INTERNATIONAL HOLODOMOR REMEMBRANCE FLAME TRAVELS THROUGH ALBERTA

On the initiative of the International Coordinating committee Ukrainian World Congress, Ukraine’s Foreign Ministry has organized the journey of an International Remembrance Flame designed to raise awareness of the Holodomor on the occasion of the 75th anniversary. The Flame began its journey in Australia, and will end its journey in Ukraine in November of this year.

In Canada, the Flame was delivered to Toronto on April 18, immediately prior to the opening of the exhibit Holodomor: Genocide by Famine at Toronto’s City Hall.

The Flame arrived in Alberta on April 30, and commemorative ceremonies took place in Vegreville, Red Deer, Calgary and Edmonton.

VEGREVILLE

Despite the rain about 150 people in Vegreville welcomed the Holodomor Flame at its’ first stop in Alberta. Holodomor survivor Stefan Horlatsch was brought to the giant Pysanka site by fire truck and with an RCMP escort. There he passed the Flame to youth members who lit candles, symbolically passing the message about the Holodomor to the next generation.

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ПРЕЗИДЕНТ УКРАЇНИ УСПІШНО ЗАВЕРШИВ ВІЗИТ ДО КАНАДИ

Президент України Віктор Ющенко перебував у Канаді з державним візитом протягом 26-28 травня. Завдяки співпраці Посольства України в Канаді та Конґресу Українців Канади, Президент відвідував Оттаву, Вінніпег та Торонто під час триденного візиту.

Прибувши в Канаду, відбулася офіційна церемонія зустрічі Президента та Генерал-губернатора Канади пані Мікаель Жан. Пізніше, Президент зустрівся з Прем’єр-міністром Канади Стівеном Гарпером, де обговорили справи розвитку українсько-канадського партнерства, енергетичного співробітництва, гуманітарну співпрацю, життя української громади в Канаді, визнання Голодомору 1932-1933 років геноцидом українського народу. Також відбулися двосторонні переговори між українською делегацією та канадськими міністрями.

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EXCITING STATE VISIT TO CANADA BY PRESIDENT YUSHCHENKO

His Excellency Victor Yushchenko, President of Ukraine, visited Canada on his first State Visit May 26 to 28. The President visited Ottawa, Winnipeg and Toronto during his stay, coordinated by Ukraine's Embassy in Canada and the Ukrainian Canadian Congress.

Upon arriving in Canada, the President was officially welcomed by Her Excellency the Right Honourable Michaeille Jean and UCC National President Paul Grod at Rideau Hall. Later, he met with Prime Minister Stephen Harper to discuss issues such as Ukraine-Canada relations, energy cooperation, humanitarian aid, the Ukrainian Canadian community, and the recognition of the 1932-33 Holodomor as genocide. The President's delegation also held talks with Canadian counterparts.

At a very rare joint session of the House of Commons and the Senate, Victor Yushchenko addressed Parliament, receiving several standing ovations. Yushchenko and Harper also signed an agreement ensuring the continued development of relations between the two nations.

Still in Ottawa, the President awarded the Order of King Yaroslav the Wise to two Canadians of Ukrainian descent: Honourable Senator Raynell Andreychuk and MP Boris Wrzesnewskyj. The Order of Merit, 3rd class was also awarded to various community members including Alberta's own Radomir Bilash, Ihor Bohdan, Andrew Hladyshevsky Q.C., Dr. Peter Kule, and Dr. Bohdan Medwidsky.

Later, Yushchenko took part in the International Holodomor Remembrance Flame ceremony on the steps of Parliament Hill, where he spoke of the importance of bringing to light the historical truth of this tragedy. The day concluded with a State Dinner hosted by Governor-General Jean in the President and First Lady Katherine Yushchenko's honour.

In Winnipeg, the President met with Manitoba Premier Gary Doer, and placed flowers at the Taras Shevchenko monument. He also held a community town hall meeting and took part in talks spearheading the development of the Canadian Human Rights Museum in Winnipeg. At a Convocation ceremony at the University of Winnipeg, Yushchenko was awarded an Honourary Doctorate of Laws from the University Senate.

