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**Licensed Professional Art Therapist**  
**Curriculum Vitae**

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

**Addresses:**

**University of Louisville**

Clinical Coordinator/Instructor  
Graduate Art Therapy Program  
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**EDUCATION:**

1993 Received M.A. University of Louisville, Louisville, KY: Expressive Therapies with focus in Art Therapy, Trauma work, Group Process, Pediatrics and Adults.  
1990-1991 Ursuline College, Pepper Pike, OH: Graduate Studies in Psychology and Art Therapy.  
1984-1988 Received B.F.A. Columbus College of Art and Design (CCAD), Columbus, OH: Majored in Illustration Design, Photography and limited studies in Art Therapy.  
1984 Received Regents Diploma from Ripley Central High School in Ripley, NY.  
1983 Selected to study fine arts at Chautauqua Institute at Chautauqua, NY.  
1982 New York State Summer School for the Arts at the State University of New York (SUNY) at Fredonia, NY: Fine arts focus.

**CONTINUING EDUCATION TRAININGS ATTENDED:**

November, 2017 Havening Techniques (November 10-12<sup>th</sup>)  
October, 2017 Animal Assisted Interventions  
September, 2017 Casey's Law Training  
June, 2017 Carolyn Settles: EMDR mapping with children and adolescents  
March, 2017 Dr. Rick Gaskill; Neurobiologically Informed Play Therapy interventions for working with trauma  
July, 2016 47<sup>th</sup> Annual AATA Conference  
June, 2016 Suicide Prevention Training  
April, 2016 KYATA training, navigating Medicaid provider guidelines  
March, 2016 Creatively harnessing the power of technology in the play room  
March, 2016 Using Superheroes in Therapy & Counseling  
July, 2015 46<sup>th</sup> Annual AATA Conference  
January/February, 2015 Webinar: EMDR and Sandtray for Children and Adolescents  
November, 2014 Board of Professional Art Therapists Board approved supervisors training  
August, 2014 Synthetic Cannabinoids, bath salts & other trending drugs  
March, 2014 Freud Meets Buddha and the Process Addictions  
January, 2014 Webinar: Treating Complex Trauma with EMDR & Structural Dissociation Theory: A Practical Approach  
November, 2013 Treating Adolescent Substance Abuse and Enhancing Adolescent Spirituality  
October, 2013 Treatment Approaches for Internet Pornography and Sex Addiction  
October, 2013 Supervision training to supervise LPCAs  
August, 2013 Webinar: The Transparent Brain: 5 Principles from Neuroscience  
June, 2013 Clinical Supervision Training by KPA  
May, 2013 Trauma Informed Training  
March, 2013 Attended KAPT annual conference  
February, 2013 Beginning Shamanic Journeying  
October, 2012 Attended the National Conference for Association of Pet Dog Trainers  
August, 2012 Reiki Level II Training

