position?**

One pleasant surprise is how many engaging events the embassy hosts throughout the year. Community events are a great way to bring everyone together.



*Martina stands outside the Embassy of the Czech Republic, in Washington, DC.*



*Martina is a huge hockey fan. While living in New Jersey, she saw Czech ice hockey legend Jaromír Jágr score a goal for the New Jersey Devils.*





*In her spare time, Martina loves to travel. Here, she is pictured in Kenya.*

**Having spent more than seven years in the United States, how do you enjoy working in a team full of Czech colleagues now?**

It's been great! To be able to communicate in Czech on a daily basis reminds me of my friends and family in the Czech Republic.

**Have thought about your future in the US or do you plan to return to Czechia?**

I feel I will stay in the US for now. Having lived in America for seven years and meeting my husband, I feel my life is here. I hope with hard work, one day I can be in a position where my work will involve travels to Czechia. I will see what the future holds for me.