After President Harry S. Truman was elected in 1948, his first major act was to direct the U.S. State Department to open negotiations for a trans-Atlantic alliance. When 12 countries signed the North Atlantic Treaty in Washington, D.C., on 4 April 1949, President Truman remarked, “We hope to create a shield against aggression and the fear of aggression.” Thus was born the most significant result of America’s postwar foreign policy strategy — America’s membership in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO).

Since its creation, the transatlantic NATO Alliance has grown from 12 founding members to 32 member countries; a community of Allies bound together by common values of democracy, individual liberty, human rights and the rule of law.
For decades, NATO served as an effective bulwark against Soviet expansion. While today’s Russian Federation has emerged as a similar aggressor state, leading to a destabilization of the European continent, it has also underscored NATO’s continued importance for both the United States and Europe as a safeguard against continued Russian expansionism. In addition to the full-fledged military invasion of Ukraine, the repeated serious Russian provocations directed against neighboring NATO and non-NATO nations in the region endanger not only the sovereignty and territorial integrity of European allies, but the future viability of all trans-Atlantic security structures.

The recent ballistic missile attacks against Ukraine only reinforce the rationale for the United States and our NATO allies must provide Ukraine with all the weapons necessary to be victorious in this unjust war. The Ukrainian Congress Committee of America, the largest representation of Americans of Ukrainian descent, expects that during the upcoming NATO summit on 9-11 July in Washington, D.C., the location where its founding treaty was signed, the Alliance will provide Ukraine with a clear answer regarding Ukraine’s place in NATO.

White House Statement

"As we prepare for our Washington Summit, we're working together to cement Ukraine's path towards NATO membership. This matters for Ukraine's security and for our security," NATO Secretary-General Jens Stoltenberg said, when he chaired Ukraine's joint meeting with alliance members.
“Alliances, whether at NATO or elsewhere, are not just symbols of solidarity – they are the bedrock of our security... Together, we will continue to uphold the principles that have guided us for the past 75 years and demonstrate how NATO truly is Stronger Together.” - Julianne Smith, U.S. Ambassador to NATO

How much do you know about Ukraine’s history with NATO?

Learn more about Ukraine and NATO (PDF)

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UCCA National Executive Board Member Myroslava Rozdolska Honored by NY State Senate
On 23 March, UCCA National Executive Board Member and a Board Member of UCCA's Educational Council, Myroslava Rozdolska, was honored with the Women Trailblazer Award by NY State Senator Iwen Chu. The co-Founder and President of UCCA Member Organization Ukrainian New Wave, Pani Rozdolska has been instrumental in responding to the requests of recently arrived Ukrainians to her community in Brooklyn, NY, where she also co-founded and directs the Nova Khvylka School of Ukrainian Studies.

UCCA congratulates Pani Myroslava on her award and thanks State Senator Chu for recognizing Ukrainian leadership in her district.

Keep Calling for Ukraine

The Ukrainian Congress Committee of America (UCCA) and its Washington, DC public affairs bureau – the Ukrainian National Information Service (UNIS) – urge you to contact Speaker Johnson's office IMMEDIATELY and urge the Speaker to bring a supplemental national security assistance bill to a vote.

HOW TO CONTACT SPEAKER JOHNSON:

- Call Speaker Johnson's Capitol office: 202 225-4000
- Leave a message with the operator about the importance of the Ukraine supplemental bill:
As a concerned citizen, I urge you to bring a national security supplemental bill to the floor for a vote.

This crucial supplemental assistance not only benefits Ukraine by defending against the ruthless onslaught of russian attacks, but also is in the national security interests of the United States and the entire Free World.

Assisting Ukraine and curbing russian aggression now will prevent prolonged American involvement in a future worldwide conflict. Your resolve and action to bring a supplemental bill for a vote is critically important!