## EDUCATIONAL TRAININGS Continued:

July, 2012	Reiki Level I Training
July, 2012	Attended the AATA National conference
May, 2012	Ethical decision Making in the Face of Diversity; KYATA
April, 2012	Attended the KPA Foundation Diversity Conference
February, 2012	Basic Animal Communication
December, 2011	Darkness to Light Training on dealing with Childhood sexual abuse
June, 2011	Teepa Snow: Dementia + Alzheimer's
May, 2011	PEAT processors training
April, 2011	Becoming a clinical supervisor training
March, 2011	Attended KAPT annual conference
October, 2010	Attended APT National Conference: trainings on executive functioning and trauma related issues
September, 2010	Equine Assisted Psychotherapy (EAP) Training
July, 2010	Training on the use of the LECATA (Levick Emotional and Cognitive Art Therapy Assessment)
May, 2010	KY Adolescent Substance Abuse Consortium
April, 2010	Psychopharmacology: What you need to know about psychiatric medications
March, 2010	Attended KAPT annual conference
March, 2010	Turid Rugaas Canine Behaviorist training on calming signals
February, 2010	<b>MARI Level II</b> training
January, 2010	Hosted "Meet-and-greet" with KY Association of Play Therapy (KAPT) at my office
December, 2009	Psychology & Spirituality: How to help your clients and heal the human psyche
October, 2009	Ethical Pitfalls: Avoiding Professional Hazards
September, 2009	<b>MARI Level I</b> training
August, 2009	20 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary conference of EMDRIA
May, 2009	Brent Adkinson's Emotional Intelligence in Relationships
March, 2009	Assessment and Treatment Planning by Liana Lowenstein
January, 2009	Humane Society University's Disaster Animal Response Team course
January, 2009	FEMA's Introduction to Incident Command System (ICS 100)
January, 2009	FEMA's Animals in Disaster, Community Planning
January, 2009	FEMA's Animals in Disaster, Awareness & Preparedness
December, 2008	Combat stress and PTSD
October, 2008	Embracing our Disowned Selves: Inner dialogues using our whole brain by Lucia Capacchione
October, 2008	Creative Journal: Art Therapy as a Daily Practice by Lucia Capacchione
September, 2008	Pet Partners Team Evaluator Course for <b>licensure</b>
September, 2008	Early Developmental Disorders Resulting from Abuse: Therapeutic Techniques for Intervention and Prevention
August, 2008	Bipolar: A new slant on the disorder
May, 2008:	The Interior Life of the Family: An Integration of EMDR and Contextual Family Therapy
April, 2008:	Working with Immigrant & Refugee Clients: Issues for Mental Health Professionals
March, 2008:	Ethical Decision Making in Play Therapy: Models and Applications Not just for Kids! Play Therapy Techniques for Adolescents
October, 2007:	But is it Ethical? Exploration of Issues in Counseling and Art Therapy
October, 2007:	Primordial Energy Activation and Transcendence (PEAT) 6 day training for <b>certification</b>
September, 2007:	Altered Art: Art as Therapy for Restoration & Renewal
September, 2007:	Psychophysiology of Trauma (pediatrics and adults)
July, 2007:	Creating Personal Affirmations, Advanced Sandtray-Worldplay for Level VI graduates
July, 2007:	Couples Counseling: Effective Techniques to Create Harmony and Strengthen Relationships
April, 2007:	Self Mutilation Behavior in Youth and Adults: Causes, Treatment and Prevention
March, 2007:	Practical Child & Play Therapy Techniques with Aggressive Children Evocative Strategies in Play Therapy with Children and Adolescents
December, 2006:	Art Therapy and Anxiety (pediatrics and adults)
September, 2006:	Restoring the Creative Soul: Art, Spirituality and Grief (pediatrics and adults)
June, 2006:	The Power of Journal therapy: Fundamentals of Journal Writing as a Therapeutic Tool
May 2006:	Caring for Torture and War Trauma Survivors
June, 2005:	Mobile Team Challenge: Mobile ropes course and Conflict Resolution Experiential training
April, 2005:	Sensory Integration and Behavior Strategies Can Work Together (pediatrics)

## **EDUCATIONAL TRAININGS Continued:**

April, 2005:	PEAT Processor Training of Primordial Energy Activation and Transcendence
March, 2005:	Enhancing Play Therapy Effectiveness and Filial/Family Play Therapy Effectiveness
February, 2005:	<b>Level VI:</b> Sandtray-Worldplay
June, 2004:	Initial level of Energy Psychology Training per the Fred Gallo, Energy Diagnostic and Treatment Methods
May, 2004:	Trained in Eating Disorder Recovery through Pathways, Center for Eating Disorder Recovery
March, 2004:	Training in Developmentally Sensitive Posttraumatic Play Therapy & Practical Play for Sexually Traumatized Children
February, 2004:	<b>Level V</b> Training in Sandtray-Worldplay
February, 2003:	<b>Level IV</b> Training in Sandtray-Worldplay
November, 2002:	Critical Incident Stress Management Training
March, 2002:	Training using Play Therapy with Traumatized Children
March, 2002:	Advanced Techniques of Resource Installation using EMDR
February, 2002:	<b>Level III</b> Intensive Sandtray-Worldplay
October, 2001:	<b>Level III</b> Sandtray-Worldplay
April, 2000:	<b>Level II</b> Sandtray-Worldplay
November, 1999:	<b>Level I</b> Sandtray-Worldplay
August, 1998:	Treating Perpetrators of Domestic Violence
May, 1998:	Mobile Team Challenge, Facilitator for low mobile ropes course
April, 1998:	Using EMDR (Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing) with Adult Survivors of Childhood Abuse and Neglect
June, 1997:	Level II EMDR Training
September, 1996:	Using EMDR with Children and Adolescents
September, 1995:	Level I EMDR Training

