

VIKTOR YANUKOVYCH:

PROTECTING UKRAINIAN HERITAGE AND CULTURE



*Ukrainian Arts, Language, History,
and Culture are important to our Quality of Life*

The Party of Regions is committed to improving the quality of life for all Ukrainians. That is why this government has invested in preserving and developing Ukrainian Arts, Heritage, Language and Culture as a centerpiece to the life of our nation.

At the heart of our nation lies a communal pride in Ukrainian language, arts, and history. To ensure the legacy of Ukrainian culture, Prime Minister Yanukovich's administration has secured financial support, funded state programs, held numerous public events, and initiated national outreach.

Protecting Historic Sites

With more than 130,000 registered landmarks, Ukraine is a land of rich history. That is why the Yanukovich administration continues to make special efforts to safeguard our unique architecture, art, and historic districts, including the study of cultural artifacts, preservation of local and national monuments, and adequate funding for memorials and museums.

National Art and Culture

One of our greatest cultural priorities is to deliver practical support to Ukrainian artists working in sculpture, arts, graphics, decorative arts, and folk art. The preservation and promotion of traditional art is a vital part of this effort.

Prominent national art exhibitions continue to share our unique culture through various media, and showcase the work of artists like Alexei Grischenko and P.P. Ossovsky. Collections from the House of Taras Shevchenko, which were removed from Ukraine during World War II and are now returned to the country, have also been reintegrated into our cultural fabric. And our country also has celebrated Ukrainian independence through several recent art exhibitions such as *Stone Chronicles of Millenniums*, *Yakov Yuschenko: I Care*,

Afanasiy Yarmolenko: The Portrait of my Motherland, Echo, and Ukraine in Bloom.

Performing Arts

Yanukovich's administration has stabilized funding for the dramatic and performing arts and their venues. This has allowed the state to increase financial support of 20 theater companies by 18% in 2007 alone. The minimum salaries of citizens employed in the cultural sector also have risen, providing a living wage to those who make the performing arts possible.

With this funding, our premier performing arts companies can share Ukrainian culture and heritage here and on the international stage.

The state also has supported national concerts, festivals, and other cultural events across the country, including International Folklore Festival *The Land of Dreams*, Art and Literature Celebration *In the New and Free Family*, International Movie Festival *Molodost*, and V. Gorovitz IV International Competition of Young Pianists. State-sponsored Ukrainian festivals also continue to be held in Poland, Austria, Georgia, Japan, and elsewhere.

Film Industry

Because the film business is a consistently successful economic machine, the Yanukovich administration provides considerable support to Ukraine's film industry. With state budget allotments for production and distribution in place, Ukrainian filmmakers and crews are active across the country.

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Ukraine also benefits from locally made movies because they share our culture with international audiences. Several motion picture studios offering a full range of filmmaking services are under construction now, and existing ones are improving capacity. Recent international film festivals like A, Molodost and Krok also have helped raise Ukraine's cinematic profile.

Ukrainian Language

In the past year, Prime Minister Yanukovich has helped increase of the number of books published in Ukrainian language by 56%. With distribution, this has led to nearly 24 million more Ukrainian-language books in circulation around the country. The state also is boosting publication of Ukrainian-language study manuals. Increased state budgets will mean more manuals and guides distributed to more schools and institutions for citizens of all ages and regions.

Holocaust Remembrances

The Law of Ukraine *On Holocaust in Ukraine in 1932-1933* is a state policy that preserves the national memory of compatriots who suffered the tragic events of our history. The program will consolidate information about Ukrainian Holocaust victims and their experiences, to be incorporated into our educational system, social institutions, and state archives. Through this effort, Prime Minister Yanukovich aims to commemorate this somber period in our history and perpetuate the memories of Ukrainians lost in the Holocaust.

Preserving the Past; Protecting the Future

The government of Victor Yanukovich is committed to protecting Ukraine's rich heritage and vibrant cultural life today because it understands that Arts, Culture, Language, and History are crucial components of the quality of life that it is working so hard to improve for all Ukrainians. Together we can build a stronger Ukraine that honors our past and celebrates our future.

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These changes can be undone with unstable, inexperienced government. It happened in 2005 when the Orange took power and they could undo this growth again. Don't let it happen.

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