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SUSK participates in the Toronto Ukrainian Festival

From Friday September 12, 2014 through Sunday September 14, 2014, the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union (SUSK) participated in the Toronto Ukrainian Festival, North America's largest Ukrainian street festival.

Members of SUSK and its Ukrainian Students' Organizations (USOs) at the University of Toronto, Ryerson University, and York University were present throughout the festival, sharing information about their activities to local youth and students.



**SUSK National Executive members at the TUF student booth:
Christine Czoli (President), Cassian Soltykevych (Executive Vice-President), Mark
Moroz (Director of Internal Relations), Olena Kit (Alumni Director),
and Alex Prokopchuk (Vice-President Central)**



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In addition, SUSK President Christine Czoli and Director of External Relations Emily Bayrachny shared insights and experiences regarding the Maidan revolution in a talk titled “*Student perspectives on Maidan: Kyiv and Toronto*” at the Open University of Maidan. The Open University was part of an incredible interactive exhibit of the Maidan, organized by the Ukrainian Canadian Congress Toronto branch Euromaidan Committee. Emily discussed the beginnings of the Toronto Maidan and its community-based activities, including raising awareness about events in Ukraine, advocating for government support of Ukraine, monitoring media coverage about Ukraine, and providing support to Ukrainian activists. Christine shared her experiences from her visit of the Kyiv Maidan in December 2013, where she offered support to the Ukrainian people in their fight for human dignity.



SUSK National Executive members participating in the Maidan exhibit organized by the Ukrainian Canadian Congress Toronto branch Euromaidan Committee



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Finally, SUSK National Executive members held an Executive meeting during the festival. The Toronto Ukrainian Festival offers a great opportunity for members to have an in-face meeting and celebrate their Ukrainian heritage. National Executive members discussed efforts to engage with Ukrainian Students' Organizations across the country and plans for upcoming initiatives. SUSK is very grateful to Buduchnist Credit Union for hosting us for this annual meeting during the Toronto Ukrainian Festival.



SUSK National Executive members at BCU: Alex Prokopchuk (Vice-President Central), Emily Bayrachny (Director of External Relations), Christine Czoli (President), Cassian Soltykevych (Executive Vice-President), Borys Bilaniuk (Vice-President East), and Olena Kit (Alumni Director)

View coverage of SUSK's presence at the Toronto Ukrainian Festival by ForumTV here (@ 21:06):

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Gli6Kwllvnw&list=UUf2UH8B6SJSOmO055UKI-GQ>

Read more about the Toronto Ukrainian Festival here:

<http://www.ukrainianfestival.com/index.htm>

On behalf of the SUSK National Executive,

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President

Alex Prokopchuk
Vice-President Central

Emily Bayrachny
External Relations Director