## **PROFESSIONAL & CLINICAL EXPERIENCE:**

<b>August, 2005-Present:</b>	Clinical Coordinator/Instructor of Graduate Art Therapy Program at University of Louisville (part time August 2005- December, 2013; Position made full time, January, 2014).
August, 2004- December, 2004:	Facilitator of support group for Eating Disorder Recovery with Pathways, Center for Eating Disorder Recovery, Louisville, KY.
July, 2004:	Co-facilitated IOP for Eating Disorder Recovery group for adolescents at Pathways, Center for Eating Disorder Recovery, Louisville, KY.
October, 2001:	Called by Crisis Management International to work as a trauma specialist in NYC with the survivors of the September 11 attacks on the World Trade Center. The first week of October was spent facilitating Critical Incident Stress Management debriefings with groups and individuals who had held offices in the WTC.
August, 2000- August, 2005:	Clinical staff therapist in the offices of Dr. John Sullivan and Dr. David Lohr, working with children, adolescents and adults.
2000-2010:	Contracted by the State of Kentucky as a clinical behavioral mental health professional for working with severely emotionally and behaviorally disordered children as an Impact Plus Provider.
<b>1999-Present:</b>	Private practice art therapist/clinician with Creating Changes Counseling, Louisville, KY.
<b>1994-2006:</b>	Expressive Therapist/clinical staff therapist at Caritas Peace Center (formerly Our Lady of Peace Hospital), Louisville, KY. Facilitated individual and groups involving art therapy, play therapy, animal assisted therapy, EMDR, etc. with children, adolescents, adults and older adults.
1993-1998:	Private practice art therapist/clinician at Drawbridges Counseling Service, Louisville, KY.
1993-1994:	PRN Art Therapist at Our Lady of Peace Hospital, Louisville, KY.
March, 1994:	Crisis Intervention at Assumption High School, Louisville, KY.
1993-1995:	"Holiday Help" Speaker for Accord, Inc., based in Louisville, KY. Seminars held in various locations across the United States. Subject of grief recovery.
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1993-1995:	"Holiday Help" Speaker for Accord, Inc., based in Louisville, KY. Seminars held in various locations across the United States. Subject of grief recovery.
1993:	Trauma/crisis interventions at St. Martha's Middle School, Louisville, KY.
1992-1993:	Co-therapist for closed Inner Child Adult Survivor Group in the offices of Joan Kincade, MA, CCDC, Louisville, KY.

- 1992: Co-facilitator of loss/grief workshop at Paoli Elementary School in Paoli, IN.  
 1992-1993: Co-therapist for Surviving a Murder Effectively (SAME) Support Group.  
 1992-1993: Co-therapist for younger widows support group

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE / PROFESSIONAL LECTURES:**

- May, 2017 Accompanied U of L graduate students in the Counseling and Human development department in International learning; traveling to Ireland to study their mental health system and art therapy.
- April, 2017 Developed self-study training/test questions for licensure board (LPAT) "Board Approved Supervisor"
- September, 2016 Presented "sandtray 101" workshop for clinical staff at Hosparus
- February, 2015 Guest speaker for Women's Studies class at U of L on the therapeutic benefits of pets in Dr. Tami Harbolt's class
- November 2014 Created Board Approved Supervisor training in conjunction with other members of the art therapists Licensing board.
- June, 2010 Presented to KAPT members in Elizabethtown, KY: Graphic Development
- August, 2009 Facilitator for experiential activities to work on conflict areas related to bullying, cliques, as well as developing good friend behaviors and team building, etc. with Stopher Elementary' 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade girls.
- June, 2009 Presenter for KYATA with Jennifer Jackson, "On your own: Pros and cons of owning your own art therapy business."
- March, 2009 Presenter for Alzheimer's Association regarding Animal Assisted Therapy/Benefits of Pet Therapy "You want to do WHAT???!?! Bring a dog in here? Strategies for Behaviors through Animal Assisted Therapy"
- August, 2008 Guest instructor for Service Learning on Pet Therapy at Liberty High School, Louisville, KY
- August, 2005-Present:** Clinical Co-Coordinator/Instructor of Graduate Art Therapy Program at University of Louisville  
 2005-present Instructor for Clinical Art Therapy I and II classes; Practicum Class; Field Studies  
 2011-present Instructor for Applied Methods Class  
 2013, Fall semester Instructor for Multicultural and Diversity issues class  
 2014, Spring semester Instructor for Prevention and counseling in substance abuse
- October, 2004: Guest lecturer at University of Kentucky.
- March, 2004: Presentation to University of Louisville, Expressive Techniques graduate class Subjects: Animal Assisted Therapy; EMDR.
- February, 2004: Presentation to Lassiter Middle School in their Health Promotion School for Excellence. Subjects: Adolescent Stress Management and Anger Management.
- February, 2004: Presentation to parents of Barrett Traditional Middle School students on Depression and Suicide Prevention.
- February, 2004: Presentation of EMDR to student nurses from Jefferson Community College.
- Fall 2003-2005: Part-time Adjunct Instructor at University of Louisville: School of Education, Education Counseling & Psychology Program, instructor for graduate students in Clinical Art Therapy I and II.
- September, 2002: Guest lecturer at Indiana University Southeast for nursing students regarding the benefits of Animal Assisted Therapy/Pet Therapy with Parker, registered therapy dog.
- September, 2002: Keynote Address speaker to the Kansas Art Therapy Association in their 25<sup>th</sup> annual conference.
- August, 2002: Assisted high school students at Liberty High School with information and presentation on interpreting dreams and their symbols.
- May, 2002: Guest lecturer at U of L's Expressive Therapies Department on the topics of Sandtray Therapy and Animal Assisted Therapy/Pet Therapy with registered therapy dogs, Otis and Parker.
- October, 2001: Presented experiential workshop to the students of Holy Cross High School in Louisville, KY, for their mentoring class.
- September, 2001: Offered experiential presentation of the Mobile Team Challenge and Expressive Therapy to U of L nursing students during their rotation at Caritas Peace Center.
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- June, 2001: Guest lecturer at U of L's Expressive Therapies Department on topics of EMDR and Animal Assisted Therapy with Otis, registered therapy dog.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE / PROFESSIONAL LECTURES continued:**

