

WORLDS SERVICE CONFERENCE  
SHARATHON REPORT 2024

**Tradition 1- Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon A.R.T.S. unity.**

Two Monday's a month, Cindyann W., Eddied-Ed O., Erica L., Jane H., Jay M. and Marcie O. serve the Sharathon Group Planning meeting, on Zoom, at 10 am PT/ 1 pm ET. to plan each event. What surprises us all is the good time we have offering our service to the fellowship meeting the primary purpose of A.R.T.S. Anonymous. The theme of each event reflects seasons of the year: winter, spring, summer and fall. Our graphic designer Marcie, creates colorful festive flyers to communicate our Sharathon events. (Take a look.) Jay assists our tech needs, posts the flyer on our website and MC's our evens sometimes. Cindyann sets up the Ticket Tailor and Zoom room, Eddie-Ed MC's each event with his zeal and wit, Erica opens our zoom introductions in German and invites others to in greet us in their language. Jane authored our last Newsletter Review. There's a job for everyone, you too if you would like to join the fun and be part of our Planning Group. Let us know at: [sharathon@artsanonymous.org](mailto:sharathon@artsanonymous.org).

**Tradition 3 - The only requirement for A.R.T.S. membership is a desire to identify and express our creativity.**

As our fellowship comes together to celebrate our creative life, the average attendance is 20 to 25, raising an average donation fund of \$190.00 per event. These events could not happen without the support of the A.R.T.S. Office provisions for communication, and the avenues for obtaining tickets and the Zoom event platform permitting us to celebrate the art from others around the world: Australia, Austria, Germany, Norway, Russia, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and across the United States.

**Tradition 5 - Each group has but one primary purpose – to carry its message to the artist who still suffers.**

In March of this year, Sharathon inspired Russia to hold their own art share event:

“Welcome to our first S•A•R•A•F•A•N (Sharathon in Russian), which will take place on March 1 at 19:00 MSK (16:00 GMT, 11am ET time). We invite everyone (the leader knows English, and will be able to make small translations, so non-Russian-speakers will be able to share their art, if it doesn't include big parts of text in English(☺)).”

I never imagined it would be possible for us to celebrate art making with artists in Russia, but it happened via Zoom, I was there. It was a brilliant experience!

It would be wonderful if groups in your local held a Sharathon event as well. Our planning group and the A.R.T.S. Anonymous office are happy to support your inspiration to do so. Contact: [sharathon@artsanonymous.org](mailto:sharathon@artsanonymous.org).

Our events have not always gone completely without a glitch now and then. And yet, attending members met these glitches with grace, patience and helpful understanding in a way that encouraged us to keep it going.

A heartfelt thank you for your attendance and participation to the Sharathon events. Without you it just wouldn't happen. Our next event will take place this winter. We look forward to see you there.

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