

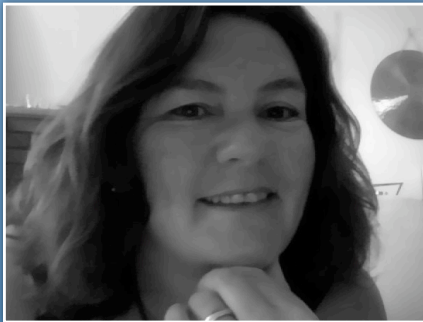


World Federation of Music Therapy
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PRESIDENT PRESENTS...



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Member Profile: AMTA (Australia)

Dear Colleagues,

It is my distinguished pleasure to feature the Australian Music Therapy Association (AMTA) this month. Our Australian colleagues saw the value of a worldwide music therapy organization early on and have been active in developing this organisation. Ruth Bright, one of the pioneers in our field, was in fact a founding member and served as the second President of the World Federation of Music Therapy. As chairperson of the Commission on Education, Training and Registration, Dr. Denise Grocke made major contributions to the development of the worldwide music therapy training standards. She also served as the fifth President of the WFMT. Susan Coull was the 2005 World Congress Organizer, and Dr. Jane Edwards the chairperson for the Commission on Government Accreditation. Today, Anja Tait serves as our WFMT Regional Liaison for Australia/New Zealand and keeps us connected and informed about the excellent work coming out of this region of the world.

The WFMT and the field of music therapy has prospered because of so many talented Australian colleagues who passionately contributed through research, education, and clinical practice as you will learn from AMTA President Louise Miles Member Profile. Special thanks to Louise for making this happen.

Petra Kern



Greetings to all from Australia,

It is with great appreciation that as president of the AMTA, I send greetings to all members of the World Federation of Music Therapy. I would like to thank Dr. Petra Kern and the WFMT for their invitation to feature the Australian Music Therapy Association (AMTA) under the new Member Profile series on the WFMT website.

Please access the AMTA website at www.austmta.org.au for more information about music therapy in Australia.

Louise Miles, President AMTA (Australia)



BA(Hons), Post Grad Dip Music Therapy, Cert IV in Psychotherapy, RMT

Mission Statement

The mission of the Australian Music Therapy Association, Inc is to support and develop the professional standing of music therapy in Australia and to encourage the highest quality of research and training for music therapists.

Goals & Objectives of the AMTA

The purposes of the association are:

1. To advance the profession of music therapy in order to promote the health and well-being of the community by:
 - b. Establishing and maintaining professional standards of practice for Registered Music Therapists in Australia

AMTA Accredited Training Programs

- University of Melbourne: Drs. Denise Grocke and Dr. Katrina McFerran
- University of Queensland: Drs. Kylie Morgan and Felicity Baker
- University of Western Sydney: Alan Lem
(in partnership with Nordoff-Robbins Australia)
- University of Technology, Sydney: Dr. Rosemary Faire

National Music therapy Research Unit (NAMTRU)

Music Therapy post-graduate study at the University of Melbourne is promoted through NAMTRU, which was established in 1999 following the successful International Music-Medicine Conference in 1998. The objectives of NAMTRU are:

- Promote research into all aspects of music therapy
- Provide a research milieu in which postgraduate students can be supported and inspired to conduct research studies in music therapy
- Provide a balance of scientific, theoretical, clinical, and musical dimensions in research studies
- Develop a strong national and international research identity in music therapy, through collaboration with national and international partners
- Actively seek research grants through government competitive schemes (such as ARC and NH&MRC) and other non-government schemes ([read more about current projects](#))
- Disseminate research outcomes through national and international publications (refereed journals and books) and national and international conferences, seminars, and symposia.

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- c. Establishing and maintaining standards of education and training in music therapy
- d. Establishing and maintaining standards of ethical conduct for all members of the association
- e. Encouraging and promoting research in music therapy
- f. Encouraging and developing a body of literature furthering the practice of music therapy
2. To serve as the primary organizational body for music therapy and provide service to its' members by:
 - a. Providing and promoting a central body of information on all aspects relating to music therapy
 - b. Representing the interests of registered music therapists (RMTs) in matters relating to government legislation, employment and salary scales
 - c. Encouraging and assisting RMTs in their practice as clinicians through continuing professional development and other activities
 - d. Promoting music therapy and providing education about music therapy to other professional disciplines and the community
 - e. Seeking solutions to problems affecting the practice of music therapy in Australia

National Committees 2010

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 Dr. Felicity Baker
 Dr. Katrina McFerran
 Lorna Sherwin
 Susan Ashley-Brown
 Catherine Wilmot
 Maggie Leung
 Anne Thompson

State branches exist in NSW, VIC, QLD, TAS and SA. Representatives are elected in NT and ACT. For details please contact the administrator.

Prominent Publications



The Australian Journal of Music Therapy – published annually



A network magazine for RMTs – published quarterly

The AMTA has a strong history with the WFMT, one of our past presidents, Ruth Bright and Denise Grocke were in fact President of WFMT in 1990 and 1999 respectively and we have hosted the 11. World Congress of Music Therapy in Brisbane, Australia in 2005 (see archive World Congress and 25. Anniversary February 2010 Event). As members of WFMT we hope to continue the opportunities for communication with music therapists worldwide.

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