- February, 2001: Presented experiential workshop to the students of Holy Cross High School in Louisville, KY, for their mentoring class.
- September, 2000: Presented experiential workshop to the students of Holy Cross High School in Louisville, KY, for their mentoring class.
- February, 2000: Guest lecturer at U of L's Expressive Therapies Department, Expressive Techniques class on the subject of Animal Assisted Therapy.
- January, 2000: Guest lecturer for clinical staff at Maryhurst group home in Louisville, KY. Topic was regarding EMDR for the clinical staff working with emotionally disturbed and behaviorally disordered adolescent females.
- January, 2000: Presented experiential workshop to the students of Fern Creek High School in Louisville, KY, for their mental health week.
- September 1999: Guest lecturer at U of L's Expressive Therapies Department, Expressive Techniques class regarding the topic of pet therapy.
- July, 1999: Presented to community of professionals in the Health Promotion School for Excellence on the use of experiential low ropes course at Caritas Peace Center, Louisville, KY.
- March, 1999: Guest lecturer at U of L's Expressive Therapies Department, Expressive Techniques class regarding the use of EMDR.

## **WORKSHOPS AND PRESENTATIONS:**

- October, 2017 Presented break out session for 2017 Help, Hope Heal conference for the Orphan Care Alliance
- September 2015-Present Presented in fall and spring of the year to wellness class at Our Lady of Lourdes elementary school on benefits of pet assisted therapy, EFT and art therapy for self-care and emotional regulation
- March, 2014 Presented Art Therapy interventions to use with school youth to the Oldham County, KY School Guidance Counselor's Network meeting.
- May, 2013 Presented workshop on the benefits of art therapy with older adults at the KY Assisted Living Facilities Association (KALFA) as part of their annual conference.
- February, 2013 Presented Art Therapy interventions to use with school youth to the Oldham County, KY School Guidance Counselor's Network meeting
- June, 2012 Presented workshop on benefits of art therapy with participants from Parkinson's Support Group
- September, 2011 Presented workshop on Mental Health and Aging; benefits of art therapy and pet therapy.
- March, 2011 Co-presented at conference of Southern Volunteer Services on benefits of "pet therapy."
- February, 2011 Co-presented benefits of Animal Assisted Therapy and WAGS at The Brook Hospital, KMI
- February, 2011 Keynote speaker at WKU Bowling Green on Animal Assisted Therapy
- June, 2010 Presented to KAPT members in Elizabethtown, KY: Graphic Development
- August, 2009 Facilitator for experiential activities to work on conflict areas related to bullying, cliques, as well as developing good friend behaviors and team building, etc. with Stopher Elementary 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade girls.
- June, 2009 Presenter for KYATA with Jennifer Jackson, "On your own: Pros and cons of owning your own art therapy business."
- March, 2009 Presenter for Alzheimer's Association regarding Animal Assisted Therapy/Benefits of Pet Therapy "You want to do WHAT???!?! Bring a dog in here? Strategies for Behaviors through Animal Assisted Therapy"
- September, 2008 Presented to KAPT members in N. KY on "Playing with mood states and media."
- August, 2008: Presented in Service Learning at Liberty High School in Louisville, KY, benefits of Animal Assisted Activities and Therapy, with Therapy dog, Parker.
- November, 2007: Presented "Media Properties with Mood States/Mind States" and "Group Art Therapy Work or Individual Art Therapy" at the First Annual Lake Cumberland "Focusing on the Children" Conference.
- July, 2004: Engaged underprivileged elementary school aged children in development of skill building at summer camp with St. Anthony's Church in conjunction with Caritas Peace Center.
- May, 2004: Facilitated experiential workshop on team building to select units and staff at Caritas Peace Center.
- Fall 2003- Facilitated experiential workshops to students of Iroquois Middle School and
- Spring, 2005: Southern Leadership Academy who were in anger management and coping skills classes.
- September, 2002: Facilitated experiential workshop to the students of Holy Cross High School in Louisville, KY, for their mentoring class and team building.

