



## Zorianna Hrycenko-Luhova

### *Community Development*

Zorianna Hrycenko-Luhova, independent researcher, documentary producer, community activist, holds a B.A. Honours, M.A. in Slavic Studies from the University of Manitoba. Born in Sudbury, Ontario, she lived in Winnipeg before moving to Montreal. Married to Yuriy Luhovy. They have two children, Artem and Adriana.

Zorianna worked on historical documentaries raising national and international awareness on Ukrainian-Canadian and Ukraine issues: early immigration and internment of Ukrainians in Canada, the 1932-1933 Famine-Genocide. Documentaries include Ukrainians in Quebec 1891-1945, and award-winning Freedom Had Price, Bereza Kartuzka, Genocide Revealed, Recovery Room.

In the field of education, her work included facilitating donations of resource material for educators through provincial Departments of Education of the French-language documentaries Génocide d'une Nation and Les Ukrainiens du Quebec 1891-1945 for inclusion in the Francophone curriculum. She helped realize the first high school classroom exchange (23 students) between Montreal's Royal West Academy and Ukraine's Kyiv-Mohyla Collegium.

She organized major projects and held leadership roles in the development of the Ukrainian Canadian community. Positions included: five-term president of Ukrainian Canadian Congress, Montreal Branch-Quebec Provincial Council, 2010-2015, and delegate from 1976; first woman (four-term president) of Ukrainian Canadian Professional and Business Association of Montreal with executive positions, 1976-2014. Member, Board of Directors UCPBFederation, 2011-2014; Canada-Ukraine Foundation, 1983-1985; Ukrainian Canadian Congress. From late 1960's, executive positions with: Ukrainian Canadian University Students' Union; Ukrainian Students' Literary Circle, University of Manitoba, president; Committee in Defense of Soviet Ukrainian Political Prisoners, 1960's-1980's; Information and Anti-Defamation Committee, Montreal; Rukh-Montreal; Shevchenko Scientific Society of Canada, Montreal. Member: Ukrainian National Federation; Spirit Lake Internment Committee; Ukrainian Cultural and Educational Centre, Winnipeg; Plast-Montreal. Served on six UCC National Committees.

Her work on preservation of community archives for future generations included restoration of proceedings of the First International Conference on the 1933 Famine, held in Montreal in 1983.