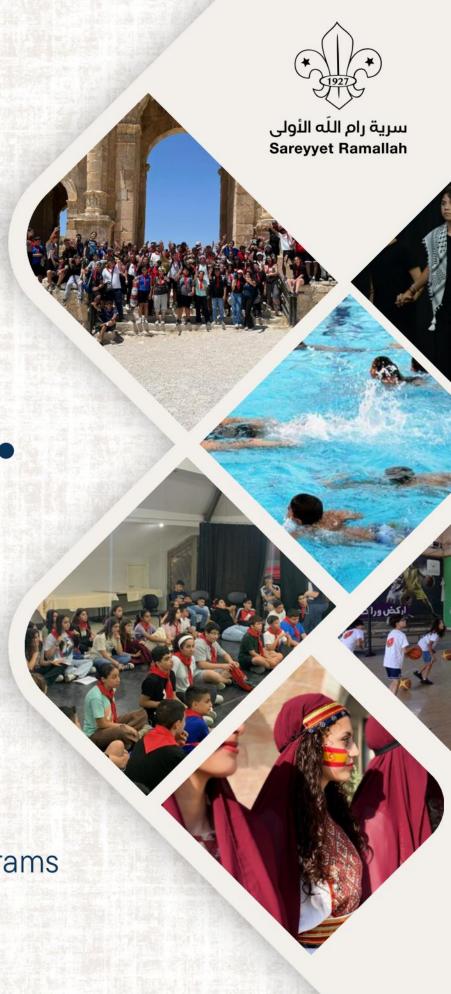
SAREYYET RAMALLAH
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Dear Esteemed Audience and Valued Members,

We are pleased to present the third narrative report of Sareyyet Ramallah, covering the period from July to September 2024. During the summer of 2024, Sareyyet Ramallah welcomed thousands of citizens and members who benefited from its services and participated in diverse programs and activities. Sareyyet Ramallah General Assembly held its annual ordinary meeting, during which the administrative and financial reports for 2023 were approved.

Continuing to provide services to the local community, and with the support of its members and friends, Sareyyet Ramallah provided 252 school bags, distributed to Jenin and Tulkarem refugee camps. Additionally, it made its facilities available to 9 institutions, companies, and youth groups.

To strengthen ties with our fellow Palestinians within the Green Line, Sareyyet Ramallah hosted 130 young boys and girls from our communities.

Sareyyet Ramallah Board, along with its Scout Council, working committees, and staff, organized an array of distinctive programs and activities, including scouting events and courses, lectures on cybercrimes and drug prevention, the graduation of 470 participants from swimming courses with the establishment of a Sareyyet Ramallah swimming team, and sports tours to Jordan for the U-18 boys' basketball team and the women's football team in collaboration with the Orthodox Club of Amman. Additionally, Sareyyet Ramallah launched the Nassif Hussary Basketball Academy, opened a dance school with traditional Dabkeh workshops, continued rehearsals for the folkloric performance "Deir Al-Balah," and hosted film screenings, and hiking trails. This year's summer at Sareyyet Ramallah was rich with activities and programs, ensuring the organization's vibrant presence continues to shine, thanks to the dedication of its members and supporters who believe in its mission.

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Administrative Affairs

Sareyyet Ramallah General Assembly Holds Its Annual Meeting

On July 3, Sareyyet Ramallah General Assembly held its annual meeting, with 59 members attending. During the meeting, the administrative and financial reports for 2023 were discussed and approved. Additionally, the General Assembly endorsed the Board of Directors' recommendation to appoint the Quality Auditing and Financial & Tax Consultancy Company to audit Sareyyet Ramallah accounts for the 2024–2026 term.

Farewell Ceremony for Sareyyet Ramallah Players and Members of the Folkloric Dance Troupe

In August, Sareyyet Ramallah organized farewell ceremonies for several players from its U-18 junior basketball team, including Omar Ali, Ibrahim Ali, Kamal Shamshoum, and Elias Al-Baba from the senior men's basketball team. The ceremony also bid farewell to Carmen Saleh, Toulin Assaf, and Jana Ghazal, members of Sareyyet Ramallah Folkloric Dance Company, who departed to pursue their studies abroad.

Sareyyet Ramallah Signs an MoU with Ramallah Municipality for the "Adopt a Street" Project

On September 23, Sareyyet Ramallah signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Ramallah Municipality regarding the "Adopt a Street" project. This initiative aims to strengthen collaboration between Ramallah Municipality and community institutions.

