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Alberta Ukrainian Self-Reliance League (AUSRL)

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President's Message | Від Голови

Дорогі члени Української громади! Dear Ukrainian community members!

Мені випала велика честь, як Голові Конгресу українців Канади – Провінційної ради Альберти працювати минулого року з нашою громадою під час складних умов, таких як пандемія. Проте нам вдалося подолати ці випробування та ми всі мали надію, що після закінчення пандемії ми повернемося до нормального життя. Але на жаль, 24 лютого Росія розпочала масовані атаки на Україну і наша робота перейшла в нове русло, щоби підтримувати Україну та українських переселенців у нашій провінції.

This year marks 130 years of Ukrainian settlement in Alberta, but it also marks a tragic period in the history of our Ukrainian homeland with the barbaric Russian invasion of Ukraine. Once again, Ukrainians around the world are confronting the horrible reality that brutal and immoral Russian invaders are attempting to eliminate Ukrainian nationhood, history, language, and culture. Nevertheless, Ukrainians remain strong, proud, and unwavering, and we pay tribute to those whose bravery and valor make it possible to safeguard Ukraine's independence today.

This past year while maintaining our regular programs, we have aligned our work to help support settlement of Ukrainians in Alberta and provide Ukraine with humanitarian aid. In order to manage the crisis that the war has brought, the UCC-APC office has hosted several welcome events to help Ukrainian newcomers. We have also supported English classes in both Edmonton and Calgary, and distributed TELUS SIM cards, clothing, laptops, school backpacks and \$35,000 in grocery gift cards to support Ukrainian newcomers in Alberta. Additionally, we have hosted job fairs in-person and online, and provided emergency housing and food to those in need. Our Ukrainian Newcomer Furniture Warehouse has helped approximately 75 newcomer families per week furnish their new homes with mattresses, kitchen tables & chairs, sofas, and dressers. This year we have also redesigned our uccab.ca website which includes a special section for Ukrainian Newcomers. This bilingual website includes new and up-to-date information for settlement in Alberta for both Ukrainians and host families to use. We are proud to have distributed over \$200,000 in grant money to help support existing Ukrainian organizations in Alberta with programming and membership for newcomers.

Despite the challenges instigated by the war, we moved forward with hosting our annual events this year. Our Ukrainian Day celebration was a huge success and an important showcase of Ukrainian culture and talent in the face of Russian aggression. This event commemorated the 130th anniversary of Ukrainian settlement in Alberta and we are grateful to our partner organization Baba's and Borshch for their collaboration in the success of this event. We also coordinated our annual Holodomor Memorial Day and National Internment Commemoration Day.

I am so proud of how resilient our community has been through COVID and in response to this heinous war against Ukraine. I would like to thank all the staff, hundreds of volunteers, donors and sponsors who have come together this past year to help support our Ukrainian community and keep it strong and vibrant.

Orysia Boychuk
President, UCC-APC

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Голова КУК-ПРА

UCC-APC 2021-2022 Annual Report

As the year 2021 was coming to an end, so were the COVID restrictions and our lives began opening with minimal to no government restrictions. We were excited and gearing up to celebrate in person 130 years of Ukrainians being in Canada. As planning for this big milestone celebration began, Russia invaded Ukraine on February 24th, 2022, and everyone's lives changed. Our work has significantly shifted to support the crisis in Ukraine. Having said that, we are grateful to announce that we did celebrate Ukrainian Day 2022 with our theme "130th Anniversary of Ukrainians in Alberta" on August 27-28th, 2022.

As of October 26th, Alberta has welcomed more than **14,000** Ukrainian newcomers fleeing the war. Approximately 42% arrived and settled in Calgary and 32% to Edmonton; the remaining newcomers have dispersed across Alberta.

To respond to the extraordinary circumstances of the Russian invasion of Ukraine, our priorities aligned to the following areas: community outreach, settlement supports for Ukrainian newcomers, funding for our Ukrainian community organizations, humanitarian aid to Ukraine, Ukrainian Day, and Interment Commemoration.

1. Community Outreach

When the war broke out, UCC-APC began engaging and meeting with agencies such as Catholic Social Services, Edmonton Mennonite Centre for Newcomers, Action for Healthy Communities, and Bredin Centre for Career Advancement. We attend provincial multi-stakeholder meetings with government representatives on a regular basis to address settlement support gaps. UCC-APC is represented at Northern and Southern agency meetings that are held every two weeks, and we attend biweekly UCC National working groups sharing best practices and addressing newcomer gaps.

UCC-APC has played a significant role in advocating on settlement issues with all levels of government – municipal, provincial, and federal – and became the voice of the needs of newcomers. We met with Minister of Labour and Immigration Kaycee Madu and were influential in advocating for CUEAT newcomers to be included in the Alberta Advantage Immigration Program. We held meetings with MP Heather McPherson, Federal Minister of Tourism Randy Boissonnault, MP Ziad Aboultaif, Premier Jason Kenney, MLA Jackie Armstrong-Homeniuk, and many other government representatives, and raised important issues around housing and healthcare to help close the gaps relating to Ukrainian newcomers in Alberta.



Working meeting with the Minister of Labour and Immigration, Kaycee Madu



Premier Jason Kenney Announces \$10 million to support Ukraine



Meeting with Federal Minister of Tourism Randy Boissonnault (left) and MP Heather McPherson (right) regarding settlement issues for Ukrainian Newcomers





Roundtable discussion with Jackie Armstrong-Homeniuk

We played a significant role in addressing important issues with the media during the crisis. UCC-APC held over 50 interviews with various media stations including CBC, ITV, City New, BBC.

When the war broke out, several new community organizations established across the province to provide support to Ukraine and

to Alberta Ukrainian newcomers. UCC-APC quickly engaged and connected with the communities to help support these new organizations in places such as Fort McMurray, Lethbridge, Red Deer, Vegreville and Bonneyville. UCC-APC held meetings and provided support such as \$100 TELUS SIM cards, laptops, clothing donations from Joe Fresh clothing, and gift cards.

UCC-APC played the key role in coordinating with Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) to fill the first plane with displaced Ukrainians coming from Poland to Edmonton. We partnered with former Premier Ed Stelmach, former MLA Thomas Lukaszuk, the Canadian Polish Historical Society, and LOT Polish Airlines who donated a plane.



2. Settlement Supports for Ukrainian Newcomers – Humanitarian Aid

We established the website **uccab.ca** to support newcomers with resources that aid in settlement. The website is regularly maintained, providing credible, up-to-date information for settlement of Ukrainian newcomers coming to Alberta.



In Edmonton, an airport “Welcome Booth” was established to greet Ukrainian Newcomers and was run by President of the Ukrainian National Federation Ivan Lypovyk, very soon after the war broke out and operated until the end of June. In July, the Calgary Catholic Immigration Services established a “Welcome Booth” at the Calgary airport to greet and support Ukrainian newcomers.

UCC-APC has also been involved in providing emergency housing and food for those newcomers in crisis.

UCC-APC has been playing a role in supporting English classes as Alberta has a significant wait time to access English classes. Calgary has offered intensive 2-week English classes to help support newcomers, and Edmonton has been hosting weekly English classes to help support the language learning gap. MacEwan University also offered Ukrainian classes for newcomers during the spring and summer time. In addition, UCC-APC has formed an educational committee to create a central educational resource portal for teachers, to help support them with English as a second language material.

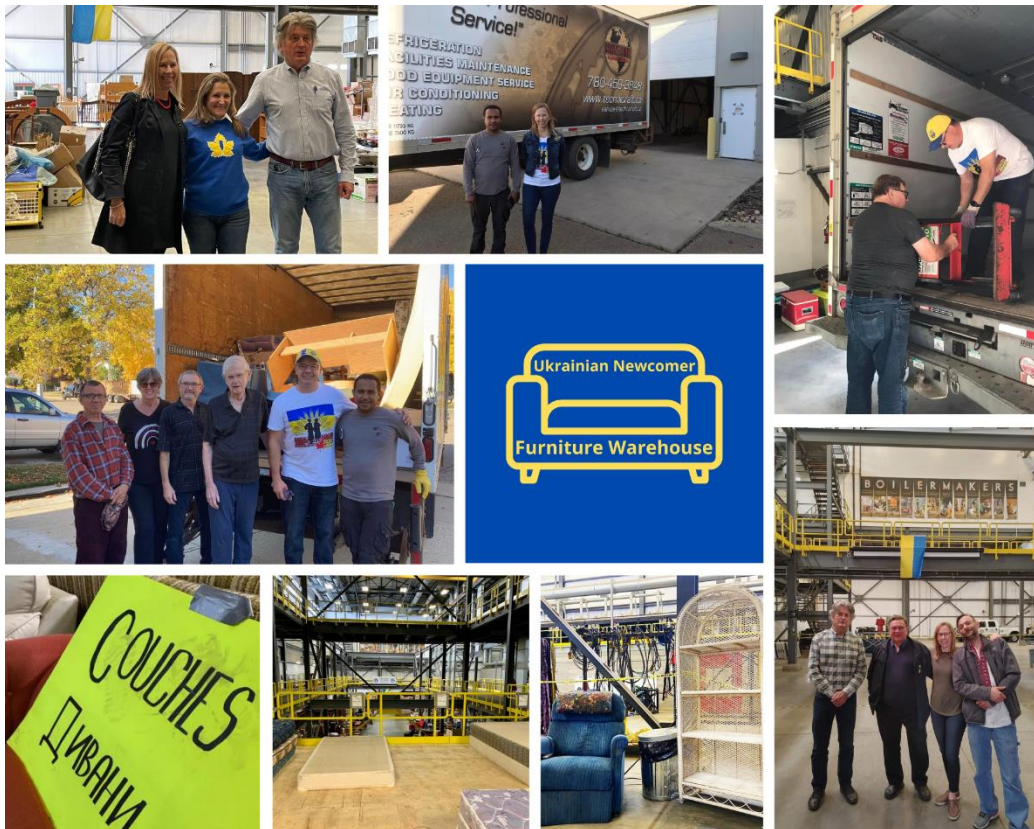
We are supporting and coordinating employment opportunities through online job fairs and in-person job fairs. Calgary held a job fair in person on October 14th where 700 people and 28 employers attended. Edmonton hosted an in-person job fair on November 4th. We partnered with various agencies such as Bredin Institute, Catholic Social Services, and the Edmonton Mennonite Centre for Newcomers to support



