

UKRAINIAN CANADIAN CENTENNIAL FESTIVAL



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COMMITTEE

**Salute to Canada
Concert**

Saturday, October 14th,
1967

Jubilee Auditorium

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CENTENNIAL UKRAINIAN YOUTH CHOIR

The feature presentation at this evening's "Salute to Canada" concert prepared by the Ukrainian youth of Edmonton in tribute to Canada on the Centenary of Confederation is the Centennial Youth Choir. The formation of this choir early in 1967, initiated by the conductor, Roman Soltykewych, was received with unbounded enthusiasm by the 120 members. They offer their songs in testimony of their devotion to Canada, the haven of cultural self-expression.

The choir hereby extends its sincere thanks to Mr. R. Soltykewych for his untiring efforts and to Mr. Gerald Metronec for his exemplary contribution as administrative assistant to the conductor.

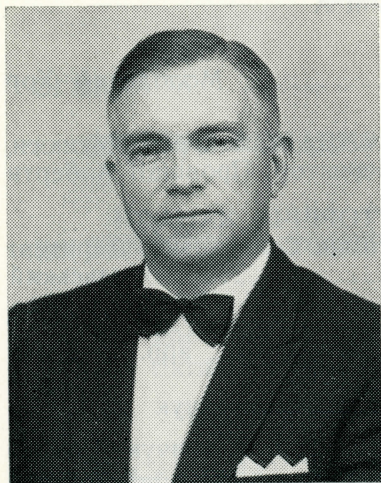


UKRAINIAN SHUMKA DANCERS

The year 1967 has been a climactic one for the Ukrainian Shumka Dancers as they have approached the pinnacles of success. This ensemble was one of two Edmonton groups of young artists selected to perform as official representatives of Edmonton at our centennial twin city, Hull, Quebec and at EXPO '67 in Montreal. Their deportment and standard of performance has brought great credit to our city.

The Ukrainian community is justifiably proud of their achievements of the past eight years and hopes the Shumka Dancers will continue to provide the youth of Edmonton with the further opportunity to excel in the preservation and perpetuation of the most vibrant and colorful element of Ukrainian culture — the inimitable folk dances.

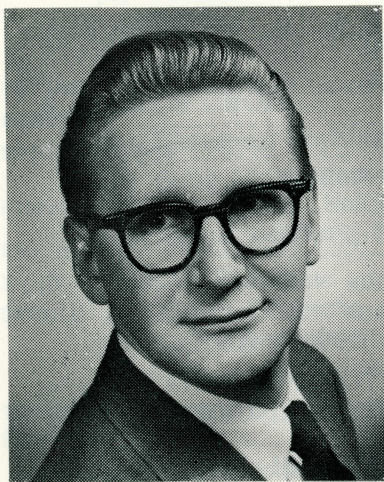
ROMAN SOLTYKEWYCH



Conductor,
Centennial Youth Choirs

Roman Soltykewych received his training in conducting church and secular choirs in Western Ukraine, notably at the Lysenko Institute of Music in Lviv. His sincere dedication to the art of choral singing has never abated; he is tireless in his efforts to elevate the standards of choral singing and to stimulate interest in its participation.

Before coming to Canada in 1951, he conducted choirs in Western Ukraine, university students' choirs in Krakow, and various choirs in Austria and France. For two years after his arrival in Edmonton, he was choir director at St. Josaphats Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral. Since 1953 he has been the conductor of the Dnipro Ukrainian Male Chorus of Edmonton. For the past two years Mr. Soltykewych has been the choir-master at St. John's Ukrainian Orthodox Cathedral of Edmonton, where he has also trained the Senior and Junior "CYMK" Youth Choirs, the former of which was honored last July 16th by an invitation to sing the entire church service in St. Vladimir's Ukrainian Orthodox Cathedral in Toronto.



CHESTER KUC

Director,
Ukrainian Shumka Dancers

Chester Kuc began his training in Ukrainian dancing under the renowned balletmaster, Vasile Avramenko, who brought this traditional folk-art to the North American continent. Mr. Kuc maintained an intense interest in folk-dancing and constantly strove to organize a representative group of young people dedicated to its development on a near-professional plan. His aspirations were fulfilled in 1959 when he founded the Ukrainian Shumka Dancers. Under his capable direction, the ensemble has flourished beyond all expectations until in eight years it is recognized as one

of the outstanding groups of its kind in Canada.