Sareyyet Ramallah adopted Labeeb Hishmeh Street as part of the project, committing to its regular cleaning and aesthetic enhancement. This initiative is part of the municipality's broader effort, launched in partnership with the private sector and community organizations, to encourage active participation in maintaining the city's cleanliness and beauty. Sareyyet Ramallah emphasizes its commitment to environmental and social responsibility through this project.

"National Beverage Company" and Sareyyet Ramallah Sign Agreement to Renew Sponsorship of Women's Football Team

On September 10, the National Beverage Company and t Sareyyet Ramallah signed an agreement to renew the sponsorship of Sareyyet Ramallah Women's Football Team for the twelve consecutive year, extending the partnership for another full year.

The signing ceremony took place at the company's headquarters in Beitunia, with the attendance of Mr. Imad Al-Hindi, General Manager of the National Beverage Company; Mr. Jad Kandah, Chairman of the Board of Directors of Sareyyet Ramallah; Mr. Asaad Al-Husary, Head of the Sports Committee; Mrs. Habab Issa board member of Sareyyet Ramallah Mr. Khaled Elayyan, Executive Director of Sareyyet Ramallah; Mr. Waseem Abu Dawood, Sports Affairs Coordinator at Sareyyet Ramallah; and Mr. Alaa Isawi, Technical and Public Relations Coordinator at the National Beverage Company.



Visits and Hosting Events

Sareyyet Ramallah and Al-Nahda Women Association Discuss Strengthening Cooperation

On July 9, Sareyyet Ramallah administration welcomed a delegation from Al-Nahda Women Association, led by the association's president, Nadia Misleh, its director, George Rantisi, and several board members.

Mr. Jad Kandah, Chairman of Sareyyet Ramallah Board, greeted the delegation and emphasized the importance of maintaining and strengthening cooperation between the two organizations, particularly in preparation for Al-Nahda Women Association's centennial celebration next year.

The meeting was attended by Mr. Asaad Husary, Board Member; Mr. Khaled Elayyan, Executive Director; Ms. Marwa Soufan, Public Relations Officer; and Mr. Raed Milad, Facilities Officer, representing Sareyyet Ramallah.

At the conclusion of the meeting, Al-Nahda Women Association presented an honorary shield to Sareyyet Ramallah as a token of appreciation.

A Delegation from the Ramallah and Al-Bireh Scout Commission Visits Sareyyet Ramallah

On August 14, Sareyyet Ramallah hosted a delegation from the Ramallah and Al-Bireh Scout Commission, headed by the commission's president, Scout Leader Naeem Khourieh. The meeting was attended by Sareyyet Ramallah Board of Directors and Scout Council members. Discussions focused on exchanging ideas to enhance cooperation, particularly in organizing training courses for scout leaders and scout teams.

Sareyyet Ramallah Hosts 130 Youth from Palestinian Communities Inside the Green

On August 24, Sareyyet Ramallah welcomed a delegation of 130 young boys and girls from Palestinian communities inside the Green Line, as part of the 22nd Arab Youth Conference.

During the day, Sareyyet Ramallah organized an introductory meeting to familiarize the guests with Sareyyet Ramallah and its facilities. Icebreaker activities were arranged to foster interaction between Sareyyet Ramallah members and the visiting delegation.

The program included a dabkeh workshop, scouting games, football and basketball matches, and darts competitions. Additionally, Sareyyet Ramallah bagpipe team performed a scouting display, with participation from some of the guests.

The event concluded with a mini-performance by Sareyyet Ramallah Folkloric Dance Company, showcasing excerpts from their upcoming production, Deir Al-Balah. The production features ten folkloric dances inspired by songs from the city of Deir Al-Balah, created in collaboration with the Nawah Association for Culture and Arts in Deir Al-Balah.

Scholarships in Sareyyet Ramallah Arts and Sports Schools

In light of the challenging circumstances in the country and to provide opportunities for underprivileged students, Sareyyet Ramallah administration has decided to reduce tuition fees for Sareyyet Ramallah Dance School and the Nassif Hussary Basketball Academy. Additionally, scholarships were made available for students in both schools.

Sareyyet Ramallah awarded a total of 11 scholarships, including 8 for the Nassif Hussary Basketball Academy and 3 for the Dance School.



Visits and Hosting Events

Sareyyet Ramallah Hosts Mr. Basem Hishmeh

On September 10, Sareyyet Ramallah welcomed Mr. Basem Hishmeh, a Palestinian businessman and one of the key supporters of Sareyyet Ramallah programs and activities.

