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### AATA NEWS

## Meet the AATA National Office Team



AATA National Office

The AATA National Office team works year-round to ensure a positive membership experience in all areas of the Association. Our small team is growing – and we want to share our updates with you! We recently renovated our office and were so pleased to welcome members and friends of art therapy for our Open House on April 12th while the Board of Directors was in town.

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## A Learning Extravaganza at the 2019 AATA Conference!



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

**Just in case you haven't heard...Early Bird registration is now open for the American Art Therapy Association's 50th Annual Conference to be held October 30 to November 3, 2019 in Kansas City, Missouri!** Registering early ensures you receive the lowest conference rates, and the best selection of the very popular experiential learning sessions (Workshops and Advanced Practice Courses). **So, visit the [conference website](#) to get all of the details and link to online registration!** [READ MORE](#)



## Early Bird Registration for the Inaugural International Art Therapy Practice/Research Conference in London Ends on May



The British Association of Art Therapists

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Register before May 1, 2019, to receive the lowest rates for the inaugural International Conference in London from July 11 to 13, 2019! Hosted by the British Association of Art Therapists (BAAT) in association with the American Art Therapy Association (AATA), this conference will gather art therapists from 35 countries to present the newest of practice innovations and research. Over the three days, the program offers a wealth of learning from practice innovation, research, workshops, masterclasses, round table, and networking events. **READ MORE**



## Request for Public Comment: ATCB Code of Ethics, Conduct, and Disciplinary Procedures



AATA National Office

The ATCB Board of Directors has made revisions to the ATCB Code of Ethics, Conduct, and Disciplinary Procedures. Credentialed art therapists as well as members of the public are asked to read and respond by June 15, 2019. Comments may be sent by email, [atcbinfo@atcb.org](mailto:atcbinfo@atcb.org), or by postal mail: ATCB, Attn: Code Revisions, 7 Terrace Way, Greensboro, NC 27403. **READ MORE**

## Featured Member



AATA National Office



Colleen Ferguson Kahn, MA, MFT, ATR-BC, works at Lucille Packard Children's Hospital Stanford in Palo Alto, CA where she and Dr. Jo Wallace founded the Art Therapy program. "I am very proud to be an AATA member," says Kahn. "The research, publications, events and the annual conference have been invaluable assets to my practice. The Annual Conference is the perfect place to feel instantly connected to our inspiring community."

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### ART THERAPY IN THE NEWS

## How Art Therapy Is Helping Stoke Victims Communicate



WCBD-TV

It's two very different kinds of love stories with a unique connection. A stroke changed the way families live, work and play. Now, art is changing the way they communicate. "It was a new relationship," said Cathedra Miller, whose husband suffered a stroke. "We had not been dating a year. We had been out the day before, we spoke

that morning, he ran 5 miles, he played golf the day before—and the next thing I know I am hearing he had been rushed to the hospital. He had a stroke.” [READ MORE](#)

## First Lady Helping Children Heal Through Art



University of Maryland

The Weise Gallery at the University of Maryland, Baltimore (UMB) is awash in spring color thanks to Maryland First Lady Yumi Hogan’s art exhibit, “Nature’s Spring Sonata,” which runs through April 18, 2019. At a reception celebrating the opening of the exhibit, UMB President Jay A. Perman, MD, extolled the value of art in education as a way for people to connect in a deeper way. [READ MORE](#)



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## Art Therapy and Neuroscience: Juliet King at the International Art Therapy Practice/Research Conference



The British Association of Art Therapists

In her presentation at the Inaugural Conference in July, Juliet King will explore theoretical tenets of art therapy through the lens of science, encouraging the understanding of art therapy as neurotherapeutic and the art therapist as a ‘neuroplastician’. This talk will also serve to dispel common assumptions and set the stage for how to think about, practice, and research the systematic integration of art, neuroscience and related therapeutics. [READ MORE](#)

## PSA Art Awakenings Uses Art To Address Mental Health Issues



Mohave Valley Daily News

PSA Art Awakenings, a program of PSA Behavioral Health Agency, is a mental health organization that helps people overcome their problems through art. “With being an art therapist, I can tell you that there are certain neurological things that happen when people are engaged in creative expression,” said Camille Smith, regional clinical director. [READ MORE](#)

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