Having left Winnipeg for Toronto, the Ukrainian President met with representatives of the Ukrainian-Canadian community, where he announced plans for the opening of a Consulate of Ukraine in Edmonton this June. At a business-forum hosted by the Canada-Ukraine Chamber of Commerce and subsequent lunch with the Economic Club of Toronto, Yushchenko encouraged Canadian businesses to invest in Ukraine.

President Yushchenko concluded the successful State Visit satisfied with its outcomes, and emphasized the importance of Ukraine and Canada's partnership.

The Order For Merit originates from what was the first decoration of independent Ukraine. The Order For Merit is awarded to citizens of Ukraine and foreign countries for distinguished personal achievements in many spheres of social activities.

Photo: Albertan recipients of the Order for Merit 3rd class: Radomir Bilash, Dr. Peter Kule, Dr. Bohdan Medwidsky, Andrew Hladyshevsky Q.C. Missing from photo: Ihor Bohdan.
UKRAINIAN DAY!

Sunday, August 10, 2008

Join us in a celebration of our Ukrainian roots and heritage at Ukrainian Day 2008 at the Ukrainian Cultural Heritage Village!

This year Ukrainian Day will feature annual highlights such as church services, tours of the historic site, a Taste of Ukraine food festival, and an exciting cultural concert on the bandshell stage.

New events this year include interactive craft displays, old-fashioned games, and a chance to kick up your heels and dance!

Check our website www.uccab.ca for updates on Ukrainian Day.

Take the opportunity to promote your event or service to the ever-increasing number of festival visitors in the Ukrainian Day Souvenir Booklet that will be distributed free to all in attendance.

Reserve your advertising space by June 20 and provide your advertising material by July 7. For more information, please call 780-414-1624.

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ПРЕЗИДЕНТ УКРАЇНИ УСПІШНО ЗАВЕРШИВ ВІЗИТ ДО КАНАДИ

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На спільному засіданні Сенату і Палати громад Парламенту Канади, Віктор Ющенко мав честь виступити з промовою, яка була підтримана теплими оплесками присутніх. В. Ющенко та С. Гарпер підтвердили відданість розвитку партнерства між Україною та Канадою підписанням Спільної заяви.

Далі в Оттаві, Глава держави вручив Ордени князя Ярослава Мудрого п’ятого ступеня двом канадцям українського походження: пані сенатору Райнел Андрейчук та панові Борису Вжесневському. Президент також вручив Орден Обслуги, тертий ступінь різним громадянам, включаючи з Альберти: Радомир Білаш, Ігор Богдан, Андрій Гладишевський, Др. Петро Куль, і Др. Богдан Медвідський. Пізніше, В. Ющенко брав участь у міжнародній канадській акції «Незагасима свічка» на головній площі Парламенту Канади, де наголосив важливість досягнення історичної правди про цю трагедію. Скінчився день Державним обідом на честь Президента України і пані Катерини Ющенко від імені Генерал-губернатора Канади пані М. Жан.

У Вінніпезі Президент провів зустріч з Прем’єром провінції Манітоба та поклав квіти до пам’ятника Т. Шевченку. Також провів зустріч з українською громадою та з ініціативною групою зі створення музею з прав людини у м. Вінніпець. На церемонії конвокації Вінніпегського університету Віктору Ющенкові присвоено звання Почесного доктора права від імені Сенату Університету.

Відбувши із Вінніпегу до Торонто, Президент провів зустріч з українською діаспорою, де проголосив що Україна планує відкрити Генеральне консульство в місті Едмонтон у червні цього року. На бізнес-форумі Канадсько-Української Торгової Палати у Торонто Президент України закликав Канадський бізнес інвестувати в Україну.

Президент завершив успішний Державний візит до Канади задоволений підсумками, підкресливши, що Канада для України – важливий партнер.
HOLODOMOR COMMEMORATION - 2008 YOUTH WRITING COMPETITION

The Ukrainian Canadian Congress, Toronto Branch and the Famine-Genocide Commemorative Committee, have announced a unique approach to engaging youth in Holodomor awareness and education. Students between the ages of 14 and 19 are invited to write about the Ukrainian famine-genocide of 1932-1933. The program was last held in 2003 (for the 70th Anniversary commemoration) when a student from Alberta won!!