## **WORKSHOPS AND PRESENTATIONS CONTINUED:**

- September, 2002: Presented break out session during "All of You," a forum on breast cancer awareness and survival focusing on "Follow Your Heart; Tips for Finding Joy in Your Life."
- June, 2002: Co-facilitated experiential workshop using the Mobile Team Challenge with elementary school aged children at Hawthorne Elementary School, Louisville, KY.
- May, 2002: Collaborated with Jane Hahn from the Louisville Orchestra to bring musicians to Caritas Peace Center to interact/present & educate adolescent and children populations on acute units about music.
- March, 2000: Presented to community of professionals in the Health Promotions School for Excellence, the use of experiential low ropes course for learning at Caritas Peace Center, Louisville, KY.
- March, 1999: Part of panel discussion at U of L's Expressive Therapies Open House, Louisville, KY.
- October, 1998: Collaborated with Dr. Mary Ellen Zuverink for a presentation on the use EMDR to the Kentucky Art Therapy Association membership.
- October, 1998: Part of a panel discussion at U of L's Expressive Therapies Department in Applied Methods class.
- April, 1998: Speaker at Male High School's Career Day, Louisville, KY.
- January, 1998: Presentation of the healing power of art, and sexual abuse indicators to the teachers at Shelby County preschool, Shelbyville, KY.
- May, 1996: Guest presenter at the conference of the Ronald McDonald House Professional Caregivers, Louisville, KY. "Coping with Grief."
- March, 1996: Panel discussion at the Open House for Expressive Therapies in Louisville, KY.

## **CLINICAL PRACTICUMS:**

- Spring 1993: Practicum student Expressive Therapist with Drawbridges Counseling Service, Louisville, KY. Working with trauma related cases.
- 1992-1993: Practicum student Grief Counselor at Heady's Funeral Homes, Louisville, KY.
- 1991-1993: Practicum student Expressive Therapist/grief counselor at Accord, Inc., Louisville, KY. Working with trauma related cases.

## **SUPERVISORY EXPERIENCE:**

- 2014-present Board Approved Supervisor for Licensed Professional Art Therapist Associates (LPATA)
- 2005-present Faculty supervisor for graduate art therapy students in program at U of L
- 2003-2006: Supervisor for peer supervision group: EMDR trained & practicing clinicians at Caritas Peace Center, Louisville, KY.
- 2001-present** Serve as team leader for WAGS volunteer pet therapy visits at various sites.
- 1996-present** Supervisor for professional credentialing for new art therapists.
- 1994-July, 2005: Clinical on-site supervisor for graduate level Expressive Therapies Students, undergraduate students and Educational Counseling and Psychology Students at Caritas Peace Center, Louisville, KY.
- 1983-1990: Supervisor of seasonal workers on large 100+ acre fruit farm.

## **PUBLICATIONS:**

- 2002 Book review of The Dynamics of Art as Therapy with Adolescents, by Bruce Moon in Art Therapy Journal, 2002. Vol. 19 (4).
- November, 1994 "A Case Study of an Adolescent Mother Grieving the Death of Her Child Due to Sudden Infant Death Syndrome," American Journal of Art Therapy, Vol., 33.

## **RESEARCH:**

- September, 1997 Collaborated with Catholic Health Initiatives, parent company of Caritas Peace Center, in a pilot study of the effects of EMDR vs. Expressive Therapy.

