

Manager, Student Inform

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Subject: EM: War in Ukraine Fair Starts Tomorrow - Friday & Saturday (Oct. 7-8) at McKenna Auditorium - Come on out!

From: Espinosa, Gaston

Dear CMC Students:

The Russian invasion of Ukraine has shocked the world. The immense suffering, violence, and daily struggle for hope has led us and our sponsors to collaborate to organize the **“War in Ukraine Social Engagement Fair.”**

We invite you to attend the Fair, which takes place this **Friday & Saturday, October 7-8** from 9:00 AM until 10:00 PM in **McKenna Auditorium** in the heart of the CMC campus.

It will be a multifaceted series of events that explore the history, politics, literature, art, and culture of Ukraine at times of war and peace. Check out the keynote speakers, panels, dialogues, concerts, poets, movies, & artists!

The mission of the “War in Ukraine Social Engagement Fair” is to spark awareness about the Russian war against Ukraine, its devastating impact on millions of people and the environment, U.S. foreign policy on Ukraine, and to spotlight the various humanitarian relief efforts we can engage in to help ameliorate the suffering.

We will explore Ukrainian culture, art, and politics through scholarly and student presentations, poetry readings, musical performances, artist exhibits, movie screenings and fundraising dinners.

In addition to raising awareness about Ukraine, we are also seeking to raise funds that we can send to NGOs working on the ground. We will host a panel with half a dozen NGOs discussing ways to help. 100% of all funds raised will go directly to humanitarian relief efforts in Ukraine.

In short, our goals are threefold:

1. Provide information about Ukrainian history, politics, religion, and causes of the war.
2. Invite Ukrainian and U.S. scholars, students, diplomats, religious leaders, poets, artists, musicians/singers, and actors/movies to speak about the Ukrainian struggle for freedom.
3. Raise awareness about humanitarian and NGO relief efforts and how to get involved.

All events are free and open to all except the dinner (Gus's BBQ, Panda Express, Pizza, etc..), for which people have to register online. In order to prepare, we encourage everyone to register even if they do not plan to attend the dinner, so they can be made aware of scheduling updates and future events.

Here is the link: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Gsw5zudZfuipLO_-X5yXYIDtPiK1bfUgLrLVVJyQ-nE/edit?edit_requested=true

We hope you'll make every effort to attend! This will be an awesome way to show your support for Ukraine and learn a ton about what's going on!

I've attached a schedule with some flyers about some of the speakers. Slava Ukraini!

<https://informs.cmc.edu/digest/Attachments/2022/Letter%20to%20CMC%20Students.pdf>

Sincerely,

Gastón Espinosa, Wendy Lower & The War in Ukraine Social Engagement Team

(Team Members: Kirby, Diana, Miranda, Ellie, Gwen, Marina, Alina, Aliya, Vito, Leo, Sasha, Jason, Rowan, Luc, Tara, Margo, Ivan, Alexaj, Linda)