Based on the historical facts of the Holodomor, students may write in any of the following categories: historical short fiction, historical research essay, newspaper article, newspaper editorial, poetry or interview/biography of a survivor.

Submissions may be in English or Ukrainian and will be judged by a panel of educators specializing in history.

Monetary prizes will be awarded for the first ($500), second ($300) and third ($200) place entries. The first three prizes are sponsored by the Prometheus Foundation. Ten honourable mentions at $50 each are sponsored by the Ukrainian Canadian Congress, Toronto Branch ($250) and by the Ukrainian Canadian Professional and Business Association ($250).

The deadline for submissions is June 30, 2008.

Copies of the writing competition rules and entry form may be obtained from the Famine-Genocide web site at www.faminegenocide.com.

In recognition of the 75th anniversary of Ukraine's Great Famine, the Holodomor, the Ukrainian Canadian Civil Liberties Foundation (UCCLF) has announced two separate writing competitions for Canadian students:

1. Valued at $500, the High School Civil Liberties Award will be given to a high school student who submits a research essay based on a Holodomor theme. The winning essay will be determined by a selection committee consisting of Ukrainian Canadian community members. Judging will be based solely on the quality of essay content. Submission deadline has been set for 30 June 2008.

2. The Civil Liberties Opinion-Editorial Award will be given to a high school or post-secondary student whose Holodomor-based opinion-editorial will appear in a major Canadian newspaper prior to 1 October 2008. The value of this award has been set at $1,000; however, this is subject to change in the event that an op-ed from more than one student appears in a major Canadian newspaper.

More detailed information can be obtained by emailing the Ukrainian Canadian Civil Liberties Foundation at UCCLF@hotmail.com.

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Ukrainian Canadian Archives and Museum (UCAMA)
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Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood of Edmonton - Edmonton Eparchy
Братство Українців Католиків Канади - Едмонтонська епархія

ВІДМІЧЕННЯ ГОЛОДОМОРУ
КОНКУРС ТВОРІВ – 2008

Конгрес Українців Канади – Відділ Торонто і Комітет по Відзначення Голодомору, зголосили конкурс творів про Голодомор-генцид 1932-1933 рр. в Україні щоб дати можливість учасникам висловитись про ці події з метою піднесення громадської обізнаності з цього питання. Учасники конкурсу повинні мати від 14-19 років і бути мешканцями Канади.

Спираючись на історичні факти про Голодомор 1932-1933 рр. в Україні, студенти можуть вибрати будь-яку з цих категорій: короткий історичний твір, історично-дослідницьке есе, газетна стаття, редакційна стаття, вірш, або інтерв'ю/біографія особи, яка пережила Голодомор.

Твори можуть бути написані українською або англійською мовою і їх будуть судити комітет учителів історії.

Грошеві нагороди спонсорує Фундація «Прометей» на перше ($500), друге ($300) та третє ($200) місце. Також є десять заохочувальні нагороди по $50 які спонсорували Конгрес Українців Канади, Відділ Торонто ($250) і Українсько-Канадське Товариство Професіоналів і Підприємців ($250).

Термін подачі – до 30 червня, 2008 р.

GOVERNMENT OF CANADA ANNOUNCES RECOGNITION OF UKRAINIAN-CANADIAN WARTIME EXPERIENCES - УРЯД КАНАДИ СПРИЯЄ ВИЗНАННЯ ІНТЕРНУВАННЯ УКРАЇНЦІВ В КАНДАЇ

On May 9, 2008, the Honourable Jason Kenney, Secretary of State (Multiculturalism and Canadian Identity), signed, on behalf of the Government of Canada, a funding agreement of $10 million with the Ukrainian Canadian Foundation of Taras Shevchenko. This agreement is to establish an endowment fund to support initiatives related to the First World War internment experience that predominantly affected the Ukrainian and other East European ethnic communities in Canada.

“I believe this approach will allow all communities affected by internment during the First World War to undertake meaningful commemorative and educational activities to ensure that the internment experience is shared and understood by Canadians, and that a sense of closure can be achieved,” said Secretary of State Kenney. “The Government believes that it is important for all Canadians to understand our history, including the more difficult periods.”

