## WFWP Budapest, Hungary: Traditional Ukrainian Samchykivsky Painting

Katsuyo Bendzsa December 7, 2024



We welcomed five guests from Ukraine to Budapest and held a painting program at the Embassy of Peace on December 7th 2024.

Before the program, we had a 20-minute meeting with the artists. The meeting was led by Mrs. Erzsébet Sturmné Tomka, president of UPF Hungary. It was a good time for the artists to discuss the theme of art from various perspectives. The main guest was Mrs. Marina Sarkisyan, a WFWP Peace Ambassador of Ukraine.



The first part of the program was a painting class taught by Mrs. Marina. The second part was an introduction of the activities of WFWP Ukraine since the start of the war by WFWP Vice Chairman Mrs. Anna Kalmatskaya, as well as the activities of WFWP Hungary by Mrs. Hilda Granc and Mrs. Gabriella

Papné Dancsó. The report on activities in Ukraine especially impressed the participants.



We invited six members of a Ukrainian chorus to sing for the opening ceremony. Also we had traditional Ukrainian snacks. The number of participants was around 35, including two Peace Ambassadors and three new guests.

We had a great opportunity to spend a nice time together before Christmas to interact with women from neighboring countries and build friendships.



We sincerely pray for peace in Ukraine and support our friends who live in Ukraine as our neighboring country.

The next day, Sunday, 8th Dec the members enjoyed sightseeing in Budapest and concluded the trip.

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