



Fact Page about Music Therapy in North America

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	United States	Canada
National Association	American Music Therapy Association (AMTA) phone: 301 589-3300 fax: 301 589-5175 email: info@musictherapy.org web: http://www.musictherapy.org	Canadian Association for Music Therapy (CAMT) Phone: 1 800 996 2268 fax: 519 886-9351 email: camt@bellnet.ca web: http://www.musictherapy.ca
When professional organization began	1950 National Association for Music Therapy 1971 American Association for Music Therapy 1998 Two organizations merged	1975
Professional publications	<i>Journal of Music Therapy</i> <i>Music Therapy Perspectives</i> <i>Music Therapy Matters Online</i>	<i>Canadian Journal of Music Therapy</i> <i>CAMT newsletter</i>
Supporting regions or provinces	7 regions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Great Lakes Region • Mid-Atlantic Region • Midwestern Region • New England Region • Southeastern Region • Southwestern Region • Western Region 	7 provincial chapters <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Atlantic Association for Music Therapy • Association québécoise de musicothérapie • Music Therapy Association of Ontario • Music Therapy Association of Manitoba • Music Therapy Association of Saskatchewan • Music Therapy Association of Alberta • Music Therapy Association of BC
Mission Statement	The mission of the American Music Therapy Association is to advance public awareness of the benefits of music therapy and increase access to quality music therapy services in a rapidly changing world.	The mission of the Canadian Association for Music Therapy is to promote excellence in music therapy practice, education and development, to further the awareness of music therapy in Canada, and to serve as an organizational agency for its members.
Current president	Ronna Kaplan, MA, MT-BC	Guylaine Vaillancourt, Ph.D., MTA
Professional credentials	Board Certification from Certification Board for Music Therapists (CBMT) Title: Music Therapist-Board Certified (MT-BC)	Accreditation from Canadian Association for Music Therapy (CAMT) Title: Music Therapist Accredited (MTA)
Re-accreditation process	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • through CBMT • 100 continuing education credits every 5 years or re-take CBMT exam 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • through CAMT • 100 continuing education credits every 5 years
Number of professionals	2,433	340
Number of MTs with credentials	4,900	340
Number of schools	73	7
Number of schools offering graduate degree	31	2
Next national conference	November 17-20, 2011 in Atlanta, Georgia	May 5-7, 2011 in Winnipeg, Manitoba