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AATA NEWS

Suicide Prevention and Awareness Best Practices for Art Therapists and Resources for the Public







AATA National Office

It's National Suicide Prevention Awareness Week (Sept. 9-15), and September is National Suicide Prevention Month, a time when individuals and organizations share resources and stories to draw attention to this tragic and stigmatized issue and focus on prevention. This new AATA resource offers information for the public and shares best practice resources for art therapists and other mental health clinicians on suicide prevention and awareness for clients, families, communities, and survivors. We hope that AATA chapters, members, and the public will share this resource throughout the September and all year round. READ MORE





Two Weeks Left to Register at the Lower Rates: Don't Miss Out on the **Numerous Opportunities to Connect with Colleagues at Conference!**







By Heidi Tournoux-Hanshaw, MA, LPC-AT-S, ATR-BC, ATCS, Conference Chair

Are you ready to network with art therapists from around the world? The 49th AATA Annual Conference, to be held October 31 to November 4, 2018 in Miami, FL provides a perfect venue to meet new colleagues and



explore the diversity of our profession. The conference is an excellent way to meet and interact with the AATA national office staff, board members, and art therapists from around the world. Conference presentations are just one way to make the conference a meaningful experience, read on for more ways to network and make the most of all the opportunities conference has to offer. **READ MORE**

Introducing a Year-Long Expansion to the Member Resolutions Process







The AATA is pleased to announce that beginning this year, we are implementing a year-long resolution process. This expansion will enable all AATA members, including those who will not attend the annual conference, to propose formal resolutions and receive responses on a year-round basis and will help streamline the resolutions process. Member Resolutions may be submitted throughout the year for review by the resolutions committee followed by consideration by the Board of Directors. While the goal will be to review and respond to member resolutions within a 60-day timeframe, in some cases, the proposed resolution may be discussed and voted on by the membership during the Annual Meeting of the Membership (AMM). This year, the Annual Meeting of the Membership will take place on Friday, November 2, 2018, from 8:30 - 10:00 a.m. during the AATA's 49th Annual Conference in Miami, Florida.

Resolutions to be considered during the 2018 AMM must be received at the AATA National Office by 12:00 a.m. EDT on Oct 12, 2018, in order to allow sufficient review time for the resolutions committee. All professional/voting members will receive an email with information on how to submit a resolution and a link to the form.



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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Antigoni Mikellidou, ATR-BC, graduated in 2015 with a master's in Creative Arts Therapy from Hofstra University and is now living in Berlin, Germany. In 2016, she was honored to receive AATA's New Professional Scholarship and appreciates that, "Despite the difficulties international art therapy students face, AATA provides the opportunity to be connected in an art therapy community and keeps them updated with what's new

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professionally and educationally." She additionally values AATA's online courses, providing continuing education for those living abroad. **READ MORE**

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Art Therapy: How it works, the benefits, how to start









Raquel has been a professional art therapist for 17 years. She's worked in a variety of settings where art therapy can be found; in psychiatric settings, outpatients, also in educational settings with children with special needs. Raquel owns and operates a learning center for children with special needs who are being homeschooled. Art therapy is a mental health profession that uses the arts, art making, and the creative process as the core of how we do our therapy. It is how we affect change, how we treat clients and explore their issues and give them new skills. We do that all through art and art-making. READ MORE

'Dogs of 9/11' Exhibit Opens at the 9/11 Memorial & Museum









In the days following the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks, thousands of people arrived at Ground Zero to aid in the rescue and recovery efforts. With them were hundreds of heroic dogs trained in a variety of capacities. A temporary exhibit honoring these courageous canines has been erected at the 9/11 Memorial & Museum and will be on display through fall of 2019. The "Dogs of 9/11" art installation features several different forms, including a statue from the American Kennel Club's DOGNY initiative. READ MORE

Seminole Resident's Nonprofit Offers Creative Outlet To Incarcerated Children







Tampa Bay Newspapers

Americal Kennel Club

Carrie Boucher didn't know what to expect the first time she set foot inside Pinellas County's Juvenile Detention Center in Clearwater. The Seminole resident brought her NOMADstudio, a traveling art bus that provides art supplies and lessons to underserved youth throughout the Tampa Bay region, to the facility May 1 as part of Good Moves: A Caravan of Sharing. She was joined by other mobile nonprofit organizations, including Bluebird Book Bus, Bess the Book Bus, Boards for Bros, Road to Artdom and Giving Tree Music. READ MORE

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The Restless Perfectionism of Alberto Giacometti









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He pushed, prodded and gouged his masterpieces into existence. But for this hard-living, chain-smoking legend of 20th century art, the beauty he sought to create seemed almost unattainable. Alberto Giacometti hoped to make his artwork feel, however faintly, alive. His ragged, bone-thin statues and haunting portraits are just some of the works in "Giacometti," a sweeping retrospective at New York's Guggenheim Museum. It includes some 200 pieces from the four-decade career of this restless perfectionist. READ MORE

SIUE Graduate School Presents Visualizing Research Impacts Awards







The Intelligencer

The Southern Illinois University Edwardsville Graduate School has announced the winners of its 2018 Visualizing Research Impacts (VRI) competition, which encourages SIUE scholars to show the results and impacts of their research to the public through images. A panel of alumni selected the work of Brigham Dimick and Katrina LaCombe from 15 faculty and staff entries that depicted a wonderfully rich diversity of creative activities and disciplines from across the institution, including entries from the sciences, engineering, arts, humanities and education. READ MORE

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