

## TWO DEMONS: *ORKO* AND *MACIĆ*

### SUMMARY

The article is a review of the records and data about *Orko* and *Macić*, two attractive imaginary beings of Croatian folklore. *Orko* (the monster) and *Macić* (the villain) both belong to the ancient layer of oral tradition. They were very popular up to recently in oral narration, but nowadays the general public is not familiar with them. It may be that their non-Slavic origin kept them away from the body of the Croatian written literature. The paper has been inspired by the exhaustive and detailed footnotes on those mythical beings in the works of M. Bošković-Stulli. A selection of texts has been added (from manuscript collections and from printed books, dictionaries and magazines) in order to illustrate the character of the two demons. The bibliography at the end of the paper contains the indicators to help in locating them in the vast field of dispersed sources.

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