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Український Конгресовий Комітет Америки
UKRAINIAN CONGRESS COMMITTEE OF AMERICA



UCCA To Convene XXIII Congress of Ukrainians in America in 2024



On 23 January 2024, the Ukrainian Congress Committee of America hosted a virtual meeting of UCCA's National Council, UCCA's highest ruling body. In accordance with UCCA's Bylaws, the National Council ratified a proposal from the Presidium of UCCA's Executive Committee to schedule the XXIII Congress of Ukrainians in America on 11-13 October 2024. At this convention, delegates from across the United States will meet on the outskirts of Philadelphia, PA, to elect a new UCCA National Executive and plan a course of action for the next four years. Delegates will also hear reports from the outgoing National Executive and Committee Chairs and

discuss the work that has been accomplished since the last convention. Of special significance will be the planned workshops and roundtable discussions for both delegates and guests, which will allow for open discussion on key political, strategic and social concerns that are important to the Ukrainian American community as well as its relations with Ukraine.

Since UCCA's founding convention in 1940, the Congress of Ukrainians in America has served as a venue for U.S. presidential campaigns and political party leaders to share their visions of U.S.-Ukraine relations. In addition to the 538 members of the Electoral College which decide the Presidential election, on Tuesday, 5 November 2024, all 435 seats in the United States House of Representatives and 33 of the 100 seats in the United States Senate will be contested, potentially influencing the make-up of both the Congressional Ukraine Caucus and the Senate Ukraine Caucus. Following an historic election in 2020, with over 150 million combined votes cast for the first time in U.S. history, UCCA will once again endeavor to spark civic engagement through its convention to maximize the Ukrainian American presence at the polls, with the goal of convincing incoming Representatives and Senators to continue to enact vital Congressional support for Ukraine.

UCCA's National Council will meet again this spring to appoint a Nominating Committee for the XXIII Congress, as well as a Shevchenko Freedom Award Committee, and solicit proposed amendments to UCCA's bylaws. In advance of the 23 January meeting, UCCA's National Office worked with UCCA's Philadelphia-area Local Branch leadership in preparation for the selection vote. Eugene Luciw, President of the Ukrainian Congress Committee of America's Philadelphia branch, and Natalia Luciw were responsible for the majority of fact-finding and in-person meetings in the area.

In commemoration of UCCA's XXIII Congress of Ukrainians in America, a Convention Book will be published, part of which will be dedicated to greetings and advertisements from members and organizations within the Ukrainian community.

[Download UCCA's Announcement \(PDF\)](#)

Preparing for February Anniversaries



UCCA's National Office has once again prepared a list of Dates and Observances for the coming year. While this document can be downloaded directly through the link below, it can also be found on UCCA's website where it will continue to be updated throughout the year:

[Download UCCA's 2024 Dates and Observances \(PDF\)](#)

2 Years of Full-fledged War



This February 24th, Ukrainians around the world will honor the sacrifices and stand united on the 2nd anniversary of full-fledged aggression in a war that has lasted 10 years.

In advance of this anniversary, UCCA has endeavored to share some ideas being coordinated throughout the worldwide Ukrainian hromada for appropriately commemorating this tragic anniversary:

- The first action is to request your local government buildings or landmarks to be lit up in Ukraine's national colors of blue and yellow. As an example, the UCCA National Office will be working towards lighting the Empire State Building in NYC. If such a project is not realistic in your community, we urge you to request that your town hall hold a flag raising ceremony to fly the Ukrainian flag.
- The second action is to request a proclamation or statement of support from your local Governor and/or Mayor. We would also urge you to ask your local elected officials if they would be able to provide a video statement as well as attend your local events. Attached you will find a sample letter of request.
- The third action is to coordinate special prayer services at some point during the week of February 19-26 in honor of the lives lost in the course of this genocidal invasion.

If your Viddil/Hromada has other plans to mark this anniversary, including mass rallies, vigils, conferences or concerts, please share them with UCCA's National Office. Some communities throughout the USA have already announced their plans, and we are gathering them on UCCA's website: <https://ucca.org/swu2024/>

[Download UCCA's Anniversary Planning Materials \(PDF\)](#)

As with [the anniversary in 2023](#), graphics and materials have been prepared by the [Ukrainian World Congress](#), which will also be compiling a worldwide list of events throughout our global community:

[Download UWC Graphics and Materials \(Google Drive\)](#)



There is already a rally and march planned for 24 February in Washington, D.C., should your community decide to organize transportation to attend. UCCA supports this initiative, as well as the initiatives of those who decide to rally in their hometowns:

- When: Saturday, 24 February from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
- Where: [The Lincoln Memorial](#), Washington, D.C.
- Facebook event <http://tinyurl.com/2wx5cvmp>

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For more information: UkraineDaysDC2024@gmail.com

According to the Congressional Calendar, the House of Representatives will be in recess from 16 February – 5 March, with Members of Congress making themselves available during this time back in their home districts.

Supporters of Ukraine should also do their very best to schedule local meetings with their elected representatives during this recess and invite them to your local events recognizing Ukrainian resiliency.

Coordinated by the [Ukrainian National Information Service \(UNIS\)](#), the Washington, D.C., public affairs bureau of the Ukrainian Congress Committee of America, a “Ukrainian Week” of advocacy will be held during Presidents' Week from 20-23 February 2024 in local congressional districts and states throughout the country. This in-district and in-state weeklong event will be crucial for advocating for continued support needed for Ukraine to defend its territory against invading russian forces.

As in previous advocacy events, a virtual briefing will be held prior to the weeklong event and briefing notes will be distributed to all Ukrainian Week participants. For further information and to register for the event, please contact UkraineDaysDC2024@gmail.com

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