The Program will fund community-based projects that will allow communities affected by Canadian wartime measures and immigration restrictions to have their experiences acknowledged in a way that is meaningful to them. Eligible projects could include monuments, commemorative plaques, educational material, and exhibits.

“The Ukrainian Canadian community is grateful to all those Parliamentarians who supported the establishment of a meaningful endowment as symbolic restitution for the economic losses of the internees,” said Paul Grod, President Ukrainian Canadian Congress.

HAVING FUN WITH LANGUAGE

May 17 - October 13 2008
Ukrainian Cultural Heritage Village
www.tprc.alberta.ca/uchv

A playful exhibit for the entire family highlighting folk tales and modern verse put to music from the Kazka Production series of Ukrainian/English bilingual books. Featuring original illustrations of “bugs, beetles and mosquitos” and other characters by Larisa Sembaliuk Cheladyn.

ART WORKSHOPS
Instructor: Larisa Sembaliuk Cheladyn

How to Illustrate with Watercolour
Dates: October 4 (9:30am to 4:30pm)
Fee: $70/day. For supplies - see website or obtain registration package

For grades K to 12
Dates Available: September - 29, 30; October - 1, 2, 3; and November - 3, 4, 5, 6, 7
All workshops run 10am - 2 pm (with a break for lunch).
Supplies provided.
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VEGREVILLE

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Organized locally by Councillor Natalia Toroshenko, the event was also attended by the Honourable Gene Zwozdesky who spoke on behalf of the Government of Alberta. Mayor Richard Coleman of Vegreville also greeted the crowd. The next day Mr. Horlatsch took the Flame to schools in Vegreville where he spoke to over 150 students.

RED DEER

The Remembrance Flame was honored in Red Deer on May 2, 2008 at Notre Dame Catholic High School. Father Julian Bilyj opened with a prayer for the victims, which was broadcast throughout the school.

Over 150 students, teachers and guests gathered to hear of the famine – genocide of 1932-33. Students who had Social Studies in that block attended and for most, this was the first time they had heard of this tragic event. After an introduction of this tragedy, Olena Fedyna spoke on behalf of the youth and accepted the Flame from Mr. Horlatsch. He spoke briefly and students had an opportunity to ask the many questions they had. The petition was circulated for the Government of Canada to recognize the Holodomor, and willingly signed by those present. Representatives from the Walk for Darfur were also present since their path crossed ours in Red Deer. The two events linked the past and present genocides.

A summary of this event was broadcast on radio, television and was documented in the Red Deer Advocate.

CALGARY

The Remembrance Flame arrived in Calgary on May 2, 2008. This well-attended event began with a procession from St. Vladimir’s Ukrainian Orthodox Parish and was followed by a short memorial service near the monument commemorating those who died during the famine of 1932-33 in Ukraine.

Speakers at the event included Mike Ilnycky, UCC-Calgary President, representatives of all three levels of government, and the Ukrainian Consul General from Toronto. Also present were members of the Ukrainian community in Calgary, Holodomor survivor Stefan Horlatsch and UCC National President Paul Grod.

EDMONTON

On the morning of May 3, the Remembrance Flame was honored in Edmonton. The event took place on the steps of the Alberta Legislature and was attended by both Premier Stelmach and Mayor Mandel as well as local MLA’s and MP’s.

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ВІДМІЧЕННЯ ГОЛОДОМОРУ - МІЖНАРОДНА НЕЗГАСИМА СВІЧКА В АЛЬБЕРТІ

За ініціативою Комітету по Відміченню Голодомору Світового Конгресу Українців, Міністерство Закордонних Справ України організувало естафету Міжнародної Незгасимої Свічки з метою поширення правди про Голодомор з нагоди його 75-ої річниці. Цей смолоскип започаткував свою подорож в Австралії, і на завершення прибуде в Україну у листопаді цього року.

Свічка прибула до Канади в Toronto 18 квітня. Церемонія відбулася перед офіційним відкриттям виставки Голодомор: Геноцид Голодом у міській ратуші Toronto.

