

UKRAINIAN HISTORY AND
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HUTSUL PAINTED PLATE WORKSHOP

CRAFTS FOR KIDS @ UHEC

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Hutsul Painted Plate Workshop

The Hutsul people lived in the Carpathian Mountains in Western Ukraine (also known as *Hutsulshyna*). Centers of artistic craftsmanship developed in places such as Kosiv and Kolomiya in Western Ukraine. They were known for various styles of folk art, including painted ceramic objects which were painted in the distinct brown-green-yellow color scheme.

The designs and painted ornamentation would be used on various decorative folk-art elements in the home, such as tiles, vessels, jugs, plates, or bowls. The designs and patterns were applied freely, usually never marked out or drawn out, not caring whether the figures would come together. Their ornamentation used a wide range of geometric and floral patterns: angles, taps, circles, rhombs, straight and wavy lines, flowers, animals or vessels. In addition to these motifs, tiles and plates would have drawn and painted on scenes of village life that was typical of the Hutsul people (i.e. horse-drawn carriage or the plowing of a field). The most popular subjects in painting are horse-driven carriages: a postman riding in a carriage announcing his presence with a horn, a lord having a ride and his cabman sitting in the carriage driven by two pairs of horses harnessed in tandem.



In this workshop, young artists will learn about this painting style of the Hutsul people and recreate their own painted decorative plate.

Supply List for Workshop

- Styrofoam or Paper Plate (not glossy)-dinner plate size
- Pencil
- Permanent Marker
- Acrylic Paint (Brown, Yellow, Green, White/Cream)
- Paint Brushes (small and medium sizes)
- Water (to rinse brushes)
- Paper Towels
- Protected Workspace

Crafts for Kids with the UHEC

Sunday afternoon workshops will provide a hands-on opportunity for kids to learn about Ukrainian art, culture and history based on objects found in the UHEC Museum Collection. Participants will go home with a craft at the end of the workshop. Suitable for grade school aged children.