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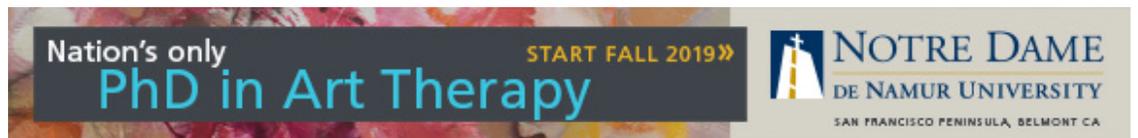
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AATA NEWS

AATA Recognizes World Mental Health Day



AATA National Office

In recognition of this global awareness effort, the American Art Therapy Association (AATA) offers the following resources on mental health, art therapy, and the Association's advocacy and awareness efforts.

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Don't Miss the Student Art Exhibit at the Miami International Airport to Welcome Conference Attendees



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



In celebration of the AATA Conference to be held October 31 to November 4 in Miami, FL, the Clinical Art Therapy Department of Miami-Dade County Public Schools will offer an art exhibit in the baggage claim area of the Miami International Airport near Carousel 15. The exhibit titled **ARTWORKS: Navigating Student Success** will be on display from October 23, 2018 through January 31, 2019. The exhibit will showcase the Miami Dade County Public School Clinical Art Therapy Department's school art therapy program services through selected student artworks from the 40 years of its existence. Visitors and passengers will have access to the exhibit in the baggage claim area. We hope all conference attendees arriving at the airport will enjoy the exhibit! [READ MORE](#)



Message of Support to those Impacted by Hurricane Michael



AATA National Office

"The FSU art therapy program is grateful that our community here is safe, and our hearts go out to nearby communities that are suffering as a result of Hurricane Michael. When we regroup next week, we will see what we can do to be of service." – Barbara Parker-Bell, PsyD, ATR-BC, LPC, Director of the Florida State University Art Therapy Program.

The AATA's deepest sympathies are with the families of the two lost lives due to Hurricane Michael, which hit the Florida Panhandle on October 10, 2018 as a Category 4 hurricane. We wish a swift recovery to the communities impacted by the Hurricane and our thoughts are with all those in Tropical Storm Michael's path as it makes its way north. To stay informed on safety information in your area, visit FEMA's [webpage on Hurricane Michael](#).

If you are an AATA member organizing a community event in response, please consider applying for the [AATA Trauma Recovery Fund](#).

This Monday October 15 is the Proposal Deadline for the International Art Therapy Practice Research Conference in London



British Association of Art Therapists and AATA National Office



The submission deadline of October 15th is fast approaching for papers on research, practice innovation, masterclasses or workshops to the **inaugural International Art Therapy Practice Research Conference to be held in London, July 11 to 13, 2019**.

The AATA and the British Association of Art Therapists (BAAT) have partnered to launch this event. We hope this is the first of future worldwide events which will help support and grow our profession, its practice and research. Registration will open in December 2018. Please [click here](#) for more information and to make a submission.

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Remembering Friends and Colleagues



Patricia Quinn MS, ATR-BC, LCAT, Historical Archives and Affairs Committee Chair

Dear Friends, the following names comprise our list of art therapists lost in the past year. If you have anyone to add or if you have a remembrance or photo of an art therapist listed below, we would love to include those in our PowerPoint, brochure, and our Memorial Service, which will take place on Saturday, October 3rd at 5:00 PM during the AATA Conference in Miami. To honor our members who have passed, we will also have a table for attendees to remember all of our friends and mentors.

- Sr. Kathleen M Burke (7/24/2018)
- Mari Fleming (11/24/2017)
- Laura Greenstone (7/18/2018)
- Susan Halvorsen (10/15/2017)
- Janneka Hannay (10/15/2017)
- Frances Kaplan (3/17/2018)
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Featured Member



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Melinda Hallenbeck-Kostecky, MS, ATR-BC works at Michigan Medicine Rogel Cancer Center on the Patient and Family Support Services PsychOncology team. She feels privileged to work in this profession and explains, "Through personal experiences and witnessing others, I understand firsthand how art has an undeniable power to express emotions that cannot be confined solely to words." She adds, "I wholeheartedly believe in the healing benefits of the creative process and the therapeutic relationship." **READ MORE**

ART THERAPY IN THE NEWS

Rikers Inmates' Art on Display in Chelsea Gallery Thanks to Creative Arts Therapy Program



AM New York

About 80 pieces of art and poetry hang in a gallery space in Chelsea, colorful images popping off the stark white walls. The artists, however, won't see their work displayed — they're incarcerated at Rikers Island. The exhibit inside the School of Visual Arts' gallery on West 21st Street is part of the Creative Arts Therapy Program offered to Rikers inmates by the city's Health + Hospitals and Correctional Health Services. **READ MORE**

Braemar Gallery Exhibition to Shine Light on Art Therapy



Blue Mountain Gazette

An art exhibition at Springwood's Braemar Gallery is set to shine a light on the growing mental health profession of art therapy. The When Words Are Not Enough exhibition, which starts on Thursday, October 11 in conjunction

with World Mental Health Day, will consist of works from 17 local art therapists, and is the first exhibition in the Blue Mountains to focus on art therapy. **READ MORE**



Healing Art



The Emporia Gazette

In 2017, SOS administered 14,447 crisis services over the six counties the organization serves — from women and children to male victims of sexual assault and domestic violence. Community Relations Coordinator Taumi Boyce said the creation of art helps survivors work through tough, trauma-related issues that can persist for decades after an incident takes place. The support groups, including one which is Spanish-speaking, routinely make art to express themselves and work through their problems. **READ MORE**

8 Tips for Coping After a Breast Cancer Diagnosis



University of Michigan

For any woman, a breast cancer diagnosis can incite a flurry of appointments and emotions. For some women with families, important details of treatment and recovery may compete with the chaos of daily life. “They might be more worried about the kids being picked up at school than their tumor,” says Donna Murphy, LMSW, director of patient and family support services at the University of Michigan Rogel Cancer Center. “They’re seeking ways to manage and make sense of it all.” **READ MORE**

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