

Narrating the Holodomor: The Social and Cultural History of Collectivization and Famine in Soviet Ukraine

**Virtual Conference
December 9-11, 2021**

December 9

11:00 (EST) — Keynote Address

“The Pulse of Memory, through Layers of Forgetting: Narrating Hunger across Generations”

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13:00 (EST)

Panel 1: *Repression, Resistance, and the Transformation of the Countryside during Collectivization and the Holodomor*

Benjamin Dunbar and Raymond Taras (Tulane University), “Mode of Production as a Contributing Factor to the Holodomor: A Tentative Analysis”

Oleksandra Smilianets, “Nonviolent Resistance in the Context of the Holodomor. Private Stories of Holodomor Victims”

Olga Bertelsen (Tiffin University), “Suppressing and Concealing Peasant Resistance in Ukraine during Stalin’s Collectivization”

Discussant: **Lynne Viola, University of Toronto**

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15:00 (EST)

Panel 2: *Narrating the Trauma of the Holodomor*

Iryna Skubii (Queen's University), "Speaking about Food Disgust after the Famine: What Does Survivor Testimony Tell Us?"

Vitaliy Ogienko (Ukrainian Institute of National Memory), "The Stakhanovites and the Holodomor: Are They Connected, and If So, What is the Impact on the Narrative?"

Discussant: **Dennis Klein, Kean University**

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17:00 (EST)

Panel 3: *Everyday Experience of the Holodomor*

Kimberly St. Julian-Varnon (University of Pennsylvania), "'How difficult it is to live, desperately difficult': Everyday Life and Subjectivity during the Holodomor"

Daria Mattingly (University of Cambridge), "No Ordinary Bloggers. Village Correspondents in the Mechanism of the Holodomor"

John Vsetecka (Michigan State University), "Hunger and the Family: Trauma, Grief, and the Interpersonal Struggles of the Bokan Family after Famine"

Discussant: **Mark Edele, University of Melbourne**

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December 10

10:00 (EST)

Panel 4: *New Oral and Visual Sources on Collectivization and the Holodomor*

Natalia Kuzovova/Наталія Кузовова (Херсонський державний університет), “До питання щодо виготовлення, збору та аналізу свідчень та спогадів на Півдні України на прикладі Херсонської області у 1932-33 р.– регіон «Степ»: Дніпропетровська та Одеські області)”

Tetiana Boriak (Taras Shevchenko Kyiv National University), “Holodomor Oral History: Formation, Content and Problems of the Sources”

Hennadii Boriak (Institute of History of Ukraine, National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine), “Holodomor Digital Archives as Innovative Universal Network Resource: Documentary and Visual Segments of the Project”

Oksana Yurkova (Institute of History of Ukraine, National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine), “Ukrainian Photographer Petro Kravchenko and his Holodomor Era Photos”

Discussant: **Lana Babij, Independent Researcher, Holodomor Photo Directory**

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12:30 (EST)

Panel 5: *National Minorities during the Holodomor*

Rina Lapidus (Bar-Ilan University), “The Holodomor in Jewish Villages and Towns in Ukraine”

Eduard Baidaus, (University of Alberta), “Escaping Stalin's 'Paradise': Soviet Refugees in Romania during the Holodomor, 1932-33”

Colin Neufeldt (Concordia University of Edmonton), “From Ethnic Germans into Fascists, Hitlerists, and Nazi Agents: Holodomor Narratives and the Transmogrification of Mennonites into Nazi Enemies of the State”

Discussant: **Andrey Shlyakhter, YIVO Institute for Jewish Research**

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14:30 (EST)

Panel 6: *Recent Scholarship on Bystanders to Atrocity* (comparative panel)

Dennis Klein (Kean University), “Atrocity and the Construction of the Complicit Bystander”

Nick Kupensky (United States Air Force Academy), “‘The Telescope of Posterity’: Perception and Responsibility in Holodomor Denials”

Discussant: **Daria Mattingly, University of Cambridge**

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16:00 (EST)

Panel 7: *Narrating Memory of the Holodomor*

Sonia Mycak (Australian National University),
“Institutionalisation of Holodomor Knowledge and Memory in Australia”

Wiktoria Kudela-Świątek (Pedagogical University of Cracow), “Holodomor Survivor Testimonies in the Process of Building Monuments in Canada”

Charley Boerman (Radboud University), “Diasporic and Postmemory of the Holodomor in Film”

Discussant: **Norman Naimark, Stanford University**

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18:00 (EST)

Panel 8: *Postwar Refugees' Narratives of the Holodomor*

Olga Andriewsky (Trent University), “The 'Hidden' Social Memory of the Holodomor: Non-Ukrainians Remember the Ukrainian Terror-Famine”

Lesya Melnychuk Morgan, “The Long-Term Effects of the Holodomor on Western Australian Migrant Refugees Who Survived”

Discussant: **Vic Satzewich**

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December 11

11:00 (EST)

Panel 9: *Collectivization and Holodomor -- The Experience of Children and Youth*

Нані Гогохія (Луганський національний університет імені Тараса Шевченка), "Діти в масових кампаніях влади напередодні та в період Голодомору"

Артем Харченко (Національний технічний університет "Харківський технічний інститут"), "Радянський сиротинець міжвоєнного періоду як місце соціальної трансформації".

Ольга Рябченко (Харківський національний педагогічний університет ім. Г. С. Сковороди), "Пригоди та 'гріхи' молодості: его-документи про мобілізації студентів на посівні та заготівельні кампанії в роки колективізації та Голодомору (1928–1933)"

Discussant: Iryna Skubii, Queen's University

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Panel 10: *Next Generation Memory of the Holodomor*

Karolina Koziura, "Silenced Memory and Transgenerational Trauma in the Oral Testimonies of the Great Ukrainian Famine of 1932-1933"

Sophia Isajiw (University of Alberta), "Consequences of Holodomor Knowledge in Second Generation Children of Survivors in the Ukrainian Canadian Diaspora Through Oral History Accounts"

Mateusz Świetlicki (University of Wrocław), "Tell Me a Story – Next-generation Memory and The Holodomor in Anglophone Children's Literature"

Discussant: Brent Bezo, Carleton University

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Closing Remarks and Discussion: Frank Sysyn, University of Alberta

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