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A timely, eye-opening, hard-to-put-down read told in first person about the Holodomor, or genocide of the Ukrainian people by Stalin.

> -Jordan Moore Manitoba educator

HREC Education presents a free webinar series of dynamic talks with authors of middle-grade and young adult fiction featuring their recently published novels relating to the Holodomor. The series will run from Fall of 2022 into Fall of 2023. Webinars will be introduced by HREC Director of Education Valentina Kuryliw and hosted by Mateusz Świetlicki.

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Author Marsha Skrypuch talks about her latest novel, Winterkill

This incredibly gripping and timely story set during the Holodomor in 1930s Ukraine introduces young readers to a pivotal moment in history – and helps students understand current events in Ukraine.

A story about a young Ukrainian boy caught up in collectivization during which almost all foodstuffs were removed from Ukrainian farmers. He meets a Canadian girl whose father was hired by the Soviet government in Ukraine to help implement these changes. What ensues is a story from their perspective of their attempts to survive the manmade famine created by Soviet policies. Winterkill book trailer: www.calla.com/wordpress/winterkill-book-fairs-trailer

Marsha Forchuk Skrypuch is the author of 20+ books for young people which have won many awards. She is a Ukrainian Canadian author acclaimed for her nonfiction and historical fiction who has written about many different human rights issues through the eyes of young children and young adults. www.calla.com/wordpress/about-marsha





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