The meeting was attended by Mr. Saleem Nassif Hussary, Vice Chairman of Sareyyet Ramallah; board members Mr. Asaad Hussary and Mr. Raed Haddad; Mr. Khaled Elayyan, Executive Director; Mr. Michel Qreitem, former Chairman of the Sareyyet Ramallah Board; and Ms. Nadia Misleh, former Board Member.

During the meeting, Mr. Hishmeh was introduced to the various programs and activities organized by Sareyyet Ramallah in 2024. The discussion also highlighted Sareyyet Ramallah humanitarian role during the Israeli aggression on Gaza, which included providing food parcels and school bags to families in need.

Sareyyet Ramallah and Ramallah Municipality Discuss Strengthening Cooperation

On August 22, Sareyyet Ramallah hosted Mr. Issa Kassis, Mayor of Ramallah, in a meeting attended by Mr. Jad Kandah, Chairman of the Sareyyet Board; Mr. Saleem Nassif Hussary, Vice Chairman; and Mr. Raed Haddad, Board Member.

The meeting focused on introducing the Mayor to Sareyyet Ramallah programs and activities and exploring ways to enhance the partnership between the municipality and Sareyyet Ramallah. Mayor Kassis expressed his appreciation for Sareyyet Ramallah significant contributions, especially given the current challenges faced by the Palestinian people.

Sareyyet Ramallah Explores Collaboration with Palestine Association for Children's Encouragement of Sports (PACES) in Sports

On July 25, Sareyyet Ramallah held a meeting with Palestine Association for Children's Encouragement of Sports (PACES) to discuss potential collaboration in the field of sports.

The meeting was attended by Mr. Asaad Hussary, Board Member and Head of the Sports Committee; Mr. Khaled Elayyan, Executive Director; Ms. Marwa Soufan, Public Relations Officer; Mr. Waseem Abu Dawood, Sports Coordinator at Sareyyet Ramallah; Ms. Raya Abu Ziyad, Director of PACES Association; and Mr. Ramzi Musarsa, Sports Development Officer at the Association.

The discussions centered on opportunities to strengthen cooperation between the two organizations in sports-related initiatives.



Media

Production of Promotional Videos for the Dance School and the Nassif Hussary Basketball Academy

Sareyyet Ramallah produced a promotional video featuring graduates of its Dance School who continued as dancers in the "Danadeesh" Folk Dance Company, later advancing to the main Folk Dance Company and becoming assistant trainers in the Dance School.

Additionally, Sareyyet Ramallah created 22 short videos during the reporting period to promote the Dance School and the Nassif Hussary Basketball Academy. These videos highlighted the training programs of the schools and were designed for dissemination across the Sareyyet Ramallah social media platforms.

Publication of the Second Quarterly Newsletter

Sareyyet Ramallah released its second quarterly newsletter, covering the period from April to June 2024. The newsletter featured news, summaries of activities, and programs organized by Sareyyet Ramallah during this timeframe. It was distributed through Sareyyet Ramallah official website, social media platforms, and via email.

"School Bag Program" Featured on Ajyal Radio and Roya TV

Ajyal Radio and Roya TV hosted Mr. Khaled Elayyan, Executive Director of Sareyyet Ramallah, to discuss the School Bag Program. Through this initiative, 252 school bags were distributed to students in the Tulkarem and Jenin refugee camps.

During the interviews, Mr. Elayyan emphasized Sareyyet Ramallah commitment as a community institution to supporting families in need, particularly given the challenging circumstances faced by the Palestinian people.

Sareyyet Ramallah Sports Program Gains Attention in Local Newspapers

In collaboration with journalist Bassam Abu Arrah, local newspapers Al-Quds, Al-Ayyam, and Al-Hayat Al-Jadida published a feature on Sareyyet Ramallah sports program.

The report provided an overview of Sareyyet Ramallah rich sports history and highlighted its current programs, showcasing its ongoing contributions to the athletic community.



Facilities

Presentation of Initial Plans for the General Site Development Project During a Meeting with "Engineering Cooperative" and "Design Studio"

As part of the General Site Development Project for Sareyyet Ramallah, a meeting was held on August 22 between Sareyyet Ramallah management and representatives from the Engineering Cooperative and Design Studio offices. During the meeting, the initial plans for the site development project were presented in the presence of Sareyyet Ramallah Board of Directors and Engineer Dima Ersan, who kindly volunteered to collaborate on the project.