## **MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS:**

- Association of Pet Dog Trainers (APDT) 2012-2013
- American Psychological Association 2007-2008
- Crisis Care Network, (CCN), 2004-present
- Delta Society, 2001-2012
- Wonderful Animals giving Support, (WAGS), 1999-present
- Association for Play Therapy, (APT), 1999-present

- Kentucky Association for Play Therapy, (KAPT), 1998-present
- Crisis Management International, (CMI), 1997-2004
- EMDR International Association, (EMDRIA), 1996-present
- Kentucky Art Therapy Association, (KYATA), 1992-present
- American Art Therapy Association, (AATA), 1991-present

### **PROFESSIONAL OFFICES:**

July 17, 2013-present: Appointed to position of Chair for KY Licensing Board for Professional Art Therapists  
 January, 2011-present: Appointed to KY Licensing Board for Professional Art Therapists (LPAT)  
 September, 2008-March, 2011: Regional Coordinator for EMDRIA  
 January 2010-December, 2010: President of WAGS (Wonderful Animals Giving Support)  
 January 2009-December, 2009: President-Elect of WAGS  
 January 2008-December, 2008: Served as President of WAGS  
 January 2007-December, 2008: Served as President of KYATA (KY Art Therapy Association)  
 January 2007-December, 2007: Served as President-Elect of WAGS  
 January 2006-December, 2006: Served as President of WAGS  
 September, 2004: Elected to KYATA Executive Board for 2005-2006 (2 year term) as President-Elect  
 January 1996-December, 1997: Served one term as the Delegate to the Assembly with the Executive Board of KYATA  
 1996-Present: Executive Board member of Orton Farms, Inc.

### **MEDIA APPEARANCES AND INTERVIEWS:**

August, 2004: Appeared on WFPL, a NPR station on the show, "State of Affairs," to discuss the benefits of play therapy.  
 May, 2003: Featured in the Courier Journal's "Snapshots of People at Work."  
 October, 2001-present: Numerous appearances and interviews with local TV and newspapers regarding the topics of trauma, working with the survivors of September 11 attack on NYC, as well as animal assisted therapy, play therapy, and expressive therapy.  
 July, 2001: Appeared on the NPR talk radio program "State of Affairs" at WFPL with the founders of WAGS pet therapy group on the benefits of pet therapy and animal assisted therapy.  
 February, 2001: Featured in Today's Woman, a local magazine publication regarding animal assisted therapy and pet therapy.

### **AWARDS AND MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION:**

November 2017-Present Working towards Certification in Havening (Anticipated by June 2018)  
 June, 2009- present: Received licensure as Licensed Professional Art Therapist in KY  
 2009-present: Received licensure as Evaluator with WAGS  
 2008-2012: Received licensure as Team Evaluator through Delta Society  
 2008- present: Received Certification in EMDR therapy  
 2007- present: Received Certification as Certified PEAT Processor  
 2005- present: Received Board Certification (ATR-BC) with the Art Therapy Credentialing Board  
 2003: Received registration through Delta Society as a Pet Partners Team with Parker, my standard poodle therapy dog.  
 2001: Introduced an Animal Assisted Therapy program at Caritas Peace Center, (OLOP), as well as coordinating pet therapy volunteers for evening visits with patients.  
 2001: Received registration through Delta Society as a Pet Partners Team with Otis, my Bullmastiff therapy dog.  
 1996: Certified by the Kentucky board of Certification for Professional Art Therapists.  
 1996: Registered (ATR) by the American Art Therapy Association

### **VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES:**

May 2017-Present WAGS Volunteer Ambassador team visiting St. Joseph's Children's Home  
 May 2016- Present WAGS Volunteer Ambassador team for Commonwealth Attorney's Child Advocates  
 June 2015-Present Volunteer for The Bullpen Way Station & Sanctuary as foster family, canine evaluator & home inspections  
 Feb 2014- May 2014 Nativity Academy's after school reading program with registered therapy dog.

**VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES CONTINUED:**

- 2009-2011            Academic school years: assisting select students at Barret Middle School in a read program with registered therapy dog on a weekly basis.
- 2007-2012            Monthly pet therapy visit with Parker to Sally's Garden, memory care center at Masonic Homes.
- 2007-2012            Monthly pet therapy visit with Parker to St. Joseph's Children's Home.
- 1999-Present        Volunteer with WAGS: Board positions; Evaluator for pet therapy teams; video production, teaching WAGS 101, writing training manual, creating evaluation score sheets, etc.