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### **About Threads That Connect Fashion Show**

The Threads that Connect Fashion Show was first hosted by the Alberta Council for the Ukrainian Arts (ACUA) and the Ukrainian Resource Development Centre (URDC) in 2021. The fashion show will be hosted in the heart of MacEwan University in the atrium of Allard Hall. Our fashion show will feature several contemporary textile designers from Ukraine, a VIP reception, and silent auction. The next day, ACUA and URDC will host a personal shopping experience at ACUA to purchase the clothing and accessories featured at the fashion show.

# Why Support Threads That Connect?

- Demonstrate your commitment to the arts.
- Give back to the community.
- Support emerging and newcomer artists.
- Receive extensive media coverage across various platforms.
- Engage a targeted marketing audience.
- Empower professional fashion designers from wartorn Ukraine.
- Help create a unique, fun, and immersive experience for Edmontonians.



Alberta Council for the Ukrainian Arts Suite 100, 10554 110 Street, Edmonton, AB T5H 3C5 Charitable Registration Number 89192 0464 RR0001

May 1, 2024

Dear Supporter:

On Saturday, September 28, 2024 Alberta Council for the Ukrainian Arts (ACUA) and Ukrainian Resource and Development Centre (URDC) at MacEwan University will be hosting our 2nd Threads that Connect fashion show in the heart of MacEwan University in the atrium of the Robbins Centre. Our fashion show will feature several contemporary textile designers from Ukraine, a VIP reception, and silent auction. The next day, ACUA and URDC will host a personal shopping experience at ACUA where the clothing and accessories featured at the fashion show can be purchased.

This highly anticipated event brings together friends, supporters, and corporate sponsors not only to support Ukrainian fashion designers who have persevered through the challenges of war, but to support ACUA's Opening Doors mentorship program for emerging and newcomer artists. On September 28, we expect a sell out crowd of 249 guests who will attend the fashion show and VIP reception at MacEwan University. On September 29, we expect to host several hundred people who will participate in the personal shopping experience at ACUA Gallery and Artisan Boutique.

We hope you will consider supporting and contributing to the success of this event, by making a donation to our silent auction.

Auction items will be displayed at the fashion show and will include the donor's name. In accordance with CRA (Canada Revenue Agency), tax receipts may be issued for some donations. Our volunteers will be happy to arrange pick up of any items being donated to the silent auction. If you would like more information about this event, please contact Robin McHugh at 780-488-8558.

Thank you for your consideration!

Sincerely,

**Deborah Stasiuk** 

**ACUA** 

Larisa Hayduk

**URDC** 

#### PROCEEDS FROM THE

# THREADS THAT CONNECT FASHION SHOW WILL SUPPORT THE

#### **OPENING DOORS MENTORSHIP PROGRAM**

Opening Doors Mentorship Program offers an invaluable experience for emerging and newcomer artists to receive personalized, one-on-one guidance from experienced, professional Canadian artists in their fields of practice.

Mentees will gain insight into the Canadian arts industry by participating in oneon-one mentoring sessions, networking events, and professional development workshops allowing them to gain insight, advice, and constructive feedback tailored to their individual needs and goals, accelerating their growth and development as an artist in Canada.

Professional development workshops will aim to foster community, build networking skills, and promote engagement among program participants. These sessions will allow mentees to learn from experienced professionals, connect with like-minded peers, and develop working relationships that will extend through the life of the mentorship program. It will also assist newcomer artists in settlement in their community.

At the conclusion of the program, mentees will have the opportunity to showcase their growth and accomplishments. ACUA and CARFAC Alberta are committed to providing participants with the opportunity for exhibition, joining a local arts collective, and offering teaching and learning opportunities. This will provide mentees with the opportunity to reflect on their learning and apply it.

Being a professional artist in Canada comes with challenges. It's important to create targeted programming for emerging and newcomer artists that is personalized, allows for skill development, and career advancement. Receiving tailored feedback and creating a community of learning will allow emerging and newcomer artists to receive tailored feedback, industry specific insight, and resources to enhance their craft. Communities of learning are great mediums for adults to learn; fostering collaboration and creating a sense of belonging while learning takes place. The Opening Doors mentorship program will empower emerging and newcomer artists to navigate the challenges of the arts industry and confidently pursue their artistic aspirations.

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#### Thank you for your support!

future Threads that Connect fashion shows.

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