



DALLAS PUBLIC LIBRARY

ORGANIZES EXHIBIT IN PARTNERSHIP WITH NORTH TEXAS HOLODOMOR COMMITTEE

September 16 thru November 9, 2018

J. Erik Jonsson Central Library, 4th Floor

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This year marks the 85th Anniversary of the **Ukrainian Genocide of 1932-1933**, known as the **HOLODOMOR**, an artificial famine ordered by Russian Dictator, Joseph Stalin. This brutal leader vowed to crush the Ukrainian resistance against Soviet collectivization, punish ideas of freedom and control all farmland. All grain was ordered sold beyond Ukraine's borders or stored in locked containers to rot and anyone caught with even one grain of wheat was killed.



Painting by Nina Marchenko

It is estimated that in just one year, **over 10 million lives were lost**, with the highest losses in eastern Ukraine. This is a death rate of 34,000 per day of men, women and children. To avoid international attention and potential intervention, Russia sealed the borders of Ukraine, launched propaganda campaigns; staged towns filled with food and healthy actors. Journalists from around the world were invited to visit fake cities to "see for themselves" that people were not starving and "life was good in Ukraine". Once known as the "breadbasket of Europe" for feeding billions from their fertile soil, Ukraine was left helpless, without intervention from any of their former benefactors.



Final Days of Starving Family

Holodomor originates from a Ukrainian word with two parts: "Holod" meaning starvation and "Moryty" meaning to kill. It was one of the greatest mass murders in history where the victims suffered one of the most painful deaths in existence. Despite this infamy, Holodomor still has not been added to history books and so few know what horror was imposed. Even worse, to this day, Russia denies it ever existed.

In 1991, the Soviet Union collapsed, Ukraine declared their independence, and for the first time, was able to freely mourn their forgotten brethren. As KGB files were opened, further documentation confirmed the Holodomor. Ukraine and other Ukrainian settlements around the world built memorials, wrote books, produced documentaries and preserved eyewitness accounts of the survivors for future generations.



Holodomor Memorial in Kyiv, Ukraine

The North Texas Holodomor Committee has prepared the first ever exhibit in North Texas about the Ukrainian Genocide. Two large exhibit galleries and various display cases on the 4th Floor of the Library will hold factual pictures, maps and documentation on the Holodomor.

On **September 23, 2018 at 2 PM**, a traditional commemoration to honor the victims of the Holodomor will be on the 4th floor with media and local dignitaries invited. Please bring a canned good for NTFB.

Furthermore, a series of film documentaries on the Holodomor will be available for viewing on the following dates and location. Canned goods will be collected during the film presentations, please be generous.

To Learn More, Visit: www.uast.org/Holodomor

Location: J. Erik Jonsson Central Library, Shirley Pollock Showcases, 4th Floor, 1515 Young Street, Dallas

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Title</u>
September 22 2 – 4 PM	Bitter Harvest (103 Min) (Viewing of the film will be in the Auditorium located on the 1 st floor)
September 30 2 – 3 PM	Stalin’s Secret Genocide - Reflection on Stalin’s Soviet Regime (45Min) 4 th Floor
October 7 2 – 3 PM	Between Hitler & Stalin (60 Min) 4 th Floor
October 14 2 – 4 PM	Soviet Story (90 Min) 4 th Floor
October 21 2 – 3 PM	Hunger For Truth: The Rhea Clyman Story (50 Min) 4 th Floor
October 28 2 – 3 PM	Harvest of Despair (55 Min) 4 th Floor
November 4 2 – 4 PM	Genocide Revealed (75 Min) Konstatin Bokan – One of the Millions of Victims of the Holodomor (20 Min) 4 th Floor

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Canned Food Drive:

All collected items will be donated to the North Texas Food Bank to Stop Hunger

- Canned Fruit & Vegetables
- Dried or Canned Beans
- Canned Tuna or Chicken
- Whole-Grain Rice or Pasta
- Healthy Cereal
- Peanut Butter

