



SAVE THE DATE

OBSERVANCE OF **Independence Day of Ukraine**

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 24, 2023
IN DOWNTOWN BOSTON**



ANNUAL PICNIC **Boston Ukrainian Independence Day**

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 27, 2023
STARTING AT 12:00 PM**

More details to follow



Agenda:

- **Welcome**
- **Flag Raising Status Update**
- **Picnic**
 - **Site Plan**
 - **Review roles and responsibilities**
 - **Next Steps**
- **Other Topics**
 - **Unfurling Largest Ukrainian Flag**

Flag Raising

Observance of Ukrainian Independence Day
Site-Plan*





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Америки
Вісита у Бостоні

146 Forest Hill Street Boston, MA 02130

UCCABoston@gmail.com

Congressman/woman or Senator
Address Line 1
Address Line 2
Boston, Massachusetts, 02201-2043

June 28, 2023

Dear Congressman/woman or Senator,

As we prepare to celebrate our Nation's Independence, we are reminded once again how fragile democracy is. On behalf of the Ukrainian Congress Committee of America-Boston Branch, we are formally inviting you to participate in this year's commemoration of the 32nd anniversary of Ukraine's independence at Boston City Hall Plaza which will occur on:

- Thursday, August 24th, starting at noon
- At the main flag poles on Boston City Hall Plaza.

This event is a long-standing annual tradition within the Ukrainian American community of Boston. Any brief remarks would be appreciated.

We believe that your appearance would be an important statement of harmony with the Ukrainian American community as it marks Ukraine's hard-won independence from Russian dominance and reaffirms its right to determine its own faith as it stands against the current Russian aggression.

We would also like to express our appreciation for you and your staff's continued engagement in advocating for justice, the rule of law and the right for people to choose their destiny by peaceful means. This support is crucial in the continuing battle for democratic principles against the forces of autocracy. You are helping your constituents, America, Ukraine, and the world, take a stand against coercion, the threat of aggression, and the actual use of unjust war and indiscriminate destruction as valid methods to attain a desired goal.

We plan to post a video celebrating the event on YouTube that evening. If you cannot attend, recorded remarks are welcomed, please forward them to lody@petriv.org. If you or your staff have any questions or concerns regarding either the flag raising or the video greeting, please contact us by email or phone 617-640-1246 cell, we would be happy to help.

Thank you for considering the event.

Yours truly,

Vsevolod Petriv
President

Maria Fedynshyn Saxe
Secretary

We are the elected officials of the Ukrainian Congress Committee of America-Boston Branch which is the umbrella organization representing more than 80,000 Ukrainian Americans in the greater Boston area.

The Ukrainian Congress Committee of America (UCCA) is a non-partisan, not-for-profit organization that has represented the interests of Ukrainian Americans since 1940.

Senators

Ed
Elizabeth

Markey
Warren

Congressman
Congressman

Stephen
Seth

Lynch
Moulton

Congressman
Congressman
Congresswoman
Congresswoman
Congresswoman

Jake
Bill
Katherine
Ayanna
Lori

Auchincloss
Keating
Clark
Pressley
Trahan

Governor

Maura

Healey

Lt. Governor

Kim

Driscoll

Mayor

Michele

Wu

Boston City Council President
Boston City Councilor At-Large
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Ed
Michael
Ruthzee
Julia
Erin

Flynn
Flaherty
Louijeune
Mejia
Murphy

District 6 On Hold

Kendra

Lara

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Flag Raising – Boston City Hall Plaza
32nd Ukrainian Renewed Independence Day - Anniversary Program
12:00 to 12:45 PM August 24, 2023
M.C. Brig. Gen. Len Kondratiuk

Moment of silence

dedicated to the heroes and victims of the struggle for Ukrainian sovereignty.

Opening Prayer

Anthems and flag-raising

American -
Ukrainian -

Flag raiser(s) – Young Girl and Boy dress in folk costumes.