Незгасима свічка прибула до Альберти 30 квітня, і церемонії відбулися в слідуючих містах: Вегревіль, Ред Дір, Калгари, Едмонтон.

Photos, clockwise, from top left: Premier Stelmach and Stefan Horlatsch lighting the candle of a Ukrainian student in Edmonton; Mayor Mandel of Edmonton and Stefan Horlatsch lighting the candles of Holodomor survivors on the steps of the Alberta legislature in Edmonton; Olena Fedyna holding the flame as Stefan Horlatsch speaks to students at Notre Dame High School in Red Deer; UCC-Calgary President Mike Ilnycky speaking at the Remembrance Flame event in Calgary; procession leaving the church service in Calgary; Stefan Horlatsch with two RCMP officers in front of the pysanka in Vegreville.

Фотографії від самого ліва: Стефан Горлач перед писанкою в Вегревіль; Прем'єр Стельмах і Стефан Горлач світять свічку студентки рідної школи в Едмонтоні; Стефан Мендел, майор Едмонтону і Стефан Горлач світять свічки свідків Голодомору в Едмонтоні; Олена Федина тримає незгасиму свічку як Стефан Горлач розповідає учням гімназії Нотре Дам про Голодомор у Ред Дір; Голова КУК, бідділ Калгари; Михайло Ільницький має промову в Калгари; процесія виходить з церкви в Калгари.
UKRAINIAN BILINGUAL EDUCATION PROGRAM GOES INTERNATIONAL

Although Ukrainian Bilingual Education has been available in Alberta for years, a recent focus has been on internationalizing the program. One result of these consultations was the twinning of schools in Alberta and Ukraine. Building upon this development in March 2008 students from Balwin and M.E. Lazerte Schools in Edmonton traveled to Ukraine as the inaugural step in the development of a Student Exchange Program (SEP). This exchange was a resounding success. While in Lviv, the visiting students stayed with families. This trip wasn't just a tour, it was an educational exchange, exchange of language and culture. Balwin and M.E. Lazerte students attended classes at the Classical Gymnasium (a specialized school in Ukraine), visited different schools, did sightseeing, and brought presents for orphanages.

Now, in order to build upon this initial success, the organizers of SEP are looking to complete the second phase of the program; hosting students from Ukraine in a reciprocal exchange. A mutual exchange program is essential to maintain the relationship that has carefully been built up with Ukraine. All students in the Ukrainian Bilingual Program, not just those who are able to travel to Ukraine will be able to meet and interact with visiting students from Ukraine. They will experience the language as it is spoken today in Ukraine and share insights into the current Cultural realities of Ukrainian life.

However the disparate economic realities of the two countries make it apparent that the Canadian side will have to take the lead in organizing funding for this project. The harsh reality is that Ukraine cannot currently afford to fund their exchange program on an equal footing with Canada.

To facilitate funding a committee of UBLA parents and school personnel has been setup, with a goal to fundraise for the entire program. We want to bring 22 students, one teacher and the Principal of the Ivan Franko Classical Gymnasium to Alberta in October 2008, and sending a second contingent of Canadian students, parents and teachers to Ukraine in March/April 2009. If you would like to learn more about the program or help raise funds to bring Ukrainian students to Canada please contact Greg Hayduk at (780) 456-7990.
HETMAN AWARDS NOMINATIONS

The Hetman Awards were established by the UCC-APC to recognize outstanding Albertan volunteer leaders who have made significant contributions to the life of the Ukrainian Canadian community.

These awards are presented annually in three categories: Youth, Adult, and Senior. One award annually may be presented posthumously. Presentations will be held at the Annual Hetman Gala on Sunday, October 5, 2008 at the Ukrainian Youth Unity Complex (9615 - 153 Avenue, Edmonton).

Each recipient is recognized symbolically in the name of Ukraine's Hetmans, who were outstanding leaders in their time, that fought for the preservation of their country's culture and independence.

NOMINATION forms can be downloaded from our website at www.uccab.ca/HetmanBanquet, or obtained through our Board Members.

SASKATCHEWAN GOVERNMENT RECOGNIZES HOLODOMOR AS GENOCIDE

The UCC-APC would like to congratulate the province of Saskatchewan for being the first province in Canada to recognize the Ukrainian famine of 1932-33 as an act of genocide.