the employment needs of newcomers. Over 200 newcomers attended, and 15 different employers participated in the event.

Furniture warehouses have been established in both Calgary and Edmonton to help newcomers settle into their new homes with mattresses, kitchen tables & chairs, couches, dressers, and other furniture items. Thousands of newcomers in Alberta have had their homes completely furnished by furniture donations at the warehouses. Free clothing pop-up stores have also emerged to help support newcomers, and numerous churches and other organizations have taken on the role to help support newcomers with clothing and furniture.

Working together with community members, we began the **Ukrainian Newcomer Furniture Warehouse** in Edmonton to help newcomers with their basic needs, providing free furniture to any Ukrainians fleeing the war. The 23,000 square-foot warehouse was generously donated by the International Brotherhood of Boilermaker’s Lodge 146, and depends on the generosity of volunteers and donated furniture. Since its inception in April 2022 with volunteer coordinator Lev Rinhel, the Ukrainian Newcomer Furniture Warehouse has helped to furnish the homes of approximately **75 families per week** (~300 families per month). The Honourable Chrystia Freeland, Deputy Prime Minister of Canada, had the unique opportunity to visit the Ukrainian Newcomer Furniture Warehouse in October (*top left*).



UCC-APC has hosted 4 welcome events in Edmonton for Ukrainian newcomers. The events provided important information to help with settlement – topics covered included employment opportunities, English classes, banking information, school programs, etc. These events provided an opportunity to connect newcomers with various resources and meet other newcomers in the city.



Calgary Ukrainian Evacuee Welcome Committee

In March of 2022, the Ukrainian Welcome Center opened its doors to Ukrainian evacuees at St. Vladimir's Ukrainian Orthodox Sobor. From that time, over 5,000 Ukrainian evacuees have been served at the center. The Calgary Ukrainian Evacuee Welcome Committee invited Calgary settlement agencies to the center to provide timely and efficient help for evacuees that were trying to figure out their way in a new country with minimal support from government. The Committee was joined by multiple community members from the very first days of its existence, including The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, St. Stephen Protomartyr Ukrainian Catholic Church, Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Ukrainian Catholic Church, Rotary Club of Calgary North, UCPBA, and UCC Calgary.

The activity of the Committee focuses on key areas: onboarding and after arrival support (information and arrival packages), housing, English language, and employability. So far, the Committee has organized two job fairs attended by over 1,200 employment seekers and 60 employers, with another job fair planned for January 27, 2023. The Committee also worked with multiple employers to provide as many employment opportunities to Ukrainian evacuees as possible, which were communicated to the people that attended the Ukrainian Welcome Center and on social media.

From the very first job fair it was clear that the main culprit for Ukrainian evacuees having difficulty getting jobs was lack of English language knowledge. It was taking excessive time for Ukrainian evacuees to get to government sponsored English language courses, so the Committee started bridging that gap by organizing volunteer-led English language courses. Approximately 60 people benefited from these courses, but progress was slower than desirable.

In July 2022 with the help of multiple donors, the Committee commenced "Survival English" courses developed and taught by professional teachers that were evacuees from Ukraine themselves. Since its start, nearly 600 people have graduated from this program. 60% of those students were able to get a job after the course and 80% of those who found a job claim that the course helped them to find it. In addition, the Committee and its members organize numerous information sessions for Ukrainian evacuees in areas of employment, settlement, school system and mental health. Members of the Committee, St. Stephen Protomartyr Ukrainian Catholic Church and Rotary Club North administer programs for rental support for Ukrainian evacuees and provide them with financial support. The Committee will continue to work in the indicated areas going forward.



Donation of Tooth Fairy Money



Survival English Classes



Generous Donation from the Lions Club





3. Financial Support for our Ukrainian Community in Alberta

UCC-APC was very fortunate to have been able to disperse funds to help support our organizations and Ukrainian newcomers.

- 1) \$150,000 – was dispersed to Ukrainian organizations to help support Ukrainians settling in Alberta
- 2) \$60,000 – was dispersed to various organizations to help support summer camp fees, Ukrainian organizations newcomer membership fees, pay for Ukrainian Classes, etc.
- 3) \$35,000 was dispersed in food gift cards to newcomers

The **Grant to Support Alberta's Ukrainian Organizations** provides funds to Ukrainian registered societies or charitable organizations in Alberta belonging to the UCC-APC and their sister organizations, to support Ukrainian nationals fleeing the war in Ukraine and settling in Alberta. This grant funding covers the costs for various projects that Ukrainian organizations would like to offer in Alberta and can assist organizations to complement but not duplicate existing government programs and services. Projects may include hosting newcomers' events in Alberta, coordinating and supporting activities that are not being conducted by agencies (e.g., job fairs), bridging newcomer gaps and aiding navigation to online services and directing them to appropriate areas and agencies.

Congratulations to our 2022 recipients!

- Canadian Society of Ukrainians from Former Yugoslavia – \$12,000
- Fort McMurray Ukrainian Cultural Association – \$4,500
- Project Sunflower Aid Society – \$8,580
- Red Deer – St. Vladimir – \$16,560
- St. Vladimir's Ukrainian Orthodox Sobor – \$65,000
- Ukrainian Canadian Congress, Edmonton Branch – \$35,000

The **Settlement Support Grant for the Ukrainian Community** provides funding to Canadian-Ukrainian organizations and affiliated organizations that fall under the umbrella of the UCC-APC, to support Ukrainian nationals fleeing the war in Ukraine and settling in Alberta. The funding covers the costs for various engagement projects that Ukrainian organizations would like to offer to assist individuals and families in Alberta. This may include supporting Ukrainian Nationals by paying Ukrainian organizational membership fees, paying registration fees for children's day camps in Alberta (for newly arrived Ukrainians fleeing the war), funding field trips for Ukrainian newcomers to places of interest in Alberta that support Ukrainian culture, reimbursing participant fees for Ukrainian cultural activities in Alberta or family camps to enrich the Ukrainian language and culture (for newly arrived Ukrainians fleeing the war), or hosting newcomer welcome and information events.

Congratulations to our 2022 recipients!

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| · Alberta Local and International Education Association – \$1,343 | · Fort McMurray Ukrainian Culture Society – \$3,000 |
| · Alberta Ukrainian Media Association (AUMA) – \$3,000 | · Friends of Ukrainian Heritage Pavilion Society – \$2,860 |
| · Canadian Society of Ukrainians from Former Yugoslavia – \$3,000 | · Hosting Ukrainians in Fort Saskatchewan – \$500 |
| · Edmonton Society – Ukrainian Women's Organization of Canada – \$2,000 | · Ivan Franko School of Ukrainian studies – \$3,000 |



- League of Ukrainian Canadian Women – \$1,620
- Multilingual Families Lab (MLFL), University of Alberta Ukrainian Students' Society (USS), University of Alberta – \$2,000
- Ridna Shkola (Yearly Registration Fee – 30 Newcomer Families) – \$2,950
- Ridna Shkola (Summer Day Camp “Little Angels”) – \$3,000
- St. Basil the Great Ukrainian Catholic Church – \$500
- UCC – Edmonton – \$1,000
- Ukrainian Canadian Social Services – Edmonton – \$1,000
- Ukrainian Catholic Parish of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary – \$3,000
- Ukrainian Music Society of Alberta – \$1,000
- Ukrainian National Federation of Canada – Edmonton – \$3,000
- Ukrainian Youth Association – Edmonton – \$3,000
- Ukrainian Youth Association – Calgary – \$3,000
- Vykrutas Ukrainian Dance Society – \$2,988
- Yatran Dance Academy – \$2,955



Ridna Shkola Ukrainian Heritage Language School of Edmonton



Ivan Franko School of Ukrainian Studies

UCC-APC was also grateful to receive \$350,000 in grant funding from the Government of Alberta on February 23rd, 2022, to help us operationalize and support Ukraine.

