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Veteran and ceramist Ehren Tool, a visiting artist at Herron School of Art and Design, will be part of “*Veterans Reclaim Armistice Day: Healing through the Humanities.*” Image courtesy of the artist.



Juliet King
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Herron’s Director of Art Therapy Juliet King to speak at two Spirit and Place events

Juliet King, MA, ATR-BC, LPC, the director of Herron School of Art and Design’s Art Therapy program, will be part of two, 2012 Spirit and Place events. Working with a broad variety of community partners, King will participate in panel discussions related to the benefits of clinical art therapy intervention.

Art & Play in Child Psychiatry

On Tuesday, November 6, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., King will join a discussion on **Art & Play in Child Psychiatry** at the Indiana Medical History Museum. The program is free, but requires advanced registration due to limited seating.

In addition to King, scheduled panelists for a 45-minute discussion include: **Judith Bealke, MD**, Assistant Professor of Clinical Psychiatry at IU School of Medicine and Larue D. Carter Memorial Hospital; **Kelly Blankenship, DO**, Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist at Midtown Child and Adolescent Services; **Heidi Fledgerjohn, MA, BC-DMT**, Dance Movement Therapist; **Jill Hunsberger, LCSW, IMH-E® (III)**, Infant Mental Health Specialist Clinical Supervisor at Midtown Child and Adolescent Services; and **Michelle Itezak, MA, ATR-BC, LMHC**, Art Therapist.

Play therapy developed as a method to understand the inner lives of children, whose means of processing and expressing emotions differ from those of adults.

Art therapy, which is used for a wide variety of age groups and for wide range of diagnoses, began developing at about the same time. It combines art and psychology using artistic expression to free images from inside the person, rather than capture images from the outside world.

Both of these therapies make accessible underlying feelings and emotions, so they can be addressed.

Attendees will have a chance to learn more about play therapy in a companion exhibit, which will offer glimpses into a play therapy room with objects, images and text panels describing the space,

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methods and history of art and play therapies. Refreshments will be available, and the panelists will be on hand to answer questions. To register, email education@imhm.org, call 317-635-7329, or go to <http://www.spiritandplace.org/Festival.aspx?access=Details&Year=2012&EventScheduleID=860>.

Veterans Reclaim Armistice Day: Healing through the Humanities

On Saturday, Nov. 11, King will join local experts and speakers from around the country at the Indiana War Memorial for a day-long slate of activities that are part of “**Veterans Reclaim Armistice Day: Healing through the Humanities**,” organized by the Kurt Vonnegut Memorial Library. Vonnegut was a veteran.

The events are free and open to the public beginning at noon, and coincide with the 90th anniversary of Vonnegut’s birth. The aim is to spotlight the importance of the arts and humanities as a tool to help veterans better understand and heal from their experiences of war.

Students from the first cohort of Art Therapy master’s degree candidates at Herron will join King and others in the panel discussion that begins at 1:45 p.m. In addition, Ehren Tool, a veteran himself, and a ceramist from California who is a visiting artist at Herron School of Art and Design, will be on site to create works in response to the day’s events.

These works will be shown in subsequent exhibits at the IUPUI Campus Center and in Herron’s Eskenazi Fine Art Center.

To register, for this event, go to <http://www.spiritandplace.org/Festival.aspx?access=Details&Year=2012&EventScheduleID=647>

For more information about Herron’s School of Art and Design’s Art Therapy Program, go to <http://www.herron.iupui.edu/art-therapy>

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