The Engineering Cooperative and Design Studio provided a summary of the project, which consists of four phases:

- Enhancing facilities within the sports hall, including areas for children's games, dance training halls, and offices.
- Renovating the main Sareyyet Ramallah building and adding parking spaces.
- Upgrading the children's park.
- Constructing a new center with a swimming pool, cafeterias, a health club, and guest accommodations.

Renovation of the Health Club and Indoor Sports Hall

Sareyyet Ramallah completed the renovation of its health club and indoor sports hall in preparation for welcoming students of Sareyyet Ramallah Dance School and the Nassif Hussary Basketball Academy at the beginning of September 2024.

Sareyyet Ramallah Facilities Serving the Local Community

Sareyyet Ramallah provides its various facilities to local institutions. The facilities have been used by the following organizations:

- Arab Bank.
- Sbitany Company.
- Right to Movement.
- Palestinian Basketball Federation.
- Al-Tireh Neighbourhood Committee.
- Palestinian Darts Federation.
- Therapist Violette Banda.
- The Archival Collective Palestine.
- Palestine Association for Children's Encouragement of Sports (PACES).



Partnerships

- · Ramallah Municipality.
- Palestinian Police.
- Edward Said National Conservatory of Music.
- Engineering for Kids Foundation.
- · Claydough.
- Jerusalem District Electricity Company (JDECO).
- Palestinian Civil Defense.
- Palestinian Life Charity Association.
- Palestinian Fencing Federation.
- Al-Meera National Products Company.
- The Palestine Red Crescent Society (PRCS).
- · Tamer Institute for Community Education.

Donations and Grants to Sareyyet Ramallah

During the third quarter of 2024, Sareyyet Ramallah received numerous financial and in-kind contributions to support its various programs and activities. The organization extends its heartfelt gratitude and appreciation to all donors for their generous support and trust in the Sareyyet Ramallah mission. The donors included:

- Muna & Basem Hishmeh Foundation.
- The Arab Fund for Arts and Culture (AFAC)
- Company Dyptik France
- Company e United States of America



Scouting Affairs

Scouting Activity for Sareyyet Ramallah Members

On July 19, the Scouting Council organized an activity for Sareyyet Ramallah members, with the participation of 60 members. The event included a variety of competitions, challenges, and scouting-related activities.

Lecture on Genetics, Diseases, and the Role of Scouts

On July 27, the "Fadwa Toukan" patrol from the Girl Scouts of Sareyyet Ramallah organized a lecture titled "Genetics, Diseases, and the Role of Scouts." The session was delivered by Dr. Youssef Ansara and supervised by leaders Henriette Elemi and Tala Abu Al-Thabet.

Scouting Day for Cubs and Brownies

On August 9, the Scouting Council organized a scouting day for the Cubs and Brownies groups, with 68 members participating, supported by 28 volunteers from the Beginners and Guides groups. The event was led by Tamar Hishmeh and Christine Shunnara and featured various recreational and scouting activities.

Lecture on Cybercrime and Prevention

In collaboration with the Palestinian Police, the Scouting Council held a lecture on September 12 about cybercrime and ways to prevent it. The session was attended by 70 members from the Guides and Beginners groups of both genders. The council extended its heartfelt thanks to Major Mohammad Nammoura for his valuable contribution to the success of this event.

Lecture on Drug Prevention

On September 21, the Scouting Council, in collaboration with the Palestinian Police, organized a lecture on drug prevention. The session aimed to raise awareness among the members of the organization about the importance of combating drug abuse.

An introductory session on the basics of first aid

In collaboration with the Palestinian Red Crescent Society, the Scout Council organized an introductory session on the basics of first aid on September 7th for a group of Cubs and Scouts. The session was attended by 50 Cubs and Scouts.



Sports Affairs

Graduation of Four Swimming Courses in Summer 2024

During the reporting period, Sareyyet Ramallah organized four swimming courses, with participation from 470 trainees of various age groups, including youth and children. The training sessions were conducted by a qualified team of three certified trainers, holding certifications in coaching and lifeguarding from the Palestinian Swimming and Aquatics Federation.

The courses were overseen by Mr. Raed Milad, the Facilities Officer at Sareyyet Ramallah, alongside trainers Faris Odeh, Ramadan Ataya, Lara Milad, and Fatima Khadoori.