4. Humanitarian Aid for Ukraine

UCC-APC played a role in filling the 1st plane to Ukraine with emergency response equipment. We partnered with Firefighter Aid Ukraine and filled a plane with donations in less than 12 hours.

Our second project to support Ukraine was a donation of \$10,000 to our Ukraine twinning city partner Ivano-Frankivsk. We collaborated with Svitlana Onyshchuk (*right*), Head of the Ivano-Frankivsk Regional State Administration. The money was used to purchase laboratory equipment for the military hospital.

UCC-APC also sent 12 iPads to Ukraine to support the army.





Maria Burmaka Fundraising Concert



In October 2022, we hosted a benefit concert featuring popular Ukrainian singer, Maria Burmaka. The concert raised funds for the charitable fund "KOLO," which distributes humanitarian aid and medical supplies to Ukrainians affected by the war. Over 100 people were in attendance, raising over \$2000 for this worthy cause.

During Maria's stay in Edmonton, she also had a chance to share Ukrainian music with students, including at St. Martin Elementary School, St. Matthew Elementary School, Archishop Jordan High School, and Ridna Shkola. Maria also performed at the 90th anniversary of the Ukrainian National Federation and Ukrainian Women's Organization of Canada, Edmonton Society.

We thank Maria Burmaka for visiting our Ukrainian community in Edmonton, as well as all attendees of the concert. Special thanks to the concert organizers and our UCC-APC director Liliya Sokha for leading this fundraising initiative.





5. Fundraising Campaign

In June 2022, UCC-APC held a successful “Golf Tournament.” The tournament had many sponsors and over 70 participants. We raised over \$20,000 for Canada Ukraine Foundation to help support settlement in Alberta. Thank you to Alex Taraiev, our UCC-APC director who led this fundraising initiative.



UCC-APC is very grateful to the Government of Alberta who has supported the Ukrainian Crisis with \$23 million in the past 9 months. Moving forward we will continue to fundraise and provide humanitarian aid to support the settlement of Ukrainian Newcomers in Alberta. We will continue to adjust as we stabilize in a new normal.

Alberta Supports Ukraine Highlights

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There are over 375,000 people that identify as Ukrainian in Alberta. This number will continue to grow as Ukrainian nationals fleeing war arrive in Alberta. Albertans have opened their homes and hearts to support more than 14,000 Ukrainians who have resettled in our province. UCC-APC is working tirelessly to help displaced Ukrainians find housing, provide necessities and advocate for their needs in Alberta.

Here are a few ways that UCC-APC and its partners have been standing with Ukraine:

- **Over \$200,000** to support Ukrainian organizations with programming and memberships for newcomers
- **\$35,000** in grocery gift cards to newcomers
- Distributing **200 Telus SIM cards**
- Website: **uccab.ca** with resources and tools for newcomers
- Filling the first plane to Ukraine with medical and emergency supplies together with Firefighter Aid for Ukraine
- Assisting with crisis needs, including emergency housing
- Financing the purchase of medical equipment in Ivano-Frankivsk
- Organizing a furniture donation warehouse, distributing furniture to thousands of newcomers
- Organizing free English language classes
- Organizing job fairs
- Hosting informational welcome events for newcomers
- Weekly rallies protesting against Russian aggression
- Fundraiser events to support settlement
- Government Advocacy
- Distributing pallets of Joe Fresh clothing throughout Alberta
- Providing laptops and computers to Ukrainians in need
- Coordinating mental health support and resources
- Welcoming Ukrainian Nationals at the Airport





6. Ukrainian Day

On August 28, 2022, Ukrainian Day returned to its roots with celebrations in the town of Lamont, in partnership with the “Babas and Borshch Ukrainian Festival,” to commemorate the 130th anniversary of the first settlement of immigrants from western Ukraine to Alberta. The town of Lamont is located just north of Elk Island National Park, the original location of Ukrainian Day Celebrations over 80 years ago. Lamont is also just south of Star, where the first Ukrainians settled in Canada to establish what was known as the Edna colony. While the 2022 events were unfortunately reminiscent of the 1940’s Ukrainian Day Celebrations, which included newly-arrived individuals from war-torn Ukraine, the event was a success and consisted of many fulfilling moments for Ukrainian-Canadians, both old generations and new.



Throughout the festival weekend, events included honouring our descendants with a visit from Lieutenant Governor of Alberta Salma Lakhani, live demonstrations (e.g. Pysanka making, Ukrainian dance lessons), live music, Ukrainian souvenirs, art and history displays, a kids’ zone, and Ukrainian food including free borshch samples and signature Ukrainian drinks.

The event was a huge success and would not have been possible without the tireless work of our team and extensive network of volunteers. The UCC-APC wishes to extend its thanks to the Organizing Committee for the Festival & Ukrainian Day 2022: Hazel Anaka, Lydia Migus and Rodomir Bilash.

Sunday 28th

9:30 - 11 AM: Pancake Breakfast

10:30 - 11:30 AM: Sunday Liturgy w/ Bishop David at St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Church

11 AM and 1 PM: Vytynanka (Paper Cutting) Workshop (\$10)

11:30 AM - 12:30 PM: "Ukrainian Music in North Central Alberta-Then & Now" Presentation by George Paleniuk

12 PM: Borshch Cook Off

1:30 - 2:30 PM: "WWI Internment Operation" Talk by Mark Minenko

2 - 5 PM: CONCERT Featuring:

- Sim'ya
- Cheremosh
- Natalia Grytsiv & Liliya Sokha
- Viter Dancers & Folk Choir w/ Trembita
- Dunai
- Dnipro
- Korinnya
- Bandurysty
- Tryzub

4:30 PM: WORLD'S LARGEST ARKAN



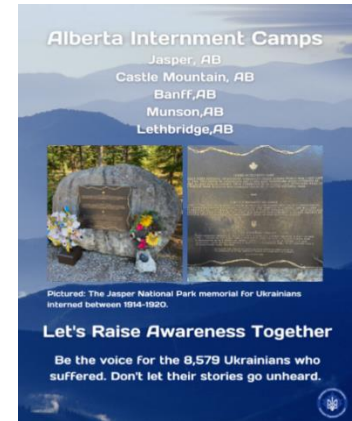


7. Internment

National Internment Commemoration Week took place from October 22 – 30th, 2022, with National Internment Commemoration Day on October 28th, 2022. Under the acting authority of the War Measures Act between 1914 and 1920, 8,579 of Ukrainians were considered "enemy aliens" by Canada and unjustly imprisoned in concentration camps. During National Internment Commemoration Week, we remember the thousands of Ukrainians that were unjustly interned and suffered in Canada.

UCC-APC reached out to community organizations, schools, churches, and the province at large to raise awareness about these tragic events. Many people are unaware of the wrongful treatment of Ukrainian settlers in Canada, and this sad part of history is often forgotten. The UCC-APC called the province to be the voice for those who did not have the chance to speak up for themselves, advocating for school lessons about the internment, memorial masses at churches, and promoting the week on our website and social media.

On Saturday, October 29th, Ridna Shkola Ukrainian Heritage Language School of Edmonton commemorated Canada's First National Internment Operations.



8. XXVII Triennial Congress of Ukrainian Canadians – Трирічний Конгрес Українських Канадців



UCC-APC participated in the historic XXVII Triennial Congress of Ukrainian Canadians which took place from October 28-30, 2022, in Winnipeg, MB. There were over 400 Ukrainian community leaders in attendance from all over Canada. The delegates set the priorities and elected the leadership of the Ukrainian Canadian Congress for the next three years.

We were proud to have over 60 delegates from Alberta (*right*) dedicated to shaping the present and future direction of the Ukrainian Canadian Congress. The theme of the Congress this year was – Stronger Together – В Єдності Сила – Tous ensemble – which allowed us to discuss the future of Ukraine and the future of our community amongst Canadian and Ukrainian government officials.



Our eminent guests this year included:

From Canada:

- Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada,
- Honourable Chrystia Freeland, Deputy Prime Minister, Canada,
- Honourable Anita Anand, Minister of National Defence,
- Honourable Harjit Sajjan, Minister of International Development,
- James Bezan, MP, Selkirk Interlake Eastman, spoke on behalf of the Leader of the Opposition the - Honourable Pierre Poilievre
- The Honourable Heather Stefanson, Premier of Manitoba;
- Scott Gillingham, Mayor-elect of Winnipeg.
- Her Excellency Larisa Galadza, Ambassador of Canada to Ukraine

From Ukraine (by video):

- First Lady of Ukraine Olena Zelenska
- Minister of Defence Oleksii Reznikov
- Minister of Foreign Affairs Dmytro Kuleba
- Her Excellency Yuliya Kovaliv, Ambassador of Ukraine to Canada

UCC-APC was pleased with the announcements made by Prime Minister Justin Trudeau at the Triennial Congress, which included:

- The Government of Canada issuing Ukraine Sovereignty Bonds
- \$55 million dollars to humanitarian partners
- \$15 million dollars in funding for demining support in Ukraine
- The Canada-Ukraine Science Partnership

While addressing the Congress, Prime Minister Trudeau stated, “Canada and Ukraine are united – not just by the strong ties between our peoples, but also by our fundamental belief in freedom, in democracy, in justice, and in the triumph of light over darkness. As Russia continues its illegal and unjustifiable aggression against Ukraine, Canada will continue to support the Ukrainian government and people. In standing up for themselves, Ukrainians are standing up for democracy everywhere.”

