





WOMEN OF BANDURA

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MISSION STATEMENT

Created in collaboration with WBENA, WOB focuses on the intersections of Ukrainian diaspora and gender, specifically showcasing how women have and continue to be leaders in the survival and growth of the bandura, national instrument of Ukraine and symbol of its rich history and right to sovereignty.



BANDURA FACTS

Bandura is a Ukrainian stringed instrument that looks like a lute and plays like a harp. Historically played by *kobzari* (wandering bards) and is a symbol of Ukrainian national identity



WHO IS WBENA?

A 20-member bandura and vocal group, driven by their passion for the bandura and the Ukrainian musical tradition, maintaining important cultural motifs while expanding the instrument's horizons.



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