



Ukrainian Collectibles Society

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INFORMATION SHEET & ORDER FORM

80th Anniversary of the Holodomor



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[the last day to place your order is: Monday, 11 November 2013]

On Saturday 23rd November 2013 Ukrainians all over the world will be commemorating the 80th anniversary of the artificial famine and genocide perpetrated on the Ukrainian people in 1932-1933 by cadres of the Soviet Union, Red Army and the Soviet Secret Police under the direction and control of Russian dictator Joseph Stalin. This genocide, known in Ukrainian as the Holodomor, or extermination by famine, is a legacy that is deeply imprinted on the Ukrainian soul, one that is never forgotten.

On the 23rd November Ukrainian communities around Australia will solemnly commemorate the Holodomor anniversary while the Australian Federation of Ukrainian Organisations will be holding a national commemoration in Melbourne at Federation Square.

During 1932-1933 it is estimated that between 5 and 10 million lives were lost - starved, murdered or deported - as a direct result of policies imposed by Soviet authorities. All segments of the Ukrainian community were targeted - villagers, townsfolk, academics, scientists, rich farmers (kulaks) and private businesses, bishops and priests, kobzar players, cultural leaders. Such was the targeted and wanton decimation of the Ukrainian culture, its people and the nation.

The logo selected for the 80th commemorative year, designed by Ukrainian Canadian artist Oleh Lesiuk, depicts five stalks of wheat bound with a black ribbon. The inspiration for this design is based on the 7 August 1932 law authored by Joseph Stalin which imposed a sentence of death or 10 years' imprisonment for the misappropriation of collective farm property. This law led to mass arrests and executions. Even children caught picking handfuls of grain from fields were convicted. It became known as the law of "Five ears of grain." While serving as a reminder of the devastation characterized by the law, the wheat symbolizes the Ukrainian nation's determination to live and prosper.

The Ukrainian Collectibles Society, in recognition of this anniversary, is releasing the following commercial and collectible souvenirs as a tangible and collectible philatelic record.

- An Australia Post 60-cent Personalised postage stamp:
 - The distinctive label design depicts the "Five ears of grain" logo
- Two pictorial souvenir envelopes.
 - The first depicts the specially designed and recently released "Madonna Holodomor 33" icon by Melbourne architect Maru Jarockyj. On the reverse of this envelope will be descriptive text in both the English and Ukrainian languages
 - The second will be the specially designed envelope that was to be used in 2008 but which was never released due to political interference



Orders for Personalised stamps and envelopes can only be made through the UCS on the prescribed Order form. Forms must be either mailed or emailed to the addresses provided on the Order form.

Personalised Stamp details

- Only \$0.60 denomination stamps are available (current ordinary letter rate)
- Stamps are available in sheets of 20 Peel & Stick (not gummed) stamps with label (the stamp and label form a single unit).
- Stamps will be available to be purchased in the following formats:
 - Full sheet of 20 (NOTE: full sheet includes a corner block of 3)
 - Any quantity (if less than one sheet).
 - A very limited number of corner blocks of 3 will be available to collectors

Commemorative souvenir envelope details - Madonna and Holodomor

- Both the Madonna and Holodomor design envelopes will be available (as depicted on the previous page)
- Only serviced envelopes postmarked 23.11.2013 from an Australia Post postal outlet will be available
- Each envelope will bear a single 60-cent "Five ears of grain" Personalised Stamp
- The Madonna envelope will have the UCS first day of issue imprint and carry both English and Ukrainian text on the reverse of the envelope
- Both souvenir envelopes can be:
 - Posted direct to the purchaser on the day of issue (within Australia only)
 - Sent to the purchaser in a package (in postmarked but mint condition)
 - For non-Australian residents, envelopes can only be ordered in mint condition

Orders and payment

- Orders can only be made on the prescribed Order Form (see attached file)
- Full payment must be made on placement of order (orders will not be filled without full payment by the cut-off date)
- Orders can only be placed through the Ukrainian Collectibles Society:
 - PO Box 466, Woodville SA 5011
 - Email: bandura@ozemail.com.au
 - Telephone contact: George Fedyk - 0412 702 234 | Day & A/H: 08 8445 9825
 - Telephone contact: Frank Fursenko - 0412 267 880 | Day & A/H: 08 8338 6165
- There is a cut-off date for the placement of orders for stamps and envelopes - orders will not be filled after that date. The cut-off date for this release is **11.11.2013**
- Orders will be accepted from both Australian and non-Australian residents

- Available payment options:
 - Cheque - payable to "Ukrainian Collectibles Society"
 - Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)
 - Institution: Dnister Ukrainian Credit Cooperative, Hindmarsh, SA
 - BSB: 704-235
 - Account Number: 02800084
 - Notation: "your name and city" (eg: Ned Kelly, Adelaide)
 - A notation MUST be made with any EFT for identification.
 - For international orders:
 - We will only accept electronic payment in Australian currency **only**, either through Paypal or Skrill/Moneybookers - the payment address is: bandura@ozemail.com.au
 - A **5% SURCHARGE** must be added to Paypal or Skrill/Moneybookers payments.
 - An appropriate notation must be made with funds transfer for identification.
 - International cheques, payable on an Australian bank, are acceptable but only if a **\$25.00 surcharge** is added to the total to cover very high bank transaction costs.
 - Non-Australian personal cheques will not be accepted.
 - International currency cash payments will not be accepted.

Delivery of ordered items

All ordered items will be sent in the fortnight following release in a single package to the address indicated on the Order Form, unless any envelopes are to be posted direct to the purchaser on the day of issue.

Prices and Costs

- Stamps:
 - Full sheet of 20 stamps:
 - 1 - 19 sheets - \$30.00 per sheet
 - 20-29 sheets - \$27.00 per sheet
 - 30 + sheets - \$25.00 per sheet
 - Individual stamps - \$ 1.50 each
- Envelopes:
 - Fully serviced envelope - \$5.00
- Postage and handling costs: (standard letter weight up to 250g)
 - Within Australia - \$2.00
 - International - \$7.00 (for Registered mail, see Order form)
- If weight exceeds 250g, the UCS will require additional payment before despatching the order
- All payments are in Australian currency only

Additional Information

A small quantity of stamps and first day of issue envelopes will be held by the UCS and will be made available for purchase after the release date (on a first in, first paid basis). Stamps will cost **\$2.00 each** (\$40.00 per complete sheet, if available) and envelopes **\$7.00 each**. You should contact the UCS directly for further information or to purchase.