

Monday, January 30, 2023

A full week of events at MacEwan University to focus on Ukrainian culture and its people

Edmonton – MacEwan University's <u>Ukrainian Resource and Development Centre</u> (URDC) invites you to explore Ukraine through a variety of activities from January 30 to February 4.

Ukraïna: From Adversity to Inspiration will feature an exhibit, a concert, a film screening, a lecture and even the launch of a new podcast, all geared towards helping people find out about what drives Ukrainians in their fight for democracy in Europe.

"Canadians are finding out about Ukraine and its people more than they ever have in the past, but the reason for that is heart-breaking," says Larisa Hayduk, the director of the URDC. "The Russian invasion has thrust Ukraine into the headlines on a daily basis for the last year. All the programming taking place at MacEwan this week will give you a chance to immerse yourself in modern Ukrainian culture and music. It will also help you understand the latest news out of Ukraine."

Some highlights of Ukraïna: From Adversity to Inspiration include :

Ukrainian Photo and Info Booth

January 30, 12 - 2 p.m. MacEwan International Office, Room 7-105, Building 7 Show your support for Ukraine and grab some cool giveaways! Organized in partnership with URDC and MacEwan International.

"How Do You Say You're OK in Ukrainian?" Poster Exhibition

January 30- February 4 Allard Hall Real-life chat conversations of Ukrainians affected by the Russian invasion have been translated into English and are on display.

Imagine Ukraine Podcast Launch

February 1, 12 - 2 p.m. Library Group Use Room, Building 6

Imagine Ukraine is a project created by two visiting Ukrainian students in collaboration with the Faculty of Fine Arts and Communications. The project has so far included interviews with five Edmontonians from various fields who share their thoughts about Ukraine and activism efforts.

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Masterclass by ShockolaD Ukrainian Band

February 2, 12 - 1:50 p.m. Betty Andrews Recital Hall, Allard Hall Masterclass for MacEwan Music Department students by one of the best Ukrainian jazz bands.

Ukrainian Documentary Film Screening: Don't Worry, The Doors Will Open

February 2, 3 - 4:30 p.m Room 6-238, Building 6. Screening of award-winning documentary, Don't Worry, The Doors Will Open.

From Security to Solidarity: Global Implications of the Russian-Ukrainian War

By Dr. Dmytro Sherengovsky & Dr. Halyna Protsyk of Ukrainian Catholic University

February 3, 10 - 11 a.m. Room 6-238, Building 6 Take a deeper dive into the Russian-Ukrainian war, global implications, and security challenges. (Lecturers to appear via Zoom)

Jazz Band from Ukraine: ShockolaD Fundraiser Concert

February 4, 7:30 - 8:45 p.m Betty Andrews Recital Hall, Allard Hall. One of the top Ukrainian bands is coming to Edmonton to give you an unforgettable musical experience in a European jazz festival atmosphere.

See the URDC events listing for more details.

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