

Monthly Meeting Ideas

2 Hour Format

Part 1

A Public Salon with a Featured Speaker who has knowledge or experience with that month's Salon Theme. The Speaker leads an open discussion with attendees, especially bringing in current news that relates to the Theme.

The Speaker can be:

- An invited expert with knowledge or experience with that month's Salon Theme
- A community leader
- A member of an organization that works to achieve the goals associated with the Salon Theme
- One of the WE CAN members who has knowledge of or interest in the Salon Theme

Part 1 Alternative

- Screening a short Film or Video clip (10-20 minutes) followed by discussion (40-50 minutes)
- Discussion of a book chapter, article, editorial, etc. which could be mentioned in invitations in advance so people could read them beforehand to be ready to discuss them at the meeting
- Artistic presentation or performance (10-20 minutes) that is related to the Salon Theme, followed by discussion (40-50 minutes)

Part 2 – Organizing or Taking Action

- Creating and planning a new upcoming event or campaign
- Working on an upcoming event that is already scheduled of an allied organization
- Working on an ongoing campaign of an allied organization
- Taking immediate action like signing petitions, writing letters or making phone calls to elected leaders, or taking action in other ways