



WORLD FEDERATION OF UKRAINIAN WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS

invites you to a panel discussion

Ukrainian Women in Today's World

On Sunday, March 29, 2015
at 2pm

Golden Lion Banquet Hall
15 Canmotor Avenue, Etobicoke

Following the official program you are cordially invited to a reception
\$20 (at the door)

Panelists:

Alexandra (Olesia) Foty is in her fourth year of studies at McGill University, working towards a Mining Engineering bachelor's degree. She is the President of the Co-op Mining Engineering Undergraduate Society at McGill, leading the organization of many academic and extracurricular activities within and outside the student society. One of Alexandra's most notable achievements this year was representing the province of Quebec in the 30th Annual Canadian Engineering Competition debates. Alexandra is a Canadian of Ukrainian heritage who is motivated to participate in organizations that benefit the Ukrainian community. In her youth, she has been involved in various cultural activities such as Ukrainian dancing, and served as a volunteer at the Help Us Help the Children (Children of Chernobyl) summer camp for orphaned Ukrainian children. As a young adult, she looks forward to increasing her involvement in the community through her career.

Emily Bayrachny was born and raised in Toronto, is in her final year of her undergraduate degree at the University of Toronto, Trinity College, majoring in Political Science and European Studies. She serves as External Director on the National Executive of SUSK and is also on the executive of the Ukrainian Students' Club at the University of Toronto. A founding member of Euromaidan Canada, Emily has taken an active role in current affairs in Ukraine. She also serves on multiple UCC positions at the local and provincial level. Emily hopes to focus further study on the political development of post-Soviet states, Ukraine in particular, and witness Ukraine's entry into the European Union as a member state.

Krystina Waler worked in the pharmaceutical industry in Kyiv for 3 years where she was very involved in the ex-pat community. Since the beginning of Euromaidan in November 2013, Krystina has travelled to Ukraine a dozen times working on various humanitarian efforts. Most recently, as the Director of Humanitarian Initiatives for the Canada Ukraine Foundation, Krystina organized a surgical team of 25 Canadian healthcare professionals that travelled to Kyiv and performed 37 surgeries on young men injured in the ongoing conflict in Eastern Ukraine. She is on the Board of Directors for the Children of Chornobyl Canadian Fund, the Ukrainian Canadian Professional and Business Association, and Ukrainian Canadian Congress Niagara. Krystina is currently completing a Master's Degree in Health Technology Assessment and Management at the University of Toronto.

Moderator:

Dr. Martha Kichorowska Kebalo is the Main Representative to the United Nations Economic and Social Council for the World Federation of Ukrainian Women's Organizations, a position she has held since January 2013, after serving as one of WFUWO's representatives since 2002. At the UN, Martha is a member of the NGO Committee on the Status of Women (NY), NGO Committee on the Family (NY), and she serves as Treasurer of the NGO Committee on Sustainable Development.

As Main Representative, Martha leads the work of the UN representation group, coordinating special projects as needed. She has been instrumental in the organization of several major events, including the Shevchenko Bicentennial at the UN/ECOSOC in March 2014. She regularly organizes events, such as workshop for the annual UNDPI NGO conference, NGO Parallel events for the annual sessions of the Commission on the Status of Women, NGO-led briefing for UNDPI. These events serve to both raise awareness of Ukraine's needs and positions within the UN community and to highlight at the UN the important work that WFUWO member organizations do in their respective countries.