

BOOK ON ARMENIANS OF UKRAINE

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The multilingual volume *Armenian-Ukrainian Historical Contacts: Papers of the International Conference held in Lviv, 29–31 May 2008* (*Virmeno-ukraïns'ki istorychni zv'iazky: materialy mizhnarodnoi naukovoï konferentsii (L'viv, 29–31 travnia 2008)*), edited by Kevork Bardakjian, Frank Sysyn, and Andrii Yasinovsky and copublished by CIUS and UCU, appeared in 2011. The book is dedicated to Professor Yaroslav Dashkevych, the great Lviv specialist in Armenian studies, who played a major role in organizing the conference and participated actively in its discussions. Professor Dashkevych passed away on 25 February 2010.

The editors' introductions, written in English and Ukrainian, discuss the context and proceedings of the conference, paying special attention to the significance of Lviv and of Professor Dashkevych in Armenian studies. The volume begins with an article (in Ukrainian and Armenian) by Yaroslav Dashkevych on the ancient Armenian community of Kyiv. Articles by Myron Kapral (in English) and Alexander Osipian (in Ukrainian) deal with the history of the Armenians of Lviv. Karina Pyvovarska writes (in Ukrainian) about the activities of the Armenian Revolutionary Federation in early Soviet Ukraine. Hasmik Step'anyan discusses Armeno-Kipchak literature (in Armenian), and Vardan

Grigorian examines the manuscript tradition of the Armenians of Podilia (in Ukrainian), Konrad Siekierski deals with Armenian religiosity and cult objects (in Polish). Several articles treat the artistic legacy of the Armenians of Ukraine. Iryna Haiuk discusses museum holdings of Armenian artifacts (in Ukrainian). Lilit Pipoyan discusses the architecture of the Surb Khach Monastery in the Crimea, and Anush Ter-Minasyan examines the Armenian cathedral in Lviv (both in Russian). Mik'ayel Aak'elyan discusses the illuminated manuscripts of Galicia, Bukovyna, and Podilia in an English-language article accompanied by numerous illustrations of Armenian masterpieces.

The paperback book can be purchased from CIUS Press for \$17.95 (plus taxes and shipping; outside Canada, prices are in U.S. dollars). Orders can be placed in a number of ways: online by credit card via a secure Internet connection at www.ciuspress.com, by e-mail (at cius@ualberta.ca), by telephone (780/492-2973) or fax (780/492-4967), or by mail: CIUS Press, 430 Pembina Hall, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB, Canada T6G 2H8.

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