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Next year marks the American Art Therapy Association's 50th anniversary! While we are excited to kick off a year-long celebration of our profession (and a fundraising campaign to support the work we do), we have some wonderful news to share that cannot wait. **We just learned that a private family foundation related to one of our members is willing to match all contributions toward our 50th Anniversary Campaign before the end of the year!** That means if you donate now in support of our work, including raising awareness about art therapy and advocating for licensure for art therapists, your contribution will be DOUBLED! **READ MORE**

Celebrating the Accomplishments of 2018



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With 2018 coming to a close, we'd like to take this opportunity to share some collective accomplishments we've made to support and advance the profession. Below we've highlighted gains and improvements in the membership experience, public awareness, legislation, accreditation, and broad collaborations.

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Featured Member



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Laura Bauder, MA, just graduated with her master's in art therapy with an emphasis in counseling from Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College in December 2018 and is in the process of applying for her ATR-P. She has also worked as a freelance artist and facilitator of workshops on paper-making, altered books, and bookmaking since 2014. Excited begin her career as an art therapist working with adults with substance use disorders, Bauder shares that the most valuable AATA tool for her is the online Community Forum. "Art therapists are able to connect and discuss important topics with other art therapists from around the country — these connections provide instant digital support within our community and allow us to explore topics with experts in our field. I believe this is a huge benefit because we may not know who will

have great advice or experience on a particular topic, but the Open Form Digest offers a place for all art therapists to connect all year long." **READ MORE**

ART THERAPY IN THE NEWS

Refugee Children Share Stories Through Art in Manchester Exhibit



The Journal Gazette

Though the artists may be children, the message is hardly childish in "Amal: When Hope Endures," an art exhibit at Gallery 101 on Manchester University's Fort Wayne campus. Subtitled "Art as Therapy with Syrian Refugees," the artwork was produced in Jordan's Zaatari camp where Syrian refugees have fled war, loss and deprivations of both body and spirit. The camp, which houses tens of thousands of people, is a shelter for refugees fleeing the Syrian civil war that began in 2011. **READ MORE**



Blood Drive For Sydni Brown



Four State Homepage

A 10-year-old girl with cancer and her family are holding a blood drive to help save her life. Sydni Brown has a rare form of cancer called Aveolar Rhabdomyosarcoma. In the past week, she has had two blood transfusions, and her family wants to increase blood supplies and raise awareness for conditions, like Sydni's. **READ MORE**

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