Act of Ukrainian Independence (1 paragraph each)

English -
Ukrainian -

Mayor's Proclamation

Mayor or a designee

Greetings and Addresses

Attending City Council members and/or State officials and/or Community Representatives

Andrew Nyrika (editor Ukrainian Weekly)

Normally 3 two 5 speakers the Mayor could be either the lead off to set the tone or close with final thoughts

Governor's Proclamation

Paul Rabchenuk

Special Mentions

Attendees in the audience who should be noted

Closing Prayer

Followed by the Prayer for Ukraine "Боже Великий Єдиний! (Духовний Гімн України).

Group Photo

Possible Reception or other post Flag Raising activity.



Picnic

ADDITIONAL PARKING

- ★ Bookmarks
- Search bookmarks
- Bookmarks Toolbar
 - Most Visited
 - New Tab Search
 - MIT_Home_Page
 - Software
- Bookmarks Menu
 - Recently Bookma
 - Recent Tags
 - Mozilla Firefox
 - MIT_SYS
 - MIT NIMBUS
- A_InternetOptio
 - Mail - Vsevolc
 - Petriv.org Em
 - Google Maps
 - Video Confer
 - ZOOM - Sign
 - Petriv.org Em
 - UAEC of Bost
 - Independence



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Picnic Site Plan Overview

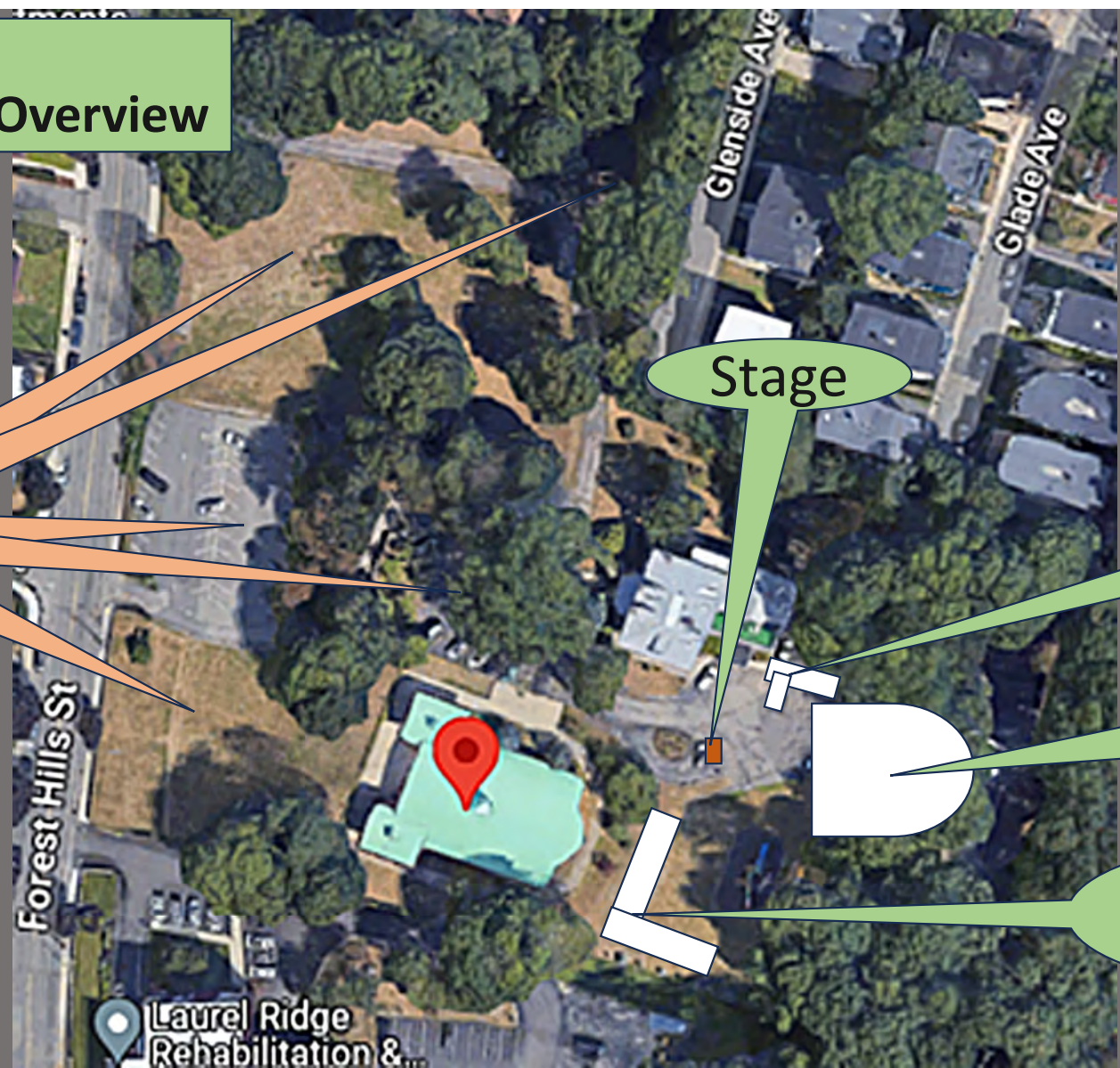
Parking

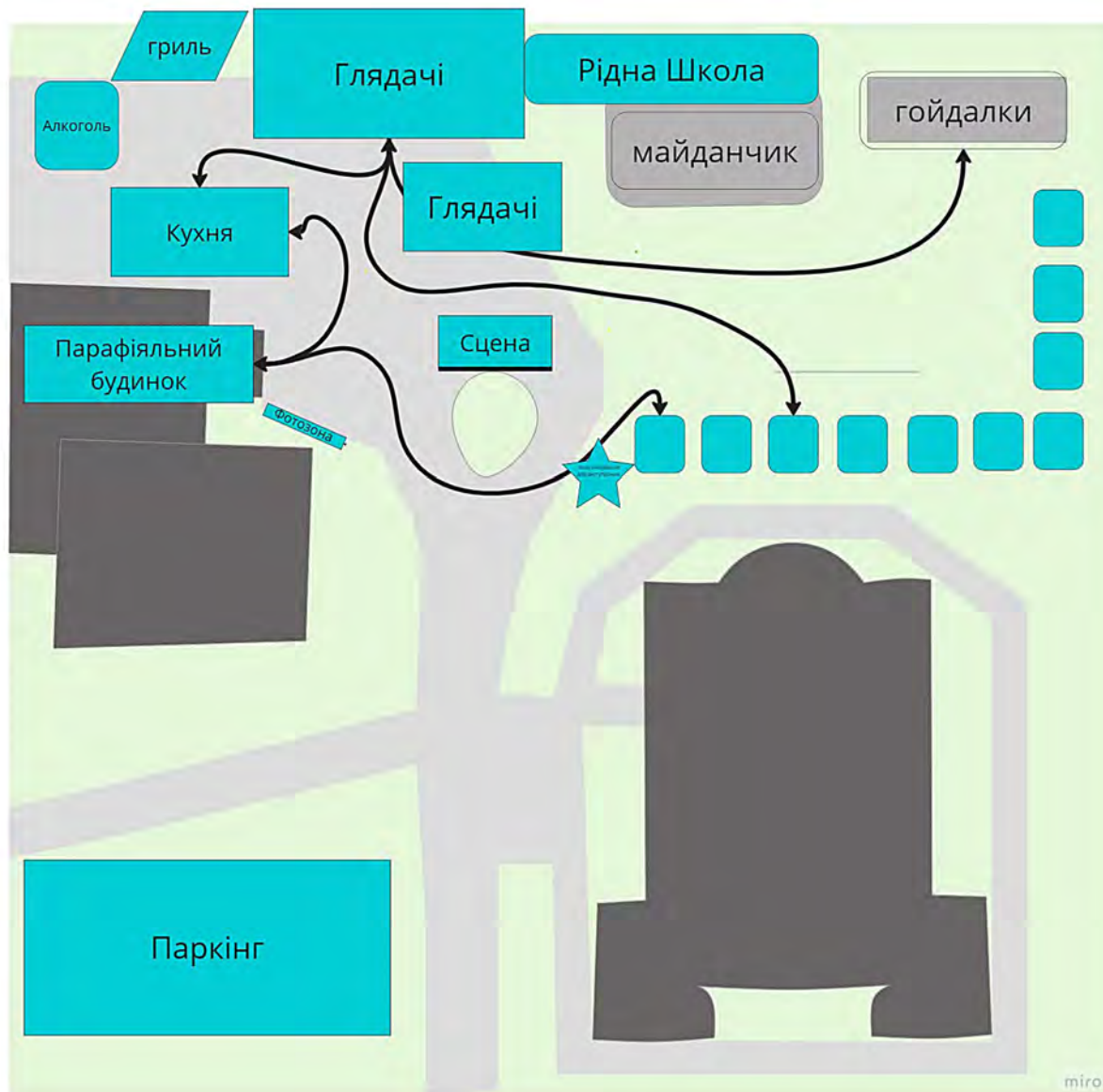