Sareyyet Ramallah Concludes Sports Tour in Jordan

In collaboration with Orthodox Club Amman, Sareyyet Ramallah concluded its sports training tour for the U-18 Junior Basketball Team and the Women's Football Team in Jordan, where the basketball team played three training matches, including two against Orthodox Club Amman and one against Jordan's Al-Ittihad Club, during the period of August 1–6, while the women's football team participated in two training matches against Orthodox Club Amman's women's team from August 25–28. This tour aimed to foster the exchange of expertise, strengthen sports cooperation with Orthodox Club Amman, and provide opportunities for Sareyyet Ramallah players to engage in training matches amid the suspension of the Palestinian leagues due to the Israeli aggression on Gaza Strip.

Organizing Aqua Aerobics Classes for Women

Sareyyet Ramallah, in collaboration with trainer Salwa Al-Baba, organized weekly Aqua Aerobics classes for women during the summer of 2024.

Five Sareyyet Ramallah Players Join the National Junior Basketball Team

The Palestinian Basketball Federation selected five players from Sareyyet Ramallah to join the Palestine National Junior Basketball Team, which participated in the West Asia Championship held in Baghdad, Iraq, in July 2024. The players are Basel Alam, Ibrahim Ali, Nassri Shamieh, Kamal Shamshoum, and Omar Ali.



Sports Affairs

Friendly Match Between Sareyyet Ramallah and Jerusalem Academy

On July 19, Sareyyet Ramallah organized a friendly basketball match between its under-16 girls' basketball team and the Jerusalem Academy team at Sareyyet Ramallah hall.

Basketball Sports Day with Master Coach Academy

On August 23, the Sports Department organized a basketball sports day in collaboration with Master Coach Academy. Four matches were held for the under-14 girls' team, under-16 boys' team, and under-18 boys' team.

These matches aimed to provide experience, interaction, and competition opportunities.

Sareyyet Ramallah teams were coached by Salim Naef Hussary, Nader Martha, and Odai Shkokani.

Opening of Nassif Hussary Basketball Academy

In September, Sareyyet Ramallah inaugurated the Nassif Hussary Basketball Academy for children aged 6–14 years.

The Academy is technically supervised by Coach Salim Naef Hussary and administratively managed by Aghsan Al-Barghouthi.

Training is conducted by a team of Sareyyet Ramallah coaches, including Nader Martha, Nadine Abu Ghazaleh, Odai Shkokani, Ammar Salem, Mustafa Shkokani, Jude Dahadha, and Tia Twasha.

The Academy aims to develop children's basketball skills and integrate them into Sareyyet Ramallah teams in the future, ensuring the continuity and sustainability of Sareyyet Ramallah teams.

Foundational Basketball Course for Girls Aged 10-13

On August 1, the Sports Department organized a foundational basketball course for girls aged 10–13. The course aims to strengthen the under-14 girls' basketball team and is supervised by Coach Nader Martha.

Formation of Sareyyet Ramallah Swimming Team

At the beginning of July, Sareyyet Ramallah announced the formation of its swimming team. A total of 60 applicants registered, and a skills assessment test was conducted on July 3 in the presence of Mr. Raed Milad, Facilities Officer and swimming coach; Mr. Waseem Abu Dawood, Sports Affairs Coordinator; and Mr. Asaad Hussary, Head of the Sports Committee.

The evaluation committee, led by Coach Raed Milad a well-known figure in swimming who has participated in numerous Arab and international courses and championships and serves as Secretary of the Palestinian Swimming and Aquatic Sports Federation also included coaches Fares Odeh, Ramadan Ataya, and Lara Elimi.

Twenty-six applicants were selected to participate in an intensive summer training course. At the end of the first course, participants were evaluated for readiness to join a second intensive course set to run from October 2024 until summer 2025, after which the final members of Sareyyet Ramallah swimming team will be chosen.



Artistic Affairs

Opening of Sareyyet Ramallah Dance School 2024-2025

Sareyyet Ramallah opened its Dance School for the 2024-2025 season on September 18, under the supervision of the dance and folk-dance instructors from the organization.

The school targets children aged 3 to 15 years and will run until May 2025. The opening included a folk-dance performance by Sareyyet Ramallah Folklore Dance Company and the Danadeesh Dance Company, as well as a film presentation about the artistic history of Sareyyet Ramallah Dance Companies.

Folklore Dance Workshop for Adults

Sareyyet Ramallah organized a folklore dance workshop for adults on August 14 and 21, with the participation of 7 trainees, in collaboration with coach Fares Soufan. The workshop included an introductory session on folk dance and its basic movements.