UCC-APC was overwhelmed by the resilience of the Ukrainian community in Canada and proud to stand in solidarity with the community to learn, bond, and grow together in our shared mission to fight against Russia and preserve our rich culture, language, and history.

Congratulations to Alexandra Chyczij for her re-election as President of the Ukrainian Canadian Congress. We thank her for her leadership, and all community leaders for their strength and voice within the Ukrainian community.





9. Hetman Awards

The Annual Hetman Awards recognizes significant volunteer achievements of outstanding Ukrainian Albertans and is dedicated to the celebration of all volunteers who have given their time, effort, and expertise to maintaining a strong, vibrant, and active Ukrainian-Canadian community in Alberta. The 2021 Hetman Awards banquet took place on December 4th, 2021.

The 2022 Hetman Awards banquet will take place on December 3rd, 2022. The 2022 Hetman Award Recipients are as follows:

- Outstanding Leader: Catherine Bacinski, Olesia Luciw-Andryjowycz, Nataliya Melysh, Tamara Vorotilenko
- Exemplary Volunteer: Rodney Shaigec, Ivan Vorotilenko
- Professional Achievement: Olia Myc, Liliya Sukhy
- Posthumous: Phyllis Rose Basaraba



10. Holodomor

November 22-28, 2021, was National Holodomor Commemoration Week. Holodomor Memorial Day occurs on the fourth Friday of November in schools as a Day of Remembrance.

Ukrainians in Alberta are united with the international community in commemorating the anniversary of the 1932-33 Holodomor-Genocide in Ukraine. In Soviet Ukraine, the region known as Europe's breadbasket, 7-10 million lives were suddenly eradicated by starvation at the hands of Joseph Stalin. Together we can spread the truth about the Holodomor, and ensure acknowledgement of the Holodomor as an act of genocide against the Ukrainian nation.



Leonid Korownik, Holodomor survivor, with Premier Jason Kenney



Holodomor Commemoration, November 2021

Please take some time to learn and reflect during National Holodomor Commemoration Week, November 21-27, 2022, and join us at the Alberta Legislature on November 22, 2022, at 12:15 p.m.



Donors

UCC-APC gratefully acknowledges all our donors, funders and businesses for their financial support in 2021-2022:

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| Over \$10,000 | | | |
| Greater Parkland Regional Chamber of Commerce | \$50,000.00 | Kevin Nitchke | \$309.27 |
| Over \$5,000 | | R. Slabyj | \$309.27 |
| Decore Holding | \$8,080.00 | Darlene & David Bergen | \$300.00 |
| Lesley Eiden | \$7,466.00 | Ernest & Vivian Skakun | \$300.00 |
| Western Tractor Company Inc | \$5,295.33 | Ivan Harrakh | \$300.00 |
| Canadian Polish Historical Society | \$5,000.00 | John Boyson | \$300.00 |
| Edmonton Diocesan Council of the Catholic Womens League | \$5,000.00 | Jorden Johnson | \$300.00 |
| St. Andrew's Ukrainian Orthodox Sobor Parish | \$5,000.00 | Justina Trush | \$300.00 |
| Over \$2,000 | | Paula D Hale | \$300.00 |
| Greenland Garden Center | \$4,535.00 | 966291 Alberta Ltd O/A Yaworski Farms | \$250.00 |
| Celestial Wine & Spirits | \$3,166.50 | Allen Wasnea Engineering Ltd | \$250.00 |
| John H. and Marie Koziak Family Foundation | \$3,000.00 | Barbara Koziak | \$250.00 |
| UCC Edmonton | \$3,000.00 | Donald Lutzak | \$250.00 |
| Chipman Historical Society | \$2,516.65 | Donald Nelson | \$250.00 |
| John Repchuk | \$2,000.00 | Orest Soltykevych | \$250.00 |
| Over \$1,000 | | Sylwester Wysocki | \$250.00 |
| J.R. Robson Student Council | \$1,900.00 | Unifirst Canada Ltd | \$250.00 |
| Aniela Bera | \$1,825.00 | Over \$200 | |
| Vatra Adult Ukrainian Dancers | \$1,600.00 | Gloria Starkell | \$206.28 |
| Lydia Radyo | \$1,600.00 | Adam Lazaruk | \$200.00 |
| All Saints Ukrainian Orthodox Church | \$1,500.00 | Anne and Arthur Kachman | \$200.00 |
| Croy Yee | \$1,500.00 | Arthur Kachman | \$200.00 |
| A touch of Heaven Landscaping | \$1,093.00 | Bill Lebedovich | \$200.00 |
| Ian Noble | \$1,030.18 | Bob & Vivien Kisilevich | \$200.00 |
| Civic Service Union 52/Union 52 Benevolent Society | \$1,000.00 | Boris Luciw | \$200.00 |
| Margaret Ellen Bolton | \$1,000.00 | Dr. Cornel Filipchuk | \$200.00 |
| Michael & Patricia Prokopiw | \$1,000.00 | Dr. Orest Talpash | \$200.00 |
| Michael Lucewicz | \$1,000.00 | Dushan Bednarsky | \$200.00 |
| Sir Winston Spencer Churchill Society | \$1,000.00 | Genia Leskiw | \$200.00 |
| St. Michael's Knights of Columbus | \$1,000.00 | George Zaharia | \$200.00 |
| Ukrainian Catholic Parish of St. George | \$1,000.00 | Gordon & Marion Ostapchuk | \$200.00 |
| Village of Chipman | \$1,000.00 | Gordon Gordey | \$200.00 |
| West Edmonton Mall Property Inc. | \$1,000.00 | Gordon McLeod | \$200.00 |
| Over \$500 | | Jorden Johnson | \$200.00 |
| Greenland Garden Centre | \$922.10 | Julian & Joannie Lopushinsky | \$200.00 |
| St. Brendan Catholic E/J High School | \$893.59 | Linda Graber | \$200.00 |
| Soraya Hefez School | \$888.45 | Lloyd Andruchow | \$200.00 |
| Park Memorial Ltd. | \$750.00 | Nadia Warchola | \$200.00 |
| Nataliya Pavlenko | \$660.00 | Orest Pohoreski | \$200.00 |
| Carolyn Goresky | \$515.24 | Robert Cole | \$200.00 |
| 1726722 Alberta Ltd | \$500.00 | Stephen Bigoray | \$200.00 |
| 1726722 Alberta Ltd - Brian & Leesa Jones | \$500.00 | Sturgeon Heights School | \$200.00 |
| Aaron DeNault | \$500.00 | Tileworks | \$200.00 |
| Alfred Zariwny | \$500.00 | Trevor West | \$200.00 |
| Allison Jerome | \$500.00 | Winnifred Colony | \$200.00 |
| Azerbaijan Cultural Society of Edmonton | \$500.00 | Over \$100 | |
| Dennis Tink | \$500.00 | Allison Jerome | \$190.00 |
| Dr. Edward & Marina Masson | \$500.00 | Mike Krywiak | \$150.00 |
| Dr. Ivanna Tataryn | \$500.00 | Olena Zacherniuk | \$140.00 |
| Elvira Johnson | \$500.00 | Vera Consolo | \$132.00 |
| Gordon Ostapchuk | \$500.00 | Lisa Kessler | \$120.00 |
| Ivan D. Harrakh | \$500.00 | Stacey Massner | \$103.30 |
| Ivanna Tataryn | \$500.00 | Val Metrunec | \$103.30 |
| Maxwell Rogers | \$500.00 | Denise Chang-Yen | \$103.30 |
| Michael Lucewicz | \$500.00 | Tu Huynh | \$103.30 |
| Patrick Hinds | \$500.00 | Aaron Murzyn | \$100.00 |
| Slava Yushko | \$500.00 | Curtis Gouw | \$100.00 |
| Sonia & Zorian Talanchuk | \$500.00 | Dennis Elkow | \$100.00 |
| St. Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Mens Club | \$500.00 | Dustin Froehlich | \$100.00 |
| Ukrainian Catholic Women's League of Canada (Alberta Branch) | \$500.00 | Elaine Friedrich | \$100.00 |
| Ukrainian Senior Citizens Association of Marko Boyeslaw | \$500.00 | Enid Vivienne Munro | \$100.00 |
| | | George & Mary Dytyniak | \$100.00 |



Member Reports

Конгрес Українців Канади- Едмонтонський Відділ Ukrainian Canadian Congress – Edmonton Branch



Слава Україні!

First off, I'd like to extend a huge "Thank you" to the volunteers of UCC Edmonton board. The last eight months have been challenging for everyone in our community.

