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AATA NEWS

Art Therapy Program at Albertus Magnus College Receives Accreditation



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Congratulations to the [Art Therapy program](#) at Albertus Magnus College (AMC) in New Haven, CT, for receiving accreditation through the [Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs \(CAAHEP\)](#)! The CAAHEP Board approved the accreditation recommendation on November 16, 2018, making AMC's art therapy program the second to be accredited, following [Edinboro University](#) in September. Site evaluations of several additional program have been scheduled across the country, and the AATA looks forward to seeing more programs become accredited in the coming months! **READ MORE**

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- Applications are now open for [SAIC's Master of Arts in Art Therapy and Counseling](#)
- A comprehensive Art Therapy education emphasizing the social and cultural contexts surrounding artmaking and healing
- [Professional experience through fieldwork in a diverse array of healthcare and social service settings](#)
- Graduates are qualified to apply for the Art Therapy Credentials Board's Registration and Board Certification



- [Apply by January 15](#)

2019 Conference Call for Proposals is Now Open!



Susan Boxer Kappel, MA, ATR-BC, LCAT, CGP, Conference Chair



Celebrating 50 Years of Healing Through Art

For those who attended the 49th Annual Conference in Miami, we hope that you left feeling inspired and with additional knowledge gained. If you attended, be sure to visit the [2018 Proceedings website](#) to explore the program, view photos, and retrieve your Continuing Education Certificate. **It's now time to focus on the AATA's 50th Annual**

Conference to be held October 30 to November 3, 2019 in Kansas City, Missouri! [READ MORE](#)

Call for ACATE Site Evaluators



Janet Kempf, ATR-BC, Vice-Chair, ACATE

The Accreditation Council for Art Therapy Education (ACATE) is seeking site evaluators to travel to art therapy programs and verify program components submitted for review. Site evaluator qualifications include:

- Current or Retired Art Therapy Educator, Art Therapy Practitioner, or Related Mental Health Field Educator (e.g., Creative Arts Therapy, Counseling, Psychology, Psychiatry, Social Work, and Marriage and Family Therapy, etc.),
- Licensure/Board Certification in given profession, and
- Five (5) years of experience in given profession.

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Susan Jacobsen ATR-BC, LPC, focuses on prenatal bonding, infant loss, and pregnancy after loss, in her private practice, [Henry's Heart Art Therapy](#), named after her son who died at birth due to HELLP syndrome. "I love being an art therapist and love sharing the creative process with others," says Jacobsen. She has found that art therapy is often effective when other types of therapies have failed, explaining, "The whole brain way in which art making works is invaluable in treating trauma, anxiety, and various other issues that arise." Jacobsen values her AATA membership as "a useful source of professional information, connection, and clarity of the field." [READ MORE](#)

ART THERAPY IN THE NEWS

How iPad Artist Jeremy Martin Is Making Waves in the Fashion Industry



Teen Vogue

As a programming specialist and art therapist at Housing Works, Jeremy Martin plans events for the organization's youth clubhouse that cover everything from sexual health to relationships to career support. At the clubhouse, he also helps individuals, many of them homeless and displaced LGBTQ youth, tap into the

subconscious through art to process whatever emotions or realizations arise. "A lot of them have been abandoned by their families for being queer," Jeremy tells Teen Vogue. "We work hard to assist them with housing, medical care, and recreational activities." [READ MORE](#)

Agging Well: Innovations in Art Therapy Offer Opportunities to Those with Memory Loss



Tucson Local Media

Creating art holds many benefits for the artist, regardless of their ability, skill level, or age. Residents at Splendido, an all-inclusive community for those 55 and better in Oro Valley, enjoy robust creative arts offerings that include a much-used, on-site art studio and a variety of hands-on art opportunities. Splendido is a Life Plan Community where residents live independently, and have access to comprehensive care in the on-site health center Sonora, if ever needed. There, art programming continues with innovative art therapy techniques designed to meet the needs of residents. [READ MORE](#)



NMPBS ¡COLORES!: Dr. Deborah Good Talks About Art Therapy



YouTube

Art therapist Dr. Deborah Good shares how veterans find healing in the arts. [READ MORE](#)

Does Art Have The Power To Heal After Gun Violence? One Florida Town Thinks So



Forbes

The City of Coral Springs, Florida, in partnership with the City of Parkland, will receive \$1 million for a public art project: "Inspiring Community Healing After Gun Violence: The Power of Art." The project expects to serve as an example of resilience by using art to bring the community together "in collective healing and reflection" following the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School shooting in February of 2018. [READ MORE](#)

Finding Our Voices Helps Sexual Assault Survivors Express Themselves Through Art



Colorado Springs Independent

One traumatic incident can completely uproot a person's life, and survivors of sexual assault know that the process of healing and rebuilding can span decades, especially taking into account the stigma they often face. Finding Our Voices founder Joyce Aubrey has been through that process. [READ MORE](#)

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