Since 1956, Mr. Kuc has conducted classes of instruction in Ukrainian dancing in the various parishes throughout the city. These well-planned classes were instrumental in preparing hundreds of young people from among whose number Mr. Kuc was able to select the most proficient students to form the nucleus of the SHUMKA DANCERS and to ensure the ensemble's continuing success.

ПРОГРАМА

- О! КАНАДО ----- Молодечий Хор
1. ВСТУПНЕ СЛОВО ----- Дост. Др. І. В. Грент Мекюен,
Губернатор, Провінції Алберти
2. МОЛОДЕЧИЙ ХОР ЮВІЛЕЮ СТОРІЧЧА КАНАДИ
Роман Солтикевич, Диригент
- (а) Єднаймоь, Діти України ----- Омельський
- (б) Отче Наш ----- Леонтович
- (с) Щедрівка (Дзвони) ----- арр. Д. Котка
Солістка: Леона Фарина
Фортепіяновий супровід: Галя Мельничук
3. СОЛЬО-СПІВ ----- Вікторія Винничук, Сопран
- (а) Горить Моє Серце ----- Лопатинський
- (б) Пісня Любви ----- Січинський
Акомпанямент: Галя Мельничук
4. ФОРТЕПІЯНОВЕ СОЛЬО ----- Ірина Кунда
- (а) Ноктюрн, Оп. 72, ч. 1 ----- Шопен
- (б) Прелюдія ----- М. Лісенко

ПЕРВА

5. ДІВОЧИЙ ХОР ----- Роман Солтикевич, Диригент
- (а) Карпатська Пісня ----- Попенко
- (б) Лісова Пісня ----- арр. Федорів
Солістка: Леона Фарина
- (с) Сусідка ----- Яциневич
6. СКРИПКОВЕ СОЛЬО ----- Олена Спачинська
- (а) Концерт для Скрипки (Перша частина) ----- Брух
- (б) Фантазія на Тему "Верховина" ----- Шолтс
Акомпанямент: Галя Мельничук
7. МОЛОДЕЧИЙ ХОР ЮВІЛЕЮ СТОРІЧЧА КАНАДИ —
Роман Солтикевич, Диригент
- (а) Гей, На Високій Полонині -- ---- Милославський
Соліст: Гордон Гордей
- (б) Гандзя ----- арр. Солтикевич
8. УКРАЇНСЬКІ НАРОДНІ ТАНКИ —
Танцювальний Ансамбль "ШУМКА"
Мистецький Керівник — Мирослав Куць
- (а) Гопак (б) Фінал

PROGRAM

O! CANADA Centennial Youth Choir

1. OPENING REMARKS —

His Honour, Dr. J. W. Grant MacEwan,
Lieutenant Governor of Alberta

2. CENTENNIAL YOUTH CHOIR Roman Soltykewych,
Conductor

- (a) Let Us Unite J. Omelsky
(b) The Lord's Prayer M. Leontovich
(c) Ukrainian Christmas Song (The Bells) arr. D. Kotko
Soloist: Leona Faryna
Piano Accompaniment: Halia Melnychuk

3. VOCAL SOLO Victoria Wynnychuk, soprano

- (a) My Heart Is Aflame L. Lopatynsky
(b) Ukrainian Love Song D. Sichinsky
Accompanist: Halia Melnychuk

4. PIANO SOLO Irene Kunda

- (a) Noncturne, Op. 72, No. 1 F. Chopin
(b) Prelude M. Lysenko

INTERMISSION

5. GIRL'S CHOIR Roman Soltykewych, Conductor

- (a) Ukrainan Highland Song M. Popenko
(b) Song of the Forest arr. M. Fedoriw
Soloist: Leona Faryna
(c) Humerous Song (The Neighbor) Y. Yatsinevich

6. VIOLIN SOLO Elaine Spachinsky

- (a) Violin Concerto (1st Movement) Bruch
(b) Carpathian Fantasy P. Scholtz
Accompanist: Halia Melnychuk

7. CENTENNIAL YOUTH CHOIR Roman Soltykewych,
Conductor

- (a) Highlander's Song P. Miloslawsky
Soloist: Gordon Gordey
(b) Humerous Folk Song (Handzia) Arr. R. Soltykewych

8. Traditional Folk Dances Ukrainian Shumka Dancers
Chester Kuc, Director

- (a) Hopak (b) Finale