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## **Ukraine: One Life At A Time, A Film that Breaks Your Heart Open and Fills it with Hope**

ANNAPOLIS ROYAL, Nova Scotia (December 15, 2022) – Since February 2022, the world has witnessed devastating images of destruction and loss in Ukraine. Stricken by the pain of war in her home country, a Ukrainian Canadian filmmaker searched for solace in telling the stories of broken lives.

With breathtaking scenic shots from pre-war Ukraine and exclusive footage of war-torn cities and towns, “Ukraine: One Life At A Time” provides a heart-wrenching view of the conflict and the lives broken by it.

We meet families from Kyiv, Mariupol, Bucha, and despite the horrors of their experiences, the stories of their journeys culminate in a happy ending—they all made it to the safety of Canada.

Filmmaking partners and old friends, Ethan Neville and Olesya Shyvikova collaborated on this life changing experience.

“In February 2022, I was in a lot of pain, Ethan pushed me out of my comfort zone to make a film about the war and the Ukrainian refugees coming to Canada,” said Shyvikova.

The result of their partnership is “Ukraine: One Life At A Time,” set to screen at ARTSPACE Gallery on Monday, January 16, 2023

“If any war documentary is ever able to break your heart open and fill it back with hope, “Ukraine: One Life At A Time” is the one,” said Ted Lind, Board Member.

*“Ukraine: One Life At A Time, 56 min. upstairs at ARTSPACE, Monday, January 16, 2023 / 7 pm admission by donation (suggested \$10)*

Ethan Alexander Neville is a father of two wonderful kids. Eternal Meditation Explorer. Multimedia Artist. Photographer and Filmmaker. Mindfulness Householder. Creative domestic yogi. Sacred Clown. Guitar “noodler”. The Carrier of the Stone.

Olesya Shyvikova is a Ukrainian Canadian journalist and filmmaker. She has a special passion for documentaries, telling stories of the small marginalized communities, addressing the themes of justice, transformation, healing and lately war.

ARTSPACE is a public Art Gallery that is operated by the Annapolis Region Community Arts Council, a registered non-profit, charitable, community organization dedicated to encouraging and promoting the arts. Supported through the Province of Nova Scotia and the Canada Council for the Arts.

ARTSPACE Gallery is located at 396 St. George Street in Annapolis Royal, Nova Scotia

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