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AATA NEWS

New Online Courses Now Available through the AATA's Institute of Continuing Education in Art Therapy



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If you are looking for a way to expand your knowledge about the most current theories and approaches in art therapy, or want to earn continuing education, check out the AATA's Institute for Continuing Education in Art Therapy (ICE/AT)! During the AATA's 47th Annual Conference held this past July in Baltimore, Maryland, more than 30 educational sessions were recorded, converted into brand new online courses and added to the course catalog. **READ MORE**

AATA Featured Member



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Paige Asawa, PhD, ATR-BC, MFT is the recipient of the 2016 Distinguished Clinician Award—Family Services. This honor is conferred on a Professional member of the Association in recognition of significant contributions of work with clients in the category of Family Services. Dr. Asawa is an art therapist, art therapy educator, clinic director and artist who has been engaged in the art therapy community for over 25 years. After building a private practice for seven years, she became an art therapy educator in 1998, teaching family art therapy, research methods and many other classes. She is currently the director of the Helen B. Landgarten Art Therapy Clinic at Loyola Marymount University, where she developed seven programs ranging from trauma and disaster response, and practicum support, to providing consultation utilizing family art assessments. Dr. Asawa is actively engaged in building awareness of art therapy both nationally and internationally by publishing and developing art therapy programs, consultations, in-services,



training and presentations. [READ MORE](#)

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- [This year's SVA MPS Art Therapy conference features Pablo Helguera. Click here to join us on September 23, 2016!](#)



Interview Series Aims to Raise Public Awareness of the Art Therapy Profession



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While attendees of the 47th annual AATA conference in Baltimore were catching up with friends and participating in various events and sessions, an important initiative was launched – a new public awareness campaign! As part of the AATA's efforts to promote the art therapy profession, Huffington Post Arts & Culture reporter Priscilla Frank and a team of credentialed professional AATA members hosted a series of video recorded interviews.



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Call for Artwork Deadline Approaching



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The **August 26, 2016 deadline is approaching for credentialed members** of the AATA to submit artwork contributing to the creation of a coloring book that will help raise public awareness of the art therapy profession. Importantly, this book will promote an accurate and consistent message of art therapy as a regulated mental health profession, because the AATA will oversee written content included in the book, including the title and introduction, and ensure all content is relevant to the AATA's mission and vision. Furthermore, the contributing artists may promote their own products/services that can be included in conjunction with their coloring page and narrative (e.g., link to professional webpage). Click [here](#) for full details on how to [submit your artwork](#).

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The AATA Collaborates with The Institute for the Advancement of Senior Care (IASC) for the San Diego Memory Care Forum



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The [San Diego Memory Care Forum](#), taking place Sept. 22 – 23, will bring together some of the nation's leading care providers to discuss the research, innovations, and program approaches to memory care for older adults, both before and after a dementia diagnosis. In collaboration with The Institute for the Advancement of Senior Care (IASC), the AATA is pleased to be able to offer a **special discount for AATA members** who are interested in attending. Click [here](#) to log on to MyAATA and retrieve the discount code.



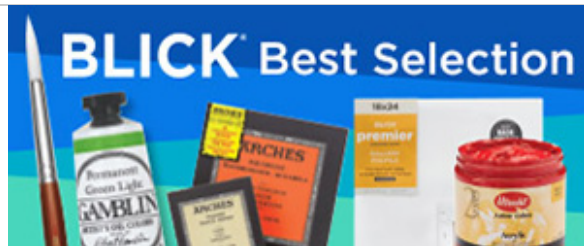
Member Benefit: Join Commonwealth One Federal Credit Union



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AATA members and their families are eligible to join Commonwealth One Federal Credit Union (COFCU). COFCU traditionally charges lower fees, pays higher dividends on savings accounts, and has lower interest rates on loans than other financial institutions. Login to [MyAATA](#) to view member offers. Additionally, by applying now to the Visa Platinum Rewards Credit Card, you'll get a special low rate of 2.99 percent APR* for purchases, balance transfers and cash advances for 9 months. New card holders will receive 2,500 rewards points when you spend \$1,000 in purchases within the first 90 days. Visit [cofu.org](#) for details.

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ART THERAPY IN THE NEWS

The art of healing



Jewish Journal

The piece of art is heartbreaking: Under gray skies filled with drops of rain stands a single tombstone. Under that, the artist has written in bright red, "Death now looking for Me." It is the work of a fourth-grader. By way of explanation, the student, whose real name is not identified, writes: "I live close to school where it's not safe to play in my neighborhood. ... My 6-year-old sister was shot and killed when she was playing in the front yard. I get scared sometimes and really miss her. Also, last year my uncle went to jail and I miss him too. It seems like things don't get better around my house." **READ MORE**

Piloting the use of Arts Award in therapeutic work with children and young people



CultureShift

Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust worked with Culture Shift to explore the delivery of Arts Award within therapeutic contexts. After introductory session on Arts Award for staff and the wider therapeutic community in June 2013, participants' feedback identified an interest in using Arts Award within a range of contexts. The pilot was commissioned by Trinity College London as part of the Arts Award Reaching Out programme, with the aim of exploring the delivery of Arts Award within therapeutic contexts, and producing Therapeutic practice settings guidelines for Trinity College. **READ MORE**

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