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Mobile classroom teaching about Ukrainian genocide scheduled for Kingston stop

From 1932 to 1933, the Holodomor, a forced famine imposed by the Soviet regime, killed millions of Ukrainians. Today, Canada is home to many people of Ukrainian descent whose family members survived the Holodomor. Through the Holodomor National Awareness Tour, Canadians can learn about this tragedy, and reinforce within themselves the values of human rights, equality, and social justice.

The [Holodomor Mobile Classroom](#) (HMC) is coming to Kingston on July 18, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Kingston East Community Centre. This 42-foot recreational vehicle was converted into a state-of-the-art, digital, multimedia interactive classroom on wheels and has been to over 260 public events and engaged Holodomor 23,000 visitors.

“The Holodomor is a tragedy too often overlooked or outright unknown to Westerners,” said Jake Miller, Librarian, Adult Programming. “Learning about this event and its impact on the Ukrainian nation's relations with Russia is not only timely but essential to understanding their turbulent historical relationship. Knowledge can lead to understanding, understanding to empathy, and hopefully, empathy to peace.”

The Holodomor National Awareness Tour is a project of the Canada-Ukraine Foundation and its three partners, the Ukrainian Canadian Congress, the Holodomor Research and Education Consortium at the University of Alberta, and the Ukrainian Canadian Research and Documentation Centre in Toronto.

The Canada-Ukraine Foundation gratefully acknowledges the financial support of the Province of Ontario to educate students and the public about the effects and consequences of hate, bullying, discrimination, and intolerance through the lens of the Holodomor genocide, and to ensure the continuation of upholding the values of freedom and democracy in our society.

For more world history, attend 80 Years to the Day: The Dieppe Raid featuring Captain and Associate Professor Arthur Gullachsen. The event is on Aug. 19 from 1-2 p.m. at the Isabel Turner Branch. Registration is required at <https://calendar.kfpl.ca/event/6813922>.