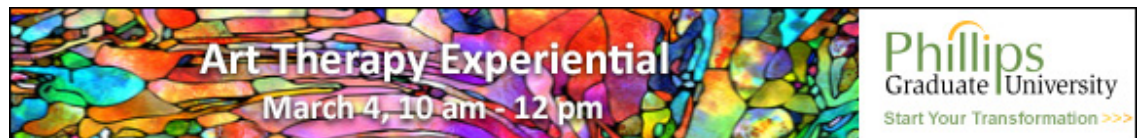


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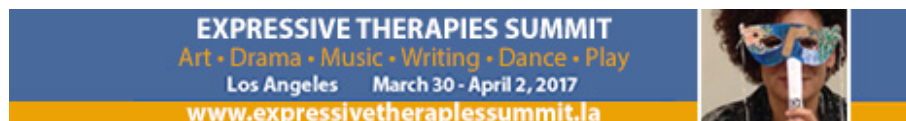
In Memoriam: Joan Phillips



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It is with sadness that we report the passing of AATA Past President Joan Phillips, PhD, LMFT, LPC, ATR-BC on Feb. 6, 2017. Although we mourn her loss, we remember her kind, generous spirit and the lasting legacy she leaves to the art therapy community as a clinician, teacher, author, poet and artist. We extend our condolences to Joan's family, friends, and colleagues through this difficult time.

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Honoring Black History Month: A Spotlight on Lucille Venture, PhD, ATR



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Dr. Lucille Durham Venture, ATR, (1919-2006) was an outstanding clinician, educator, mentor, and advocate for multiculturalism and social activism within the field of art therapy. Born in Pittsburg, PA, her education began in the Pittsburg public schools. She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Morgan State University and a Master's degree in Art Education from New York University. Dr. Venture earned a Doctorate in Art Therapy and Program Administration from Union Institute & University. Grounded in humanistic inquiry, Dr.



Venture advanced her understanding of ethics, the creative process, and the possibilities of institutional and social change. [READ MORE](#)



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Nominate Volunteer Officers and Directors of the Board



Megan Robb, ATR-BC, LPC, NCC

The American Art Therapy Association (AATA) has opened nominations for Volunteer Officers and Directors of the Board. AATA's Nominating Sub-Committee invites nominations of qualified members to the following positions for a two-year term (2017-2019):

- President-Elect (1)
- Secretary (1)
- Directors (3)
- Nominating Sub-Committee (1)

You may submit your own name or a colleague's name for consideration as a nominee. Find the Nomination Form and Candidate Application on the MyAATA member's site. [READ MORE](#)

Creative Arts Therapies Week Coming up: March 12-18, 2017



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March is just around the corner, and its time to prepare for this year's Creative Arts Therapies Week! Each year the National Coalition of Creative Arts Therapies Associations (NCCATA) promotes the week in March when "creative arts therapists sponsor special workshops, exhibitions, career days and other events to share their work with the public and other professionals." Check out what's happening in your area by visiting NCCATA's website and Facebook page. [READ MORE](#)

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Creative Therapy Online: Connecting Creative Therapy Professionals



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Creative Therapy Online
Where Creative Connects

Drama therapist Matthew Viviano is offering a valuable service to the arts therapies community - Creative Therapy Online. It's an online database, directory, and network for creative therapy professionals - it enables referrals and connects employers and other professionals. To date there are registrations from all over the globe, including: South Africa, Australia, Mexico, Malta, the UK, Canada and America! Creative Therapy Online welcomes all professions of creative therapy, including but not limited to: Art Therapy, Music Therapy, Drama Therapy, Expressive Arts Therapy, Dance Movement Therapy, Play Therapy, Sandplay Therapy, Photo Therapy and Poetry Therapy. **READ MORE**

IN THE NEWS

Editorial: Resilience and hope through art



The Topeka Capital-Journal

To many who suffer from a mental illness, finding an outlet for self-expression can be difficult. Although our society is starting to treat mental illness as an affliction like any other (and one that doesn't have to define a person's life), stigma remains a huge obstacle that prevents us from productively engaging with one another. People have a tendency to essentialize when it comes to those with mental illnesses – instead of trying to figure out who they are and what they're capable of, we dwell on the single variable of whatever condition they might have. Not only is this crude and disrespectful, but it also impoverishes our understanding of millions of people. **READ MORE**

Professional Doctorate of Art Therapy

This Mount Mary University program advances working professionals' careers through an annual, summer 12-day residency, online coursework and practitioner-generated research to transform the profession.

Surging demand for mental health care jams college services



Scientific American

Colleges across the country are failing to keep up with a troubling spike in demand for mental health care — leaving students stuck on waiting lists for weeks, unable to get help. STAT surveyed dozens of universities about their mental health services. From major public institutions to small elite colleges, a striking pattern emerged: Students often have to wait weeks just for an initial intake exam to review their symptoms. **READ MORE**

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Whole Village Art Therapy combines counseling and creative expression



WWHO-FM

Holly Wherry is an artist, counselor, and community advocate who has created a way to blend her skills and enthusiasm into one non-profit. It is called Whole Village Art Therapy, and it is an organization that lives up to that hefty name. NolaVie's Kelley Crawford spoke with Holly to learn about art therapy and how it is becoming part of the New Orleans community. **READ MORE**

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