

## **Writer's Guidelines: How to Submit an Article to The Outer Circle**

### **What is The Outer Circle?**

*The Outer Circle*, is published bi-monthly by the International Service Organization (ISO) of SAA. It is available without cost by download at [saa-recovery.org](http://saa-recovery.org) or by request in writing to the ISO office: P.O. Box 70949, Houston, TX 77270.

The newsletter contains original articles and poetry about sex addiction written by members of the Fellowship. It also presents news of ISO and regional activities, and other information of interest to members of the Fellowship.

Approximately 6,500 copies of the newsletter are printed and emailed each issue. The Outer Circle is vital way to share the message of recovery to all SAA members including prisoners and others who don't have access to the Internet.

Articles may be submitted by email to: [toc@saa-recovery.org](mailto:toc@saa-recovery.org) or by mail to the ISO office. All articles must be accompanied by a **RELEASE FORM**, which is attached to this document.

Here are the two main types of articles you may submit:

### **Personal Stories**

Personal Stories can be anywhere from 500-1,000 words. The main guideline is to share your experience, strength and hope in the principle of Step 12: "Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to other sex addicts..."

Many articles are "aha" moments in recovery, when you heard something in a meeting or your Higher Power spoke to you in some way that felt like an epiphany. We encourage you to share your experience, strength and hope around steps and traditions. It may be helpful to think of your articles for The Outer Circle as a written form of a share you'd give in a meeting. Please don't worry too much about grammar and spelling. We'll clean that up for you.

### **Personal Experience**

Personal Experience articles can be 800-1,500 words. If you're someone who has presented a seminar or a workshop, you may think of your article as a written version of your presentation, or a key part of your presentation. Again, the key is sharing your experience, strength and hope with other sex addicts. And don't worry too much about grammar and spelling.

### **Deadlines for submission are as follows:**

Sept/Oct 2014:	July 5
Nov/Dec 2014:	Sept. 5
Jan/Feb 2015:	Nov. 5
Mar/April 2015:	Jan. 5
May/June 2015:	Mar 5

**General Release Form:**

In consideration of being reviewed for possible publication, I hereby transfer and release to the ISO of SAA, Inc (assignee) all legal rights to the publication of my submission(s) or any edited version thereof in any official ISO publication, including *Sex Addicts Anonymous*, *The Outer Circle*, the SAA meditation book, the SAA websites, or any other SAA program material, such as pamphlets, booklets and audio recordings.

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