



Call for Nominations & Applications

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The American Art Therapy Association (AATA) is now accepting nominations for annual Honors Awards as well as Volunteer Officers and Directors of the Board. Applications are also open for annual scholarships, the new Research Seed Grants, and a new Governmental Affairs Award. Read below for details and deadlines for each opportunity.

Any questions or concerns may be directed to the National Office (info@arttherapy.org).

Honors Awards Nominations:

The AATA's Honors Working Group is accepting nominations for Honors Awards. Professional members of the Association may nominate art therapists to be considered for these prestigious awards that honor their outstanding contributions to the AATA, the art therapy profession, art therapy education, and clinical work. The Honors Working Group encourages all Professional Members to review the award categories and nominate colleagues that best fit the description for each respective award. Please keep in mind that submitted nomination packets should include the [Official Honors Nomination Form and full supporting documents as described on MyAATA](#).

Questions should be directed to the honorschair@arttherapy.org. Materials for these annual awards will be accepted until **May 18, 2018** in the following categories:

- Honorary Life Member Award (HLM)
- Distinguished Clinician Award (DCA)
 - DCA award will be given in one of the following categories:*
 - Adult Services
 - Adolescent Services
 - Child Services
 - Family Services
 - General Services
- Distinguished Educator Award (DEA)
- Distinguished Service Award (DSA)
- Jim Consoli Video/Film Award (JCA)
- Rudolph Arnheim Award (RAA)
- Other Award

Volunteer Officers and Directors of the Board Nominations:

AATA's Nominating Committee invites self-nominations and nominations of colleagues from across AATA's community to a two-year elected position (2018-2020). [To download the full nomination guidelines and to view the Nomination Form and Candidate Application, please log into MyAATA](#). **Nominations must be received by June 1, 2018**. The following positions will be elected this year:

- Treasurer (1)

- Speaker, Assembly of Chapters (1)
- Board of Directors (3)
- Nominating Committee (1)

Scholarships Applications:

The AATA and its generous donors provide annual scholarships which are presented at a special ceremony during the Annual Conference to encourage the growth of the profession by rewarding excellence and enabling access to information and resources for the members who are selected as recipients of these highly competitive awards. If you are interested in submitting an application for any scholarship, [please see MyAATA for more information and to download full application materials](#). **All scholarship applications and materials must be received by June 1, 2018.** The following scholarships are now available for the 2018 scholarship season:

- Pearlie Roberson Annual Scholarship Award
- American Art Therapy Association Anniversary Scholarship Fund
- Myra Levick Scholarship Fund
- Rawley Silver Award for Excellence
- Cay Drachnik Minorities Fund
- Prasad Family Foundation – International Student Scholarship
- Student Scholarship to the American Art Therapy Association Annual Conference
- New Professional Scholarship to the American Art Therapy Association Annual Conference

Research Seed Grant & Award Applications:

The Research Committee is proud to announce two unprecedented opportunities this year: seed grants intended to support pilot studies and clinician-researcher partnerships in art therapy. The Research Committee is also accepting applications for 2018 Research Awards. The AATA and its generous donors provide these annual awards which are publicly presented at a special ceremony during the AATA's Annual Conference. The Research Awards encourage the growth of the art therapy profession by rewarding excellence and enabling access to information and resources for the members who are selected by the Research Committee. [Please see MyAATA to download full applications and guidelines](#). Applications and supplemental materials must be received by **June 29, 2018**. The Research Committee, through a highly competitive selection process, will bestow two research seed grants and four awards:

- American Art Therapy Association Research Award
- Doctoral Student Research Award
- Gladys Agell Award for Excellence in Research
- Rawley Silver Research Award
- Seed Grant

Governmental Affairs Committee Award

Nancy Schoebel was an inspiring art therapist, and a vigorous supporter of art therapy at the local, state, and national level. She made enduring contributions to the field through her advocacy work. Among her key contributions were efforts to have art therapy included in Public Law 94-142 (leading to the recognition of art therapy services in schools), organizing legislative action with the National Coalition of Creative Arts Therapies Association (NCCATA), serving

on the AATA Board of Directors for two terms as Chair of the Governmental Affairs Committee (GAC), and serving as the President of the Potomac Art Therapy Association. Professional members are invited to nominate colleagues for the following recognition named in Nancy Schoebel's honor by the **June 1, 2018** deadline. Find the [award application on MyAATA](#), and questions can be directed to gacchair@arttherapy.org.

- Nancy Schoebel Distinguished Legislative Service Award



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