



# Kule Folklore Centre

Peter & Doris Kule Centre for Ukrainian & Canadian Folklore

## Folklore Lunch Series

### Art Under Siege: the Legacy of Ukrainian Monumental Art of Alla Horska and Viktor Zaretskiy



Presented by **Anna Morozova, Graduate Student MLCS**

**February 9, 2024 | 12pm MST**

**Kule Folklore Centre, 250 Old Arts Bldg.**

"The research is based on a study of Ukrainian Monumental art of the 1960s in a close relationship with socio-political reality and the Russian invasion of Ukraine (2014-....), which led to the destruction of numerous Ukrainian monumental panels. My presentation will focus on the monumental art of Viktor Zaretskiy and Alla Horska, who were dissident artists and members of the Sixtiers movement. I began my work with Zaretskiy's archive in 2021 in Kyiv, working with the sketches for his mosaics, including arranging, photographing, dating and much more. Sadly, I later discovered they were destroyed by Russian missiles in 2023. My presentation will focus on key aspects, including the question of whether these monumental artworks served as soviet propaganda or represented a form of rival nationalism. Additionally, I will analyze how dissident artists remember the ways in which Soviet censorship restricted their artwork. Lastly, I will address the unfortunate destruction of artists' monumental panels due to the war in Ukraine in the years 2022-2023."

*Top image: Destroyed mosaic, photo by Yevgen Nikiforov.  
Bottom image: Anna Morozova. Photo provided by the presenter.*

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