Stage

Food &
refreshments

People/
Audience

Community
Representatives





Site plan detail graphic by UCCN

2023 Ukrainian Independence Picnic Roles

Overall Coordination: – Ensure the Success of the Event –

Prior to the event:

- **Our committee**
- **A Volunteer Coordinator**

During the Event: Provides a central point of contact during the event.

Need to identify how this will work.

Pre-Event Set-up: Not yet discussed

Food: Food Service Plan + Signage - Provide a pleasant gastronomical experience

- Main serving area
 - Prior to the event preparations ?
 - During the event **15-16**
 - Clean and wash 3
 - Menu ?
 - Cash is advertised alternate forms to be tested Roman
- Refreshments: Ukrainian & American Beer/Wine/ Vodka & Cognac/Soda/Water (Victor & Marika) (should water be available at other places for children)
- Desserts: Coffee/Tea: ?

Site Management: involves two related areas these are listed below:

- **Parking: – provide access to parking**
 - Parking plan -Myron with help
 - Signage to Provide access to our event. - (?)
 - Volunteers to direct the cars - Needed.
- **Facilities: – Implement Site Plan – Make sure everything is in place and works well.**
 - Sound System - Anton Popov, Vlad Foygelman
 - Stage Preparation -Andrij Boyko
 - Guest tents and tables placement – (?)
 - Grounds Maintenance - (?)
 - Possible 2-way Radio communication Myron and or Ukraine Forward
 - Total Volunteers (15 minimum, best 20) (Who is church maintenance person?)

Program: – Provide Appropriate Entertainment - 1 director and 1 assistant,

- Short Formal Vsevolod Petriv UCCA (MC) Anton Khelbas,
- Artistic Ivanka UCCN (MCs) Olena / Valeria
- Activities (?) (MC) Anton Kkelbas

Hospitality: – Provide Information and Aid to Participants –

- PLAST with possible UF volunteers (young USA scouts)

Outreach: involves two related areas listed below.

- **Sponsors/Supporting Organizations: –**
 - **Recruit Sponsors/Donations to support the event** (?)
 - **Select Supporting Organizations -** Committee
- **Advertising: – Get the word out before, during, and after the event.**
Ukrainian Boston / UCCN / UCCA and all participating groups
Who is the primary team?

UNFURLING THE WORLD'S LARGEST UKRAINIAN FLAG

THURSDAY

 **AUG 24, 2023 @ 3:00 PM**

 **MILLENNIUM PARK**
300 GARDNER ST, BOSTON, MA 02132





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