



# UKRAINIAN ASSOCIATION OF NEW ZEALAND

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From left to right Olga & Marta Klish, Sophiya Poshyvaylo-Towler, Paul Towler, Andrew Fedchuk, Margaret Vernugora

## Auckland International Carnival Ukrainians During Opening Parade

Dear friends,

I would like to congratulate all of us with the more than successful participation of the UANZ at the inaugural Auckland International Carnival. We did not only give it a good go, but were among the contenders to get to the top three. Every member of our community who took part - I want to underscore this fact that it was EVERYONE - threw his/her heart into the common idea, dedicated plenty of time to make it happen and eventually made history.

Our community as a whole will definitely be remembered by numerous spectators who gathered at the Elleslie on 6th of November. At the same time, any community is nothing without personalities. Gryts Serhijenko, the first Chairman of the UANZ and the proud flag bearer at the Carnival, took the panel by surprise with his outstanding dance. Mr. Demjin Doroshenko, a new face at the UANZ who became a very active member, impressively joined Gryts in the first line, in front of the main group. Paul Towler's ability to quietly and very effectively solve any of the logistics-related issue was something to not forget - he was everywhere to help everyone. The Yushchenkos took responsibility for beautifying the vehicle with the absolutely stunning 'veenok' - pani Valentyna deserves a special credit for such an incredible piece of work. The UANZ's very own Maestro Oleksandr

Radchenko effectively directed the 'live music part' of the performance - the unique Ukrainian folk music was heard for everybody's pleasure. Nina & Anatoly Shvachko significantly enhanced our community's 'singing capability' - their clear voices framed the group's presentation. Taras Klish used his professional skill to set up the 'recorded music' segment - the sound of the Cossack-times melodies sometimes overpowered even the noisy drummers standing beside our group. The masters of all trades - Serhiy Fedchuk, Igor Yushchenko, Kyrylo Yushchenko and Gryts Serhijenko showed how to use their truly golden hands to attach the canvases & mount the vault onto the parade car. Tetyana Krasovska, Maria Klish & Lyubov Radchenko successfully looked after kids - never an easy task by all means. Also, we should not forget the role of the Olesandr and Lidia Yudiny, our artistic couple, as their wonderful painting & work on canvas applications were noted by the panel with delight.

Please view this You Tube link to get the whole picture <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-3y-bnkzC08>

Yours sincerely,  
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# AUCKLAND INTERNATIONAL CARNIVAL UKRAINIANS ON PARADE

*"Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success."*

**- Henry Ford**



Valentyna Yushchenko & Tetyana Krasovska decorating the vehicle



Gryts Gerhijenko & Demjin Doroshenko



Maestro -Olesandr Radchenko, Nina & Anatoly Shvachko, Valentyna Yushchenko



Front sign of our community vehicle by Oleksandr Yudin & beautiful flower wreath by Valentyna Yushchenko



Serhiy & Andrew Fedchuk