There are a few items that are worth highlighting:

- 1) UCC-Edmonton organized rallies in support of Ukraine leading up to the invasion including the well-attended Car rally on February 6, 2022. Following the full-scale invasion on February 24, 2022, UCC Edmonton co-organized and participated in numerous demonstrations beginning the first night of the war in front of the Legislature.
- 2) UCC-Edmonton fielded countless media inquiries related to the Russian Invasion. UCC-Edmonton has been vocal in speaking out against the spate of harassment, intimidation, and violence against the Ukrainian Community since the outbreak of the war.
- 3) In March, UCC-Edmonton worked with UCC-APC to facilitate the arrival of the first plane load of Ukrainians displaced by the invasion.
- 4) UCC-Edmonton helped spearhead the NHL Alberta Stands with Ukraine week which included 4 Ukrainian themed game nights. The Oilers and Flames 50/50 draws raised hundreds of thousands for the UCC-CUF Humanitarian Appeal.
- 5) On June 16 We co-hosted Zeleni Sviata with LUC Edmonton including panakhyda at St. Michael's and Meet and greet with Viktor "Sig" a Canadian Volunteer fighting in Ukraine.
- 6) This year's Heritage Festival was a great success. Once again, an army of volunteers made this event possible. UCC-Edmonton spearheaded calls to ban the Russia Pavilion from the event. With support from UCC-APC as well as our member organizations we were successful.
- 7) On August 21, 2022, UCC-Edmonton hosted Ukrainian Independence Day at the Ukrainian Youth Unity Complex, the first time since 2017. This event was a smash hit with over 600 people in attendance. We partnered with YEG4Ukraine and donated over \$5000 to their ambulance project. The performers were almost exclusively Newcomers. Special thank-you to Olena Danyleiko for putting together a spectacular artistic program on short notice after our original plans fell through.
- 8) UCC-Edmonton sent 7 Delegates to the XXVII Triennial Congress of Ukrainian Canadians in Winnipeg, Manitoba. Five other board members attended as delegates from member organizations.
- 9) We are in the midst of planning this year's Holodomor Commemoration which will feature keynote speaker Michael Bociurkiw. Michael is an Edmonton born, Ukraine based Journalist with excellent insights into the Russia's use of food as weapon both in 1932-33 and today

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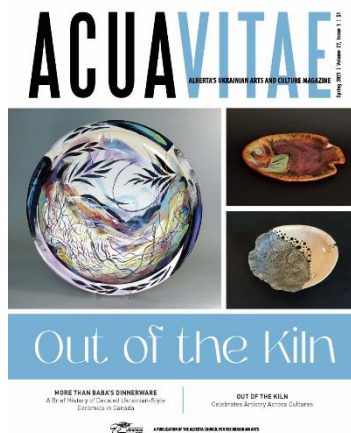
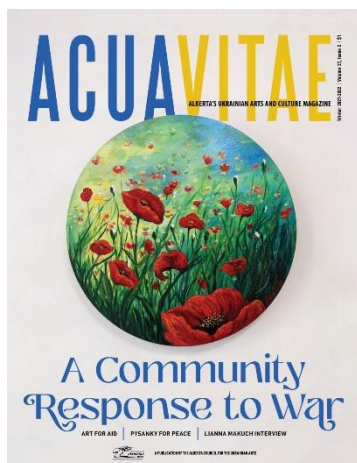
Alberta Council for the Ukrainian Arts is proud to report a successful year offering a wide variety of quality programming and services. The Board of Directors would like to extend a special thank you to our professional team of Robin McHugh, Borys Tarasenko, Elena Scharabun, Lizzy Taylor and Leda Tarnawsky who manage the operations, gallery, boutique, and programming and to all the dedicated volunteers and members who continue to make ACUA a success. The ACUA Gallery & Artisan Boutique continue to grow. To date, we feature over 150 artists, folk artists, musicians, and writer's original works of art for sale in the boutique and on our online store. ACUA continues to offer programming throughout the province of Alberta.

Highlights of programming we offered and events we hosted this year include:

- Signature Artist Series featured exhibits
- In person and online fine and folk-art workshops, special workshops, and lectures
- Publication of ACUA Vitae – Ukrainian Art and Culture magazine
- Annual Easter and Christmas and Harvest markets
- Operation of ACUA Gallery & Artisan Boutique & Community Art Space
- Operation of an online Boutique
- Ukrainian Vintage Fair
- Maintenance of an online Directory of Ukrainian Artists
- Ukrainian Jam music program
- Outreach and support for artists and the arts community

ACUA continues to seek out representatives and offer programming across the province. We are proud to have regional representatives in Lethbridge, Calgary, Grande Prairie, Jasper, Vegreville, Andrew, Bonnyville, and Carvel.

The Board of Directors extends a sincere thank you to the community for the overwhelming support of ACUA. We look forward to an exciting 2022-23 with the continuation of our current programming and the addition of new, exciting programs and initiatives.



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Alberta Foundation for Ukrainian Education Society



Вельмишановні пані і панове – члени нашої української громади!

Ми всі знаємо, як важливо є для нашої української громади зберігати українську мову та ідентичність в

Канаді. Саме для цієї мети існує наша організація – Альбертська Фундація Сприяння Українській Освіті (АФСУО).

This year the Alberta Foundation for Ukrainian Education Society (AFUES) is celebrating the 42nd anniversary of its existence. According to our Mission Statement: *“AFUES supports the development of Ukrainian language education in order to foster and promote positive social and cultural identity within Canada’s diverse mosaic.”*

Naturally, this was a very difficult year as we were navigating our ways during the times of COVID-19 pandemic. Nonetheless, our organization has continued making strong strides in fulfilling our mission.

Минулого року ми вибрали Раду Директорів нашої фундації в такому складі. Last year at our 2021 AGM, we elected the following AFUES Board of Directors:

Голова – Владко Бойчук / President – Vlodko Boychuk
 Колишній Голова – Марко Левицький / Past President – Marco Levytsky
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 Скарбник – Ігор Крис / Treasurer – Ihor Kryss
 Секретарка – Наталія Наявко / Secretary – Nataliya Nayavko
 Директорка – Алла Недасківська / Director – Alla Nedashkivska (Scholarships Portfolio)
 Директорка – Олена Гарцула / Director – Olena Hartsula (Membership Portfolio)
 Вільний член – Ілля Симчишин / Member-at-Large – Ilija Simcisin

А зараз я хочу розказати Вам про роботу нашої Фундації АФСУО протягом минулого року. Some of AFUES accomplishments during 2021-2022 reporting period include:

1. Цього року наша фундація продовжувала надавати важливі стипендії з української мови для студентів Альбертського університету. AFUES continued providing Ukrainian Language Scholarships for the University of Alberta undergraduate Ukrainian language courses.
2. Також ми фінансово підтримували різні рівні україномовної освіти – від суботніх шкіл та двомовних шкіл до українських курсів на Альбертському університеті. This year AFUES has funded different areas of Ukrainian language education: from Saturday Heritage Schools, such as *Ridna Shkola* and *Kursy Ukrayinoznavstva* to Ukrainian Bilingual Programs and post-secondary Ukrainian education.
3. Альбертська Фундація Сприяння Українській Освіті (АФСУО-AFUES) разом з іншими організаціями щороку спонсорує виступи доповідачів на Шевченківській лекції. Минулого року на 56-ій Шевченківській лекції ми з радістю привітали виступ д-ра Франка Сисина, який розповів про його

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вклад у розвиток українських студій в Канаді.

4. On March 9, 2022, AFUES was a co-sponsor of the 56th Annual Shevchenko Lecture in cooperation with the Canadian Institute of Ukrainian Studies (CIUS) and the Ukrainian Canadian Professional and Business Association of Edmonton (UCPBAE). Over the years, we've had so many excellent speakers from around the world, who have touched on a wide variety of Ukrainian topics. Dr. Frank Sysyn presented an excellent lecture "In Pursuit of the Past and the Future: Reflections on a Career in Ukrainian Studies from the 1960s to the 2020s".
5. Last year, our organization successfully hosted AFUES Casino. Thank you to many of AFUES members and supporters for donating their time and expertise to run this successful fundraising event. Special thank you to Olena Hartsula for coordinating volunteers for this casino.
6. Минулого року, наша фундація АФСУО успішно організувала та провела казино, де вдалося зібрати солідні кошти на нашу діяльність. При нагоді, хочемо щирозеречно подякувати всім нашим волонтерам, які допомогли у проведенні цього казино. Особлива подяка Олені Гарцулі, яка невтомно координувала допомогу наших волонтерів.
7. В травні 2022 року у співпраці з іншими українськими освітніми організаціями, наша фундація АФСУО спонсорувала міжнародну вчительську конференцію «Українське шкільництво у світі сьогодні», яка відбулася в режимі онлайн. В ній взяли участь 237 українських освітян з 19 країн світу.

In May of 2022, the National Conference for Ukrainian Educators "Ukrainian Education in the World: New Realities" was held in the format of Online Educational Workshops. It was organized by the UCC National Ukrainian Education Council with the support of the Ukrainian Canadian Congress in partnership with the Ukrainian World Congress International Educational Coordinating Council.

8. АФСУО також тісно співпрацює з іншими українськими освітніми організаціями для створення нового підручника навчання української мови в Канаді та світі. Ми далі стараємося знайти нові організації та фундації, які могли би та хотіли би приєднатися до цього проекту.

