

12 YEARS OF THE RUSSIAN INVASION

4 YEARS OF THE FULL-SCALE WAR



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Topic: **FORCEFUL DEPORTATION OF UKRAINIAN CHILDREN TO RUSSIA & VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS DOCUMENTED IN UKRAINE**



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Topic: **MILITARY SITUATION IN UKRAINE, THE MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO UKRAINE, THE IMPACT OF THE RUSSIAN INVASION OF UKRAINE ON INTERNATIONAL SECURITY**



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Topic: PROSPECTS FOR **JUST PEACE IN UKRAINE** – HOW UKRAINIANS ARE SEEING THE END OF THE WAR



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In winter 2013-2014, Prof. Haran was a member of the Council of ‘Maidan’ movement. In 2014-2016 as a political scientist he spent several weeks at the frontline nearby Mariupol, Luhansk, Avdiivka, and Donetsk airport. For 15 ye/ars he was a member of Public Council under Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine.

Topic: **UKRAINIAN ART AND THE REFLECTION OF UKRAINIAN FIGHT FOR FREEDOM IN MODERN UKRAINIAN ART**



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“The Forest” interactive performance for children | 2021 South Africa

“Show me your Christmas” poetry and dance performance | 2019 South Africa

“FENCE” contemporary dance performance | 2019 South Africa, 2018 Ukraine

Topics: **UKRAINIAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN CIVIL SOCIETY COOPERATION.**
RESPONSES OF SOUTH AFRICANS TO THE WAR IN UKRAINE. JUST PEACE DIALOGUE.
INTERNATIONAL EVENT "STAND WITH UKRAINE"



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Since the full-scale invasion of Ukraine in February 2022, Dzvinka has focused on South African responses to the Russian war in Ukraine and on the influence of this war on the African continent.

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