

Olenka Melnyk Interview Guide

0:30 Olenka Melnyk describes her family history and her family's immigration experience to Canada, including a discussion of the discrimination they faced in Canada as new immigrants.

4:45 Melnyk discusses her own experiences within the Ukrainian community in Victoria, British Columbia and her first trip to Ukraine as a teenager.

9:50 Melnyk describes the significance of her political activity and student activism at the University of Victoria within the broad Canadian context.

12:50 Melnyk discusses the beginning of her journalism career and reintegration into the Ukrainian community in Edmonton. This includes her recollections meeting Myrna Kostash and being introduced to the Hromada Cultural Group.

18:55 Melnyk discusses her journalism career, her book *No Bankers in Heaven*, and how she incorporated Ukrainian, social justice, and women's issues into her work. She contextualizes this discussion by describing how she was introduced to feminism and learned about the nineteenth century feminist movement in Ukraine.

36:00 Melnyk describes the formation of the Hromada Women's Group and some of their activities, including how they celebrated International Women's Day and Malanka.

42:50 Melnyk describes starting the Hromada Housing Co-op and daily life within this environment.

48:00 Melnyk recollects attending The Second Wreath Conference.

53:00 Melnyk recollects on Common Woman Books.

57:20 Final reflections.