Upcoming Events

6 квітня, Чикаго

7 квітня, Нью-Йорк
6 квітня, Денвер

Ukrainian FooDenver Festival

7 квітня, Вашингтон

MUSIC FOR UKRAINE: A CONCERT OF SOLIDARITY
SUNDAY APRIL 7, 2024 3:00 PM
Washington DC, United States
1155 15th St NW, Washington, DC 20005

7 квітня, УОКЦентрі Дженкінтаун

An Afternoon of Ukrainian and American Piano Music
Olena Haviuk-Sheremet & Emiko Edwards

Ukrainian Educational and Cultural Center
700 N Cedar Rd, Jenkintown, PA 19046
Sunday, April 7th at 3PM
Adults: $20
Students (18 & under): $12
"Tickets may be purchased at the door via cash/venmo"
"For advance tickets call: 215-824-7736"

7 квітня, Нью-Йорк

JULIAN KYTASTY Bandura

SONGS FOR THE 400 YEARS WAR
TRADITIONAL MUSIC OF 18TH-CENTURY UKRAINE
Sunday, April 7th 3:00pm
St. John’s in the Village
218 W 11th St, New York, NY 10014

9 квітня, Нью-Йорк

An evening with OLEKSANDRA MATVIICHUK
Human Rights Defender and
Head of the Center for Civil Liberties (Nobel Peace Prize 2020)

In conversation with Dr. Susan Wicks, Obstetrics and Gynecology

Monday, April 8, 2024 at 6:30 PM

Ukrainian Institute of America, 2 East 78th St, New York 10075

Квітень, Массачусетс/Коннектикут

A Kind of Refugee

Sunday, April 7, 2024
Christ Church Chelsea, 913 Beacon Street, Boston, MA 02115

In conversation with author Thomas Walkom and activist Tanya Bubtseva

Thursday, April 5, 7:00 PM
Hingham Historical Society, Hingham, MA 02043
In conversation with Jane O’Connor, Executive Director of the Society

Thursday, April 5, 7:00 PM
Cohasset Historical Society, Cohasset, MA 02025
In conversation with David Dibbell, Executive Director of the Society

Thursday, April 5, 7:00 PM
Weston Historical Society, Weston, MA 02093
In conversation with Emily MacNamara, Executive Director of the Society
The Ukrainian Congress Committee of America is a Community Partner for the 48th Cleveland International Film Festival. Follow the festival’s schedule online in advance of their screening of Athletes of War, which follows Ukrainian athletes as they prepare for the 2024 Olympic Games in Paris, while trying to survive Russia’s violent invasion of their country.

13 квітня, Філадельфія

MY FINAL TERRITORY AT WAR: AN EVENING WITH UKRAINIAN WRITER YURI ANDRUKHOVYCH
April 13, 2024 at 7PM

Yuri Andrushko will read from recent publications of his writing in English translation, including Chronicle of Ukrainian Writers Overseas in War (Penguin, 2021) and My Final Territory: Selected Essays (University of Toronto Press, reprinted 2023). Mr. Andrushko will also present new translations of his poetry and prose from forthcoming publications and discuss Ukraine two years after Russia’s full-scale invasion.

Free admission
Ukrainian League of Philadelphia
200 N. 23rd Street, Phila., PA 19103

Ukrainian and English language event
Sponsored by The US Cultural Trust and the Ukrainian Survivors First Fund

13 квітня, Скенектаді НЙ

14 квітня, Лос-Анджелес

Pysanka Festival
Sunday
April 14, 2024
Noon to 5:00pm

at UKRAINIAN CULTURE CENTER
435 MacArthur Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90029
FREE ADMISSION
14 квітня, Елкінс Парк

MELODIES OF UKRAINE

PROVIDENCE
April 15, 2024
Saturday at 7pm
Gilder Center for the Arts
The Wheeler School
216 Hope Street
Providence, RI 02906

BOSTON
April 14, 2024
Sunday at 2pm
The Dorothy and Charles Mosesian Center for the Arts
321 Arsenal Street
Watertown, MA 02472

16 квітня, Вашингтон

FREE NATIONS OF DOSTRUSSIA FODUM

RUSSIA'S RUPTURE AND WESTERN POLICY

WASHINGTON

The Jamestown Foundation
1331 H St NW, First Floor Conference Room
Washington, DC 20005

13-14 квітня, Провіденс/Бостон

16 квітня, Вашингтон

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