AFUES also closely cooperates with other Ukrainian Educational organizations to create a new multimedia resource for learning of the Ukrainian language outside of Ukraine. As you know, AFUES has commissioned a special Needs Assessment of the Ukrainian language readers and textbooks in Canada. The outcome of this research demonstrated a definite need for Ukrainian language textbooks not just in Canada, but also in the Ukrainian diaspora around the world. AFUES has initiated negotiations with the UCC National Ukrainian Language Education Council and also Ukrainian World Congress Ukrainian Education Council, who are interested in co-financing the development of such Ukrainian readers and textbooks.

Дорогі друзі, ще раз щиро дякую всім членам Ради Директорів АФСУО за їхню працю для розвитку та поширення україномовної освіти в Альберті.

To sum up, I would like to thank all the members of AFUES Board of Directors once again for their contributions in the development of the Ukrainian language education in Alberta.

Слава Україні! – Героям Слава!
Glory to Ukraine! – Glory to the Heroes!

Report by Vlodko Boychuk, AFUES President



Alberta Ukrainian Dance Association



The Alberta Ukrainian Dance Association (AUDA) exists to serve the needs of the Ukrainian dance community as a liaison, network hub, and information resource center. Our mandate, which is determined through feedback from our membership and regular stakeholder engagements, includes the following:

- To promote, maintain, and enhance the appreciation of Ukrainian culture through dance.
- To serve as a liaison in the Ukrainian dance community and respond to requests for assistance from dance groups and instructors.
- To enable skill development and improvement opportunities through conferences and workshops.
- To collect and distribute information on the various aspects of Ukrainian dance in a wider context of performing arts
- To encourage participation in dance as a multifaceted lived experience in physical, artistic, and social settings for people of all ages and from all walks of life
- To facilitate participation in performance events and festivals as way of promoting cross-cultural competence and modeling behaviour of diversity and inclusion

AUDA continues to support over 60 schools across the province where nearly 3,500 children, teens and adults participate in Ukrainian dance enriching the cultural life of our communities. There are also over 80 instructors from the Edmonton area who teach in Edmonton and across the province.

Our Board of Directors maintains a healthy ratio of male to female members who boast a variety of skills and talents be it in teaching dance, creating artistic events, mentorship, or communication, research and administration.

We are always looking for new people to join our Board who will bring fresh perspectives to and engage in AUDA's activities.

Our current Board of Directors includes the following members:

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|----------------|------------------|
| PRESIDENT | Emily Belke |
| VICE-PRESIDENT | Kayla Devaux |
| TREASURER | Gordon Gordey |
| SECRETARY | Caitlin Kaminsky |
| DIRECTOR | Steven Murrell |
| DIRECTOR | Trevor Shular |

In the past year, AUDA focused its efforts on enhancing member experience accessing digital resources housed on our website <https://www.abuda.ca/> with the most popular feature being an inventory of “dance-ready” music pieces commissioned by AUDA and representing various regions of Ukraine. In addition to increased interest in Alberta, this specific resource has attracted membership from other provinces in Canada, the USA, and internationally. We are proud to share that with one-third of our membership teaching and using AUDA's resources outside of the province of Alberta, we are truly transcending geographical borders.

Our second most important area of focus has been providing skill development opportunities to Ukrainian dance instructors. Yearly, AUDA organizes instructor development workshops taking place in Edmonton or Calgary. Last year's workshop took place in Edmonton and focused on skill-building and teaching techniques to children of various age groups. The workshop was specifically useful in the context of consequences imposed on us by Covid-19 environment and highlighted the importance of re-introducing children's physical engagement with dance as a step-by-step process.

AUDA's third area of contribution to the enjoyment of Ukrainian dance by wider communities was the participation in the UFest event in Edmonton in the spring of 2022. By volunteering their skill and knowledge, AUDA's Board organized a performance of two dances – Pryvit and Hopak – to show on stage to a delighted audience of UFest visitors.

With the upcoming 40th-year anniversary of its existence, AUDA is looking forward to staying true to its mandate, widening its reach of programming, and attracting new members and fresh ideas to make the experience of Ukrainian dance not only more colourful and vibrant, but also broadly accessible by all who would like to be part of it.





Alberta Ukrainian Self-Reliance League (AUSRL)

Союз Українців Самостійників



Союз Українців Самостійників – В Альберті (СУС-Альберті)

The COVID-19 Pandemic has continued to disrupt the functioning of the AUSRL Board since our online AGM that was held on December 6, 2021. We did see our component organizations begin to re-open and start making plans that would hopefully get our Ukrainian Orthodox community back to normal. As well, the National Ukrainian Self-Reliance Leagues Triennial Convention was being planned for in-person here in Edmonton for August 8-13, 2022 which our Board took on major planning roles.

The 2021 AUSRL Annual Convention was held online on December 6, 2021 using the Google Meet platform. It consisted of 3 component organizations participating – the Ukrainian Museum of Canada – Alberta Branch held its AGM, the UWAC – Alberta Executive held their AGM to share their Financial Report and the AUSRL AGM was held. As well, we recognized 4 Ukrainian Orthodox Youth with the 2021 CYMK - UOY Leadership Bursary. This was recognized online, where the actual certificate and cheque was delivered during Christmas Break.

We wish to congratulate the following 2020 Recipients:

- Pavlo Tsisar – 2nd Time Recipient, University of Alberta Sciences
- Nikolai Kruhlak – 3rd Time Recipient, University of Alberta, Sciences
- Adam Jereniuk – 3rd Time Recipient, Brock University, Sports Management
- Marco Kruhlak – 4th Time Recipient, University of Alberta, Education

The AUSRL Annual Meeting was held online due to COVID-19 protocols for gatherings being restricted.

The following 2021-2022 AUSRL Board was re-elected:

- Dennis Kuchta – President
- Kim Gutsche – Vice President
- Susan Jereniuk – Secretary
- Ron Bayda – Treasurer

Directors from the Component / Affiliate Organizations of USRL-CYC in Alberta are appointed, which are:

- Vivian Skakun – Director, Ukrainian Women's Association of Canada, UWAC Alberta Provincial
- Roxoliana Tsisar – Director, CYMK- Ukrainian Orthodox Youth, Alberta Provincial
- Taras Jereniuk – Director, TYC – Edmonton
- Michael Zubkow – Director, TYC – Calgary
- Myrna Kostash – Director, St. John's Institute
- Elaine Harasymiw – Director, Ukrainian Museum of Canada, Alberta Branch (Edmonton)
- Rev. Georg Podtepa - Chaplain

As with many of our Ukrainian community organizations beginning to restart programming, we looked at how to best support our community in their restarts. As well, with the Russian Invasion of Ukraine in February 2022 much of our community support also led to providing support for Ukrainian Newcomers arriving to Canada. Our funding distribution centered on restarting many of our organizations, as well as supporting the Newcomer efforts.



Our Financial Year ends August 31, 2022. Due to COVID-19 and the needs of organizations, we received limited funding requests, however some of our traditional supports were beginning to restart their programming. We have allocated funding to the following organizations so far for 2022:

- Camp Barvnok Society - \$1000 for their 2022 Summer Camp Programming
- Live-Ski-Hi Summer Camp Programming - \$1000
- Camp Barvnok Society – Newcomer Retreat, June 2022 - \$1500
- USRL National Convention 2022 – Convention Sponsorship - \$2500
- National CYMK-UOY Convention – Sponsorship - \$1200

Also, we will be awarding four CYMK-UOY Leadership Bursaries for the 2022 Year at the upcoming AGM in December, which we hope to hold in-person.

I would like to thank my board for their perseverance and support during these trying times of COVID, as we also move to getting back to new sense of normalcy. Through a strong community spirit, we shall be able to move forward and have our community as strong, if stronger than ever.

Respectfully submitted,
Dennis Kuchta, President, AUSRL 2021-2022

Our 2021 CYMK-UOY Leadership Bursary Recipients: (as recognised at the December 6, 2021 AUSRL AGM)



Pavlo Tsisar



Adam Jereniuk



Marco Kruhlak



Nikolai Kruhlak

USRL National Triennial Convention, Edmonton, August 8-14, 2022

CYMK-UOY watching Ancestors & Elders with Joe Hoffman, Creative Director of the production.



Delegates to the USRL 2022 Triennial during the Opening session

USRL delegates participating in a virtual session with Boris Kishchuk on Colonialism



CYMK-UOY participating in the Blanket Exercise



Bishop Budka Charitable Society



The mission of the Bishop Budka Charitable Society is:

1. To carry out projects and programs of national and international assistance, development, and emergency relief.
2. To foster an awareness of our global community through education, individual and personal involvement.
3. To promote, encourage, and assist national and international aid and development.
4. To collect, raise and distribute funds to support the aid and development

Over the course of the past year the Bishop Budka Charitable Society continued to fulfill its mission by holding monthly meetings, reviewing requests for funding, and disbursing funds to assist communities overseas and nationally.

