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## AATA NEWS

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### Call for Nominations: Nancy Schoebel Distinguished Legislative Service Award

AATA National Office

The American Art Therapy Association has opened the call for nominations for the Nancy Schoebel Distinguished Legislative Award. Nancy Schoebel was an inspiring art therapist and a vigorous supporter of art therapy at the local, state, and national levels. This award is designed to recognize AATA members' ongoing efforts to elevate the art therapy profession. We know that any legislative success is thanks to the hard work and perseverance of volunteers on the ground. Now is your chance to recognize those colleagues who are making a difference in your community by nominating them for this prestigious award! Check out more opportunities for the 2019 Scholarship & Nominations season in the areas of Honors, Nominations, Research, and Scholarships! [READ MORE](#)



## The Traumatic Impact and Aftereffects of Gun-Related Violence

AATA National Office

As the nation's leading non-profit organization for advancing the art therapy profession, the American Art Therapy Association (AATA) provides our members and the public we serve with important content to support the wellbeing of all individuals, families, and communities. The following resource offer information about the traumatic impact and aftereffects of gun-related violence in our communities, families, and schools, as well as in the media. [READ MORE](#)

## House Resolution 298 Recognizes April 8-12 as National SISP Appreciation Week

AATA National Office

Representative David Loebsack (D-IA-2) and six bipartisan cosponsors introduced H.Res.298 on April 9th to recognize April 8-12 as National Specialized Instructional Support Personnel (SISP) Appreciation Week. We are expecting a Senate number for the companion resolution shortly. Thank you to everyone who responded to our [call to action](#) last week! Art therapists are identified among SISP colleagues in the resolution, read [H.Res.298 here](#). [READ MORE](#)



## Featured Member

AATA National Office



Patricia (Trica) Zeyher is a student at Edinboro University's online dual master's program in Clinical Mental Health Counseling and Art Therapy. It was through AATA that she discovered the program. "AATA online is my library, and it is my professional network site," Says Zeyher. "From working on a homework assignment, to finding job placement, I know AATA is with me, helping me to grow and advance my Art Therapy education and career." [READ MORE](#)

## ART THERAPY IN THE NEWS

### Drexel University and Johns Hopkins University Announce Unique Study of Therapeutics Arts Using Virtual Reality

Drexel University

A shared research interest in the applications of creative expression and creative arts therapies at Drexel University's College of Nursing and Health Professions (CNHP) and Johns Hopkins University's International Arts + Mind (IAM) Lab has shaped a new collaboration between the two universities. Built on the collective values of applied and translational research linking the creative arts and brain sciences, researchers from CNHP and IAM Lab will work together on a new creative arts therapies project that utilizes virtual reality. [READ MORE](#)

### Teen Heart Transplant Recipient Uses Art to Bond With New Heart

The Indy Channel

April is Donate Life Month and according to the latest numbers from the Indiana Donor Network, there are about 70 people in Indiana that need a heart transplant. Nationally, there are nearly 3,900 people on that list. For some

patients, the struggle is not just in the waiting for an organ donation, it is the accepting and understanding of the new heart that is the toughest battle. [READ MORE](#)



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## Music To Soothe a Soldier's Soul: Cam Busch Arts For Health Lecture Series to Focus On Impact of Music Therapy

Times Free Press

"I was injured by a land mine while I was in South Korea. I took shrapnel in my left leg — didn't lose the leg, but I've had a lot of issues with the leg since," the 42-year-old Ooltewah resident says, before adding that he also cared for patients injured by the 9/11 terrorist attack while he worked in Walter Reed. Although he officially left the Army in 2002, he dealt with its aftermath for 17 years: PTSD. [READ MORE](#)

## Making the Aspen Art Museum Accessible to People With Autism

The Aspen Times

The Aspen Art Museum has long touted the fact that its admission is free and that it is open to the public six days a week. But keeping the doors open to all isn't enough to make all feel welcome, the contemporary art institution's leaders concluded several years ago as it embarked on a rigorous initiative aimed at providing access to everyone. [READ MORE](#)



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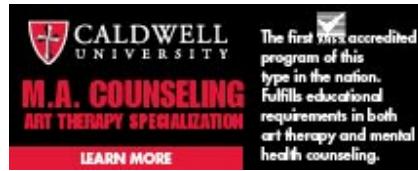


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