14 травня, 2008 р. Саскачеван стала перша провінція в Канаді яка призначує Голодомор 1932-1933 рр. як ґеноцид.

Bill No. 40, The Ukrainian Famine and Genocide (Holodomor) Memorial Day Act. received Royal Assent on May 14, 2008. The Act declares the fourth Saturday in November of each year as "Ukrainian Famine and Genocide (Holodomor) Memorial Day" for the purposes of "recognizing the Ukrainian Famine and Genocide (Holodomor) of 1932-33 and of reflecting on the lessons to be learned from that event."

The entire text of the Bill can be found on the website of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan at http://www.legassembly.sk.ca/bills/default.htm.

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UCC WELCOMES PASSAGE OF HISTORIC LEGISLATION ACKNOWLEDGING HOLODOMOR AS GENOCIDE

On May 28, 2008 both the House of Commons and the Senate of Canada passed Bill C-459 An Act to establish a Ukrainian Famine and Genocide ("Holodomor") Memorial Day and to recognize the Ukrainian Famine in 1932-33 as an act of genocide. The Bill received Royal Assent on May 29, 2008.

29 травня, 2008 р., уряд Канади зазначило день вшанування Голодомору в Канаді і називало український Голодомор 1932-1933рр. геноцидом.

This Bill was the initiative of Manitoba Member of Parliament James Bezan (Selkirk-Interlake). With the support of all parties, he successfully moved that his Private Members Bill C-459 be passed at all stages. In a show of solidarity, Ontario MP Borys Wrzesnewskyj (Etobicoke Centre) supported the move and ensured that the Bill would be passed at all stages. Senator Raynell Andreychuk subsequently sponsored the Bill in the Senate.

Ukrainian Canadian Congress National President Paul Grod stated, “I would like to congratulate Mr. Bezan for his efforts in bringing this Bill about. The truth about the Holodomor as genocide has been suppressed for too long and I am proud that Canada is taking the lead in rectifying this. I would also like to thank Borys Wrzesnewskyj for being a stalwart supporter of the importance of having Canada’s Parliament acknowledge the genocide which took place in Ukraine in 1932-33. The Ukrainian Canadian community also extends its thanks to Prime Minister Stephen Harper for supporting the Bill along with the other party leaders, Hon. Stephan Dion, Hon. Jack Layton and Gilles Duceppe for ensuring that this Bill passed while the President of Ukraine, Victor Yushchenko, was in Canada. Secretary of State Jason Kenney also played a leading role in our efforts.”

Mr. Grod continued, “The next step is for Canada to support the efforts of the Government of Ukraine to have the General Assembly of the United Nations pass a resolution condemning the Holodomor as genocide against the Ukrainian people.”

The Ukrainian Canadian Congress, which is the national coordinating body for Canada’s 1.2 million Canadians of Ukrainian descent, has worked tirelessly to educate Canadians about the true nature of the Holodomor in Ukraine, when in the years 1932-33 millions of Ukrainians perished through a famine deliberately set in motion by the actions of the Soviet regime.

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**JUNE / ЧЕРВЕНЬ**

14 Sat @ 6:00 PM - Korinnya's 4th Annual Kubasa Competition - Calgary. The Korinnya Ukrainian Folk Ensemble presents its 4th annual Kubasa Competition; an evening event showcasing local Ukrainian music, culture and smoked meat. Tickets only available in advance. Purchase your tickets from Korinnya members, call 403-239-8643 or e-mail info@korinnya.com. The 2008 Korinnya Kubasa Competition will be held at Calgary’s St. Vladimir’s Center, just off of Edmonton Trail South. www.korinnya.com

15 Sun @ 1:30 PM - Volya! Auditions - Edmonton. Dance with Volya! - an internationally acclaimed Ukrainian dance ensemble in Edmonton, Alberta. Auditions for dancers ages 16+ will be held at the Alberta Ballet studios on Sunday, June 15, 2008. Doors: 1:30PM Audition: 2:00PM. Contact info@volya.org or 416-8041 for more information. www.volya.org

18 Wed @ 6:00 PM - Kupalo Auditions - Edmonton. Kupalo is a dynamic young performing group under the artistic direction of Shelley Borowski. Auditions for Senior Kupalo (ages 14+) and Junior Kupalo (ages 12 - 18 years) will be held at St. Basil's Community Centre from 6-8 PM. Contact Lesia (434-6671) or Carol (439-4522) for more information.