Agreement with Artist Ghassoub Sarhan for Designing Costumes for "Deir Al-Balah" Folkloric Dance Performance

Sareyyet Ramallah reached an agreement with artist Ghassoub Sarhan to design the costumes for the folkloric Dance Performance "Deir Al-Balah," which includes 10 dances of traditional women's songs from the city of Deir Al-Balah in the Gaza Strip. The performance is being produced by Sareyyet Ramallah Dance Company in collaboration with the Nawa Association for Culture and Arts.

The production team held several meetings with artist Ghassoub Sarhan, resulting in an agreement on the proposed costume design.

Additionally, Sareyyet Ramallah Folklore Dance Company organized a workshop from August 5–7, during which intensive rehearsals for the folkloric dance performance were conducted, along with an introduction to the history, culture, and musical heritage of Deir Al-Balah. The company members also discussed the content of the songs that will be produced for the performance.

Training of Trainers (ToT) Workshop for Dance School

The Technical Department organized a Training of Trainers (ToT) workshop on August 15–16 in preparation for the opening of Sareyyet Ramallah Dance School, with the participation of 12 trainers. The workshop was supervised by trainers Jameel Sahweil, Fares Soufan, and Hala Sweidan.



Cultural and Social Affairs

Launch of School Bags Campaign

In July, Sareyyet Ramallah launched a donation campaign for the "School Bags" project to support underprivileged families and advocate for the right to education.

The campaign successfully collected 252 school bags along with stationery, which were distributed in the Jenin and Tulkarem refugee camps, in collaboration with Tamer Institute for Community Education.

Conclusion of Maysa Khoury Summer Camp for Children

Sareyyet Ramallah concluded its annual "Maysa Khoury Summer Camp for Children," which started on June 23 with the participation of 165 children. The camp was managed by Wael Al-Haj Mohammad, Ishraq Maswadeh, and several experienced trainers in child training and care.

The camp's program, which ran until July 30, included sports activities such as football, basketball, karate, swimming, chess, and music in collaboration with the Edward Said National Conservatory of Music, as well as folklore dance and handicrafts.

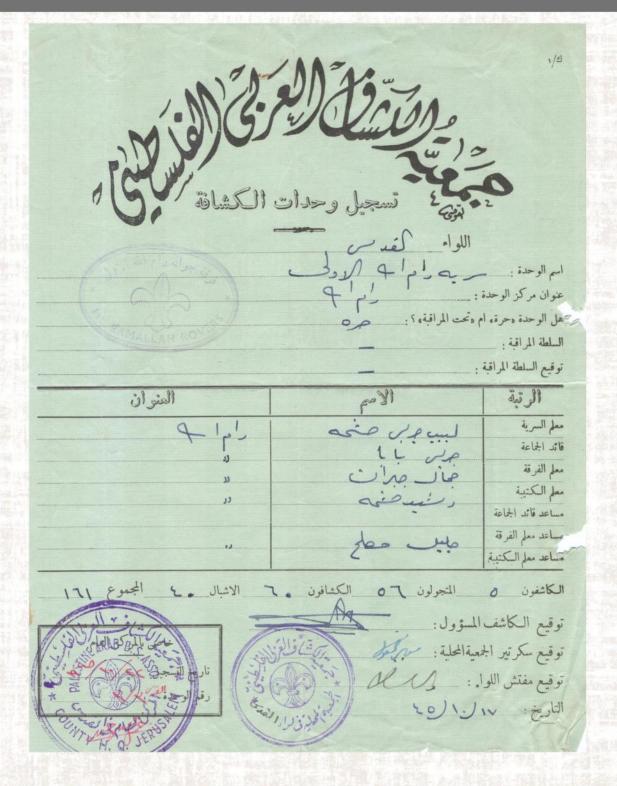
Screening of the Film "Unspoken Stories: From Zero Distance"

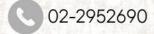
Sareyyet Ramallah screened the film "From Zero Distance" on September 25, which represents Palestine at the 2024 Oscars. The film consists of 22 short films presented by 22 Palestinian artists from the Gaza Strip. It tells "unspoken stories" about the

events of the ongoing genocide in Gaza since October 7, 2023.

Exploratory walking trail to: Exploratory Hiking Trail for Sareyyet Ramallah Members

On July 24, Sareyyet Ramallah Membership Committee organized an exploratory walking trail, with 21 male and female members of all ages participating. The trail began with a journey to the village of Saffa, followed by a musical evening and a meal.







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