Highlights of the year include the purchase of a scanner A2 for the Lviv Museum of the History of Religion, support of the Bridge of Hope project, a major donation of \$30,000 to the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Edmonton for humanitarian aid in Ukraine, as well as donations for other causes.

The Bishop Budka Charitable Society held its Annual General Meeting on the evening of Wednesday, 22 June 2022. This was an in-person event. Oleksandr Danyleiko, the Consul General of Ukraine in Edmonton, was the guest speaker. An article by Lidia M. Wasylyn on the event and Consul Danyleiko's speech was published in *New Pathway/Ukrainian News*:

<https://newpathway.ca/they-are-killing-our-future-our-only-choice-is-to-fight/>

Serge Cipko, President



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The Friends Society supports the Ukrainian Cultural Heritage Village (UCHV) in achieving its full potential and provides the museum's interpretation, food service, and giftshop services. We bolster our own organization through programs and ventures that raise funds, increase awareness of the UCHV, and provide a doorway for community involvement. We are a membership-based organization comprised of individual and family members.

Our current elected Board of Directors are Karen Graves (President), Gail Fenton (Vice President), Alexandra Lazaruik (Vice President), Tanisha Ayotte (Secretary) Rena Hanchuk, Kimberly DeSouza, Dr. Mark Minenko, TJ Fenton, and Lydia Migus (Past-President). The current Executive Director is Gordon Yaremchuk and staff includes Shelby Doucette, Heidi Worrall, Anika Lukie, and Sylvia Mak.

We held our AGM in March of 2022 both online and in-person at the UCHV.

The event featured lunch, door prizes, and presentations. Noted highlights of the previous year included the success of our 2022 Calendar and year-round sale of Giftshop items through our website.

The UCHV opened this past May instead of the delayed June opening of the past 2 years. Our music festival returned to a live audience and it was at this event that we announced the recipient of our Ludvik Marianych Ukrainian Music & Leadership Scholarship, Maria Pottle of Derwent, AB. The tentative date for next year's Ukrainian Village Music Fest is Sunday, July 16. We are proud to say that our Historical Children's Program (HCP) summer day camp successfully welcomed 81 campers and this included 26 Ukrainian National children sponsored by Ukrainian Canadian Social Services and other donor organizations. Vatra Ukrainian Dancers generously sponsored the lunches for all campers thanks to the success of their annual golf tournament fundraiser.

Our "St. Nick & Snooker 50/50 Raffle Fundraiser" is currently available online at rafflebox.ca/raffle/fouvs with an expected jackpot of \$20,000. Our goal is to help complete the artifact furnishing of the Hilliard Pool Hall at the UCHV.

The Friends Society is now gearing up to attend Christmas markets where we will sell merchandise and engage in promotion. We look forward to continuing our support of the UCHV in 2023 by providing visitor services and raising funds to help complete the Ukrainian Cultural Heritage Village.



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Edmonton Catholic Schools Ukrainian Bilingual Parent Advisory Society

Mission: to promote, advocate, and support the Edmonton Catholic Schools Ukrainian Bilingual Program (UBP) so as to sustain the highest quality of academic, bilingual, cultural, and religious learning opportunities and resources for all students.



Thank you to parents, teachers, administrators, volunteers, and community stakeholders for their support, commitment, and contributions to the Ukrainian Bilingual Program and activities of the Society for over 45 years!

Enrollment (K-Gr. 12) 2021-2022 year = approx. 730 students (influx with newcomers) (St. Martin – 300; St.

Matthew - 230, St. Brendan – 140; Austin O'Brien - 60).

Highlights of 2021-22 and events sponsored by the Edmonton Catholic Schools Ukrainian Bilingual Parent Advisory Society (UBPAS):

AGM (October 7th, 2021): Held virtually & included a former student (Daria Podilsky) to discuss the impact of the program on her.

November 2021: Ukrainian picture dictionaries were presented to Grade 2 students.

Scholarship and Achievement Presentations: 4 Gr. 12 students received scholarships at office of Consul General for Ukraine; Elementary/Junior high student awards presented at each school.

Casino Feb 28th & Mar 1st, 2022: After a one year postponement due to Covid, we had our UBPAS casino.

Appreciation: June 2022 we provided some sweet treats to our administrators, teachers and support staff to remind them how much they are appreciated.

2022 Farewells: Fortunately, this year, June farewell events returned to in person. The Grade 12 Matura was held at Holy Cross & the UBPAS contributed funds in support of the event. St. Brendan had their Grade 9 pizza party/farewell for the Ukrainian Bilingual students, where the UBPAS provided the pizzas. Both St. Martin and St. Matthew celebrated with Grade 6 farewell events.

June 2022: Submitted a questionnaire to parents of the program (June 2022) to help us understand where to focus our funds and advocate efforts.

Marketing and Advertising 2021-2022:

For the Edmonton Catholic Schools Ukrainian Bilingual Program continued to be a joint venture with UBPAS, school administrations, and Edmonton Catholic School District. The marketing plan included the following initiatives, all coordinated by ECSD, and funded jointly by the UBPAS and our partner organization, UBLA (Ukrainian Bilingual Language Association):

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Sonia McLean & Oksana Kravetz

Members at Large:

Ken Semeniuk



- Roadsigns to advertise open houses for each school, pre-roll news campaigns, YouTube and Facebook advertisements along with digital ads on screens at all four soccer centres & the Argyll arena.
- Handbills in welcome packages for newcomer families arriving from Ukraine.
- Other advertising implemented: special feature publications within the local community (e.g., ACUA Vitae Magazine, UCC e-bulletin, etc.).
- We put up displays for the Edmonton Catholic Schools Ukrainian Bilingual Program at various community events: Yarmarok (Mar 26th & 27th, 2022), Ufest (May 27th & 28th, 2022 & Ukrainian newcomer event at St. Matthews (June 9, 2022)

Financial Support:

The Society continues to provide funding to each school for the Ukrainian bilingual program, to support and/or subsidize:

- Classroom/library resource materials
- School cultural activities, celebrations, special projects (e.g., the Artist-in-Residence, Larisa Sembaliuk-Cheladyn, at St. Martin and embroidery with Joyce Howell)
- Field trips, student retreats, transportation costs (e.g. fieldtrip to Ukrainian Village for K-6 and the tour of churches and cemeteries for the 7-9 students)
- Scholarship program for Grade 12 and Academic Achievement awards for Grade 4-9
- Recognition program including farewell gifts for Grades 6, 9 (icon and rushnyk) and Grade 12 (UBPAS/trzub logo gold pendant)
- Marketing and advertising

Committees we are a part of: our Society and the Ukrainian Bilingual Program is represented on various other committees and organizations, for e.g: UBLA (Ukrainian Bilingual Language Association), Ukrainian Bilingual Administrators, UCC-APC (Ukrainian Canadian Congress-AB Provincial Council), Education committee with UCC-APC and at the University Level with ULEC, ULECON (Ukrainian Language Education Consortium, which includes Admin Ukrainian Language reps from AB Education, Sherwood Park, Vegreville, ULEC, Edmonton Catholic).

Goals for 2022-2023:

- Start to plan for upcoming 50th anniversary (Feb 10th, 2024).
- Work with our stakeholder organizations for funds to:
 - Purchase the last stock of the Eng/Ukr/Fr Richard Scarry dictionaries (A great tactile resource for our early learners).
 - Purchase icons annually for our grade 6 and 9 graduates. This would free up UBPA funds for other initiatives such as fieldtrips and student resources.
- Continue working to update to our bylaws (targeted completion prior to our 50th anniversary year).
- Continue our work with UBLA to coordinate funding support for Ukrainian language education programs in Alberta;

Respectfully submitted, Michelle Lea-Wilson (nee: Wujcik), ECS UBPA President

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Слава Ісусу Христу - Слава Навіки! Glory be to Jesus Christ - Glory be Forever!

Our aims, our goals and our commitment have not changed:

- Working with each parish priest as “his right hand.”
- Supporting programs of Catholic Faith’s values & principles.
- Developing, enriching & strengthening the religious & spiritual life in the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church.
- Preserving, developing & continuing our Ukrainian culture.

Since October 2021, we have had three Executive-Board meetings (both in-person and Zoom). The Alberta Branch of the UCBC held their in-person 40th Bi-annual Convention (Sept. 9-10, 2022) at Chateau Louis Conference Centre. The 27th Triennial Congress of the UCBC National was held in Edmonton at St. Basils Cultural Centre (Sept. 3 - Oct. 2, 2022).

The Alberta Branch of the Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood of Canada has continued its work in sustaining financial assistance to our Ukrainian organizations. Since our last bi-annual convention in October 2019 to date, the Alberta Branch of the UCBC has financially assisted Ukrainian organizations to the amount of just over \$130,000. In 2022, we have assisted in projects related to “Stand with Ukraine” in the amount of \$10,000 (CUF-Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal, shipping costs for packages with required supplies to Ukraine, No Youth Left Behind Project sponsored by the Canadian Society of Ukrainians from Former Yugoslavia (CSUFY), and St. Josaphat's Sadochok - funding support for spaces for children from Ukraine). Some of the organizations that we have provided funding to is the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Edmonton, Ridna Shkola, Ivan Franko School of Ukrainian Studies, UCC-APC, UCC National, Sisters Servant Mary Immaculate (Edmonton and Mundare), Friends of Camp St. Basil Society, Ukrainian Performing Arts Society (UPAS), St. Mary's Ukrainian Catholic Church Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Chipman, AB), St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church (St. Michael, AB) and the Ukrainian Canadian Social Services (Edmonton).