20 Fri @ 7:30 PM - The Best of Shumka II - Edmonton. For one night only, enjoy a new family-friendly show featuring a variety of Shumka's latest dance pieces. www.shumka.com

**JULY/ЛІПЕНЬ**

4-6 Fri-Sun - Ukrainian Pysanka Festival - Vegreville. Artists attending include KALABAI Ukrainian Fusion, Burya, Ron Cahute & Ihor Bachynsky aswell as Our Canadian idol 2 finalist Theresa Sokyrka from Sask. Visit www.vegrevillefestival.ca for more information.

**AUGUST/СЕРПЕНЬ**

10 Sun @ 10:00 AM - Ukrainian Day Festival - Ukrainian Cultural Heritage Village. Visit www.ucchv.ca and www.culture.alberta.ca/ucchv for more information.

24 Sun @ 10:00 AM - Friends Ukrainian Music Festival - Ukrainian Cultural Heritage Village. There's musical magic at this event featuring an incredible gathering of some of the region's greatest Ukrainian musicians. This stellar event encompasses an abundance of entertainment, cultural displays and delicious foods. Escape from daily modern life and enjoy old fashioned historic activities and wagon rides in the Historic Village. Visit www.culture.alberta.ca/ucchv for more information.

24 Sun @ 2:30 PM - Ukrainian Independence Day - Join us in our annual Ukrainian Independence Day concert and barbeque at the Ukrainian Youth Unity Complex.

**SEPTEMBER/ВЕРЕСЕНЬ**

7 Sun @ 9:30 AM - Harvest of the Past and A Taste of Heritage Food Festival - Ukrainian Cultural Heritage Village. Take in the nostalgic harvest activities and historic demonstrations. Purchase specialty food items & crafts, watch demonstrations, and listen to all-day musical entertainment. Visit www.culture.alberta.ca/ucchv for more information.

27 Sat - Плащ - Plast Edmonton 60th Anniversary Banquet - Edmonton. Email plast60@gmail.com for more information.

**OCTOBER/ЖОВТЕНЬ**

4 Sat from 9:30-4:30 - How to Illustrate with Watercolour - Instructor: Larisa Sembaliuk Cheladyn at the Ukrainian Cultural Heritage Village. Fee: $70 Registration: 780-662-3855 x 1112

5 Sun - 10th Annual Hetman Awards Banquet - Edmonton. The Annual Hetman Awards are dedicated to the celebration of all volunteers who have chosen to give their time, effort and expertise in order to keep our Ukrainian Canadian community in Alberta strong, vibrant and active. The UCC-APC welcomes nominations from any organization or group of individuals in Alberta. All award recipients will be publicly honoured at the Annual Hetman Awards Gala. Visit www.uccab.ca/HetmanBanquet/ for more information.

**NOVEMBER / ЛИСТОПАД**

8 Sat - Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood of Canada - Edmonton Eparchy - 75th Anniversary Banquet.

22 Sat @ noon - Holodomor Commemoration at Edmonton City Hall - Edmonton. This day, Ukrainians, together will all mankind, honour the memory of our brothers and sisters, who became innocent victims of the Stalinist authoritarian regime.

**JANUARY/СІЧЕНЬ**

11 Sun @ 2:30 PM - Ukrainian Christmas Carol Concert - Edmonton. The Ukrainian Music Society of Alberta presents ‘Ukrainian Christmas Carol Concert’ at McDougall United Church, 10025-101 St. For further information call 469-4890

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**Click on the HOLODOMOR icon on the UCC-APC website for more information or links to other Holodomor - Genocide sites.**

**Show what Ukrainian Albertans are doing this year to commemorate this event - submit your community event information on our dedicated Holodomor web-page at [www.uccab.ca](http://www.uccab.ca)**