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### AATA NEWS

## Join the Discussion — the New MyAATA Community is Now Online



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Your MyAATA Community is here — come join the discussion! This week the AATA launched its online forum where members can explore, network, and engage with each other and with industry experts throughout the year. Think you might have something to share? Login to [MyAATA](#) today and post your thoughts, resources, or experiences.



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## AATA Elections Now Open! (August 1-31, 2018)



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All voting members are encouraged to participate in the election of volunteer leadership positions with the American Art Therapy Association. **Voting opened Wednesday, August 1 and will remain open until Friday, August 31 at 11:59 p.m. (EDT).** All voting members should have received an e-mail from Association Voting with instructions to cast an online vote. If you have not received this message and you have questions about the voting process or would prefer to receive a paper ballot, please contact the AATA National Office via phone (888-290-0878) or e-mail ([info@arttherapy.org](mailto:info@arttherapy.org)).

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## Editor in Chief Sought for *Art Therapy: Journal of the American Art Therapy Association*



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The American Art Therapy Association seeks applications for the position of Editor of *Art Therapy: Journal of the American Art Therapy Association*. The journal is a peer-reviewed scholarly publication which has a readership comprised of educators, practitioners, and students. Its mission is to inform the readership of research, recent innovations, and critical issues related to art therapy. **The deadline for nominations or applications is September 30, 2018.** **READ MORE**

## Featured Member



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Ann Marie Hines MA, ATR-BC, LPC, runs Heal with Creativity, a private practice in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and works with children who have Autism, developmental and learning disabilities, and behavioral issues. She recently rejoined the AATA community and reflects, "I like that AATA is doing more in making members feel welcome and a part of the larger art therapy community. It feels good to be a part of something and have a support system." Having benefited from networking and learning opportunities at AATA's conferences, she says, "I felt it important to be a part of the community now that I'm in private practice and looking to connect with art therapists here in Pittsburgh." **READ MORE**

## ART THERAPY IN THE NEWS

## UC Davis Children's Hospital Helping Young Patients Discover 'Super Powers'



KXTV-TV

Four young superheroes were recently spotted in Downtown Sacramento! They have spent much of their lives in and out of UC Davis Children's Hospital, but their fight for survival is getting better. The hospital is helping them discover their own unique "super powers." "Not a patient. Not a kid who might be sick or injured, but the person

they want to be, and maybe that's a superhero," said Katie Lorain who is an art therapist at the hospital. **READ MORE**

### Rebuilding After Trauma — Lessons for Work & Life



Military Families Learning Network

Featuring conversations with Melissa Walker, Healing Arts Program Coordinator at the National Intrepid Center of Excellence, a directorate of Walter Reed National Military Medical Center, and Lead Art Therapist for Creative Forces: NEA Military Healing Arts Network, this podcast examines treatment journeys with service members experiencing co-occurring Traumatic Brain Injury and Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, and explores research implications regarding the roles of multidisciplinary art therapies and community support in helping individuals heal. **READ MORE**

### Tracy's Kids Provides Hope and Healing to Pediatric Cancer Patients and Their Families



MedStar Georgetown University Hospital

When a child is diagnosed with cancer, a family's entire world is disrupted. Over the past 20 years, Tracy's Kids has committed over \$2.1 million to an art therapy program designed to keep things as normal as possible for those being treated at MedStar Georgetown University Hospital. Tracy's Kids offers patients and their families a therapeutic outlet to identify and process the difficult experiences and feelings that accompany cancer. **READ MORE**

### Leopold Leads Knitting Effort For Baton Rouge Newborns



Idyllwild Town Center

The partnership between humanitarians Karla Leopold, art therapist, and Sister Judith Brun, founder of Neighbor's Keeper, a nonprofit group in Baton Route, Louisiana, has been years in the making. First meeting as child well-being responders after Hurricane Katrina's devastating impact on New Orleans, they quickly bonded in service of softening the impact on families. **READ MORE**

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