The book of Holodomor poems (I Lived There, Hungered, But Survived by Leonid Korownyk), which the Alberta Branch of the UCBC was one of the sponsors, was published in October 2022.

The processing of the UCBC archives, at the Bohdan Medwidsky Ukrainian Folklore Archives (BMUFA) at the University of Alberta – Kule Folklore Centre, continues into its third year.

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Our video Interview Project of Brothers continues into its second year. We are working with AUMA on a “program” Presented by the Alberta Branch of the Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood of Canada to be shown on Alberta Kontakt.

Слава Україні! Героям Слава! Glory to Ukraine! Glory to Her Heroes!

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Ukrainian Catholic Women's League of Canada – Edmonton Eparchy



Branch Report and Affiliates

The UCWLC, Edmonton Eparchy, has 17 branches: 7 in Edmonton, 1 each in Calgary, Red Deer and Camrose, as well 7 in rural locations, with a total membership of 602 plus 7 Honorary Life Members. We are affiliated with the Ukrainian Catholic Council – Edmonton Eparchy, Ukrainian Canadian Congress – Alberta Provincial Council, the World Union of Catholic Women's Organizations, the World Federation of Ukrainian Women's Council and the National UCWLC.

Eparchial Meeting Report

Eparchial Executive meetings are held monthly except during the summer. Branch Presidents are encouraged to attend and participate in plans and discussions.

Featured Projects

- Prayers for Ukraine and its people, as well donations to help Ukrainian victims of war.
- Work continues regarding the relocating of the UCWLC Museum.
- Subcommittee of the Relocation of Museum has completed the lesson for the grade three Social Studies Program – available soon.
- Celebrated 70th Anniversary of UCWLC Museum – theme: “That Old Sheepskin Coat.”
- Museum participated in UFest and Babas and Borshch
- Creation of coloring book to commemorate 130 years of Ukrainian Immigration/Settlement in Canada by the Museum Committee
- Visit the Eparchial UCWLC Website at ucwlc Edmonton.ca
- Held the 40th Eparchial Convention – theme: The Family: our Hope, our Future

Charitable Report

The Edmonton Eparchial UCWLC supported over 30 charities and causes. To name a few – Ukrainian Social Services, Sheptytsky Institute, four Sadochoks, Youth and Children's Camps, Holy Spirit Seminary, Bridge of Hope, UCC-APC, Marian Centre, Edmonton Prolife and others.

Main Goals

Work continues on revitalizing and strengthening our organizational base along with the branches. A goal for our Biennial Conference in 2023 is to develop leadership skills at all levels of the organization. To fulfill the two resolutions passed at the National Congress in 2022.

Respectfully submitted by:
Mary Ann Phillips, President
UCWLC, Eparchy of Edmonton

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Another challenging year

Despite war in the old country and continued pandemic restrictions here, we press ahead with organizational renewal.

Projects on hold

Last year ended with our successful partnership with UCC-APC and Lamont County whereby we sponsored the ceremony recording the signing of a twinning agreement between Lamont County and the Perehinske Hromada in Ukraine.

At the beginning of this year we were preoccupied with preparing for our casino, and paused all of our granting to other organizations until we could refill our coffers and so we could focus on the process of renewal we had started the previous year, with the intention of updating our society’s objectives and bylaws. However, worsening pandemic conditions at that time motivated us to move our casino date from the spring to December 9th and 10th. Positions are still available, please contact us if you are interested!

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Above, attending the rally against the Russian Invasion on March 4th, in Mundare.

Then came the devastating news of home in the ancestral homeland. We immediately voted to give a donation to the Canada-Ukraine Foundation and paused our plans to start fundraising in the Ukrainian community for our own projects, so that people can instead give to humanitarian relief projects.

Despite having no new casino money and no new fundraising, we still managed to participate and be present in the community as much as possible.



Left, our President at the Internment Monument at Castle Mountain near Banff.

Our president and past president attended the Babas and Borshch Festival in Lamont and distributed many copies of our history and genealogical books and signed up dozens of new members.

Our secretary was able to represent us in Grande Prairie at an unveiling of a new monument to Ukrainian-Canadian history during the First World War, including plaques honouring Ukrainian-Canadian soldiers and commemorating the history of Ukrainian internees. We were happy to have worked with the Canadian Motorcycle Tourism Association as they continue to develop the Veterans Memorial Gardens & Interpretive Centre in Grande Prairie.

We also made an appearance at the Ukrainian flag raising ceremony at the Alberta Legislature Grounds on Ukrainian-Canadian Heritage Day.

We have the honour of being able to extend our congratulations to our past president, Jaroslaw Balan, on receiving the Ukrainian Canadian Congress's prestigious Taras Shevchenko Medal for his career of academic work at the Canadian Institute of Ukrainian Studies at the University of Alberta in Edmonton. Вітаємо, Ярославе!

Now we are preparing for a much-delayed annual general meeting, which will elect a new board on November 7th, at 7:30 p.m. via Zoom. Next is our casino on December 9th and 10th at Century Casino in Edmonton.

Please visit ukrainianpioneers.ca or facebook.com/ukrainianpioneers, email ukrainianpioneers@gmail.com or call 587-336-9583 for more information and join us in renewing this 81 year-old organization as we look to find new ways to share Ukrainian history and culture with Albertans.

Kevin Baron, President



Ukrainian Resource and Development Centre (URDC)



Since the beginning of the Russian genocidal war, the Ukrainian Resource and Development Centre (URDC) at MacEwan University became a hub for students, faculty, and staff to provide information, develop resources and keep the University community engaged and focused on Ukraine.

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For 35 years, URDC has developed and carried out provincial, national and international educational and community projects, connecting Canadian and Ukrainian academics and practitioners. URDC lead and supported numerous initiatives, including weekly

campus forums, work with various stakeholders, development of resources, joint online course developments and research studies with Ukrainian partners. As part of the Canada Ukraine Model United Nations project, URDC supported the Ukraine team to participate in the world largest Model UN simulation in New York, bringing the Voice of Ukrainian Resilience to the 4,000-student conference. MacEwan is sponsoring students from partner universities by having their tuition and accommodation covered. URDC, thanks to generous donation from the Ukrainian Foundation for College Education, offered financial bursaries to 20 students from Ukraine. In October, URDC hosted a Visiting Scholar from the National University of Kyiv Mohyla Academy.

URDC brought MacEwan and community educational experts to offer free English classes, when the urgency was identified. When laptops were needed, MacEwan university donated 45+ computers to the Ukrainian Canadian Social Services. When lack of information resources for newcomers became apparent, URDC provided support to UCC-APC to develop a website, as well as and developed the Ukrainian English Language Guide.

Now when the world shows signs of Ukraine fatigue, URDC's mission is to keep attention on the war and the human suffering inflicted on the Ukrainian people. Cultural and art events, such as *Be Brave Like Ukraine* poster exhibit and *Give Me Tomorrow* video art installation, a Ukrainian cooking show and *Food and Identity* talk aim to engage MacEwan and the wider community. Flying the Ukrainian flag at MacEwan and the Walk to the Legislature on September 7 was an act of solidarity with Ukraine and URDC's way of celebration of the Ukrainian Canadian Heritage Day.

MacEwan's Faculty of Fine Arts and Communications donated over \$10,000 in support of humanitarian aid for Ukraine. URDC marked its 35th anniversary with a special announcement of the launch of the *Gene Zwozdesky Artist in Residence Program* at MacEwan, as well as the Ukraine fundraising concert by John Stetch. It is about WHAT and HOW we work, with dignity, respect and humility. It is never a one-person job. It is always a team of passionate caring individuals that makes incredible things happen.



Ukrainian Women's Association of Canada – Alberta Provincial Executive (UWAC-APE)



Highlights of UWAC-APE

Due to the restrictions of the Covid-19 Pandemic, the UWAC-APE has been largely inactive since 2019 but even so, did financially support the UOCC Western Eparchy, University of Alberta for Ukrainian Language Scholarships, UCC-APC for retrieval of UCAMA archives and the Ukrainian Museum of Canada. The Executive remains the same. Active branches currently include Calgary, Calmar, Edmonton (five branches), Lac La Biche, Smoky Lake and Two Hills.

While many on-going annual events were cancelled due to provincial health protocols during the pandemic, the Alberta branches under our umbrella are active once again and have reported the following activities: financial support to the Canada Ukraine Foundation, the Orthodox Church of Ukraine, UOC Western Eparchy, UCC-APC, as well as donations of clothing, furniture, temporary housing, gift cards, and travel vouchers to incoming Ukrainian families to Alberta including Ukrainian Orthodox camp registration fees to the children.

We extend our wishes for good health and safety to all members of the Ukrainian Canadian Congress – Alberta Provincial Council.

Betty Corlett, Acting Chair

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