

UKRAINIAN WOMEN IN SWITZERLAND ASSOCIATION

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Our Events

Mar 09

207th Birthday of Taras Shevchenko



The Ukrainian Women in Switzerland association commemorated the 207th birthday of T.Shevchenko. Owing to all those who contributed materials, the Association created a video with the poems and

paintings of Velykyi Kobzar. Read more in Ukrainian >

April 19

Meeting With The Ambassador About Big Dates



online During an meeting Ambassador between Artem Rybchenko and the Ukrainian community in Switzerland, the Association participated in discussions the 75th on anniversary of the resumption of the Ukrainian Youth Association's activities in the diaspora.

There were also discussed organizational matters on upcoming events, such as the 25th anniversary of the Constitution, 30th anniversary of Ukrainian Independence, and the "Crimean Platform" initiative. The participants conveyed their readiness to collaborate and coordinate towards this goal. **Read more in Ukrainian** >



May 20

Vyshyvanka Day 2021



behalf of the Ukrainian Switzerland Women in association, L.Nikolayeva N.Nakonechna participated in the celebration of Vyshyvanka Day on the initiative of Ambassador The A.Rvbchenko. Association the Ukrainian members and community recorded video greetings to 30th mark the anniversary of Ukraine's Independence. The founders of

the Association, L.Nikolayeva, N.Nakonechna, and K.Dashevska also participated in a <u>flash mob</u> organized by the Embassy of Ukraine in the Swiss Confederation, showcasing embroidery from various regions of Ukraine. <u>Read more in Ukrainian</u> >

June 16

#StopRussianAggression



The President of the Ukrainian Women in Switzerland association L.Nikolayeva participated in a demonstration to show support for Ukraine's territorial integrity and sovereignty and to condemn Russian aggression.

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June 19

25th Anniversary of The Constitution of Ukraine



The Ukrainian Women in Switzerland association organized an outdoor gathering to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Constitution of Ukraine. Over forty Ukrainians from French-speaking Switzerland and nearby regions participated in the event, where they cooked authentic

Ukrainian borscht together in Le Vallon de l'Allondon, located in the canton of Geneva. **Read more in Ukrainian** >

Oct 03

Ukrainian Diaspora Welcomes Emine Dzaparova



The Ukrainian diaspora in Switzerland had a meeting with the First Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine, Emine Dzaparova, the Ukraine's Ambassador, Artem Rybchenko, and the Permanent Mission of Ukraine in Geneva. The discussions revolved around the

activities of the Ukrainian diaspora, the "Crimean Platform", and the situation in the temporarily occupied territories of Ukraine. The meeting's key goal was to explore future cooperation between its participants. N.Nakonechna took part therein on behalf of the Association. **Read more in Ukrainian** >



Oct 04

General Assembly Meeting



The members of the Association gathered for an online meeting to address various organizational matters, such as admitting a new member to the Association,

Dr. Kateryna Bondar; representing the Association at the World Federation of Ukrainian Women's Organizations and representing the latter at the United Nations in Geneva. They also discussed planning upcoming events, such as celebration of Defenders and Defendresses of Ukraine Day.

Oct 09

Defenders and Defendresses of Ukraine Day



On Defenders and Defendresses of Ukraine Day, the Ukrainian Women in Switzerland association organized a gathering with the local Ukrainian community for a day of celebration in the Jura mountains. They combined their love for hiking with a picnic and boosting

the community spirit. It was a day filled with joy, and laughter. As they explored the mountain scenery, they shared stories and memories of their homeland. The event was a wonderful opportunity to celebrate their culture, connect with one another, and honor the brave individuals who defend Ukraine. **Read more in Ukrainian** >



Nov 09

The Radio Dictation of National Unity - 2021



A few members of the Ukrainian Women in Switzerland association participated in an online National Unity-2021 dictation which featured a text crafted by the renowned Ukrainian writer, Y.Andruhovych

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Dec 15

Ukrainian Evening in Lausanne



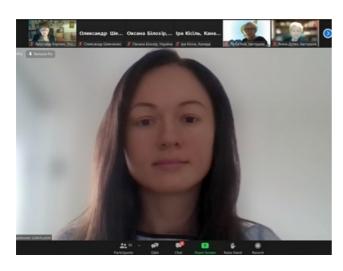
The Ukrainian Women in Switzerland association organized an event called the "Ukrainian evening in Lausanne" to celebrate three occasions: St. Andrew's Day, the second anniversary of the Association's founding, and the commemoration of the Ukrainian ballet dancer Serge Lifar.

The event was held on December 15, 2021, marking 35 years since Lifar's death. Guests had the opportunity to learn about the life of Lifar through the author of a trilogy of books about him, Olena Gural. Lifar was a student of the legendary Nizhynska, a star of the French Beaumond, and a friend of Chanel, Chagall, Dali, and Picasso. He saved the Grand Opera House during the fascist occupation of Paris, helped the Resistance, and tenderly loved his Ukraine until the end of his days. **Read more in Ukrainian** >



Dec 16

Joint Virtual Events With WFUWO



Kateryna Dashevska, co-founder of the Ukrainian Women in Switzerland association, actively participated in virtual events of the World Federation of Ukrainian Women's Organizations (WFUWO) focused on cooperation between the member organizations:

- The <u>round table</u> "The Role of the Ukrainian Women's Movement in the Diaspora towards the Restoration, and Preservation of the Ukraine's Independence" (held on November 14, 2021), where it was paid tribute to the <u>memory of Anna Kisil</u>, the former Chair of the WFUWO (2018-2020)
- The WFUWO's <u>annual meeting</u> (held on November 14 and 21, 2021), where they approved the <u>annual report for 2021</u>
- The <u>international conference</u> "Light that Destroys Darkness: The Warmth of the Soul Against Violence" (held on December 8 and 14, 2021)

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