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## Herron School of Art and Design welcomes Juliet King, director of the new Master of Art in Art Therapy Program



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It's said that "art heals by accepting the pain and doing something with it." Now Herron School of Art and Design is the only school in Indiana to offer a two-year, full-time residential Master of Art in Art Therapy program. The program is designed for students who have a solid grounding in psychology and studio art and seek to become professional practitioners of the visual arts applied to therapy. Juliet L. King is the new offering's director.

King holds a master of art degree in art therapy from Hahnemann University, is a registered art therapist and a licensed professional counselor. She has 15 years' experience as a clinician, administrator and professor of art therapy. She has maintained a private practice serving adolescents and adults through art and verbal psychotherapy. She served as a faculty member in the Department of Creative Arts Therapies at Drexel University since 2007.

King has worked extensively with children diagnosed with behavioral and conduct disorders, and has direct experience with psychiatric inpatient populations. Her current research focuses on the integration of art therapy and neuroscience.

"It is an honor to be in this position," said King. "The graduate art therapy program at Herron will prepare students well with the comprehensive education and clinical training they need to enter a field that is necessary and in high demand. Herron is perfectly positioned in its contemporary, creative environment and within the urban campus of IUPUI and the IU Health system to create momentum for learning and uphold the highest standards for the provision of quality healthcare."

Herron's Master of Art in Art Therapy program includes a partnership with Riley Hospital for Children. Clinical internships within the IU Health system and the surrounding community are a part of the coursework.

Students who successfully pursue this new degree will emerge prepared with academic, clinical and research experience to obtain the credentials of Registration as an Art Therapist (ATR) and Licensure as a Mental Health Counselor (LMHC).

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“Juliet King brings years of clinical experience in private practice and a passion for the expanding field of art therapy in higher education,” said Dean Valerie Eickmeier. “Her vision and leadership coupled with the excellent partnership opportunities that IU Health offers will make Herron’s program one of the nation’s best.”

For admission requirements or other specific questions about Herron’s new art therapy program, contact Professor King at:

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