

On the MaHRC

The Newsletter of the Music and Health Research Collaboratory
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Vibroacoustic Therapy Research in the News

The University of Toronto eBulletin ran a story on May 7 focusing on the research of MaHRC Associates, Quincy Almeida and Heidi Ahonen from Laurier University. Currently Heidi Ahonen, Dr. Lili Naghdi and Lee Bartel have a study underway examining vibroacoustic therapy with fibromyalgia. Please click the following link to see the eBulletin article.

<http://www.news.utoronto.ca/good-vibrations-using-sound-treat-disease>

Michael Schutz Research in the News

The research of MaHRC Associate Michael Schutz (McMaster University) was featured in a recent article in The Hearing Lab. The research points to application of new knowledge about the integration of seeing and hearing to research with autistic children. Please click the following link to read about the research of Dr. Schutz.

<http://www.hearinglab.org/news/schutz.html>

Alzheimer's Video Generating Much Interest

A video that recently went viral has generated much interest in the role of music in the treatment and care of dementia patients, especially related to the patient's sense of self. Click the following link to watch the video.

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/world/us-news-blog/2012/apr/12/alive-inside-documentary-healing-music>

Music Care Conference Toronto

Plans for the Music Care Conference at the Faculty of Music, University of Toronto on November 10 are now nearly complete. Registration will open shortly. Please see the flyer below for overview of the conference and mark the date.



Music Care

Training Caregivers in the Therapeutic Use of Music

Music Care Conference

Saturday November 10, 2012
Toronto, Ontario

The entire day was magnificent. I felt that I had walked into something special from the moment I arrived and that was confirmed as presenter after presenter inspired and motivated me.

-2011 Music Care conference participant

Music touches every part of us: our bodies, emotions, minds, relationships and souls and can make a difference in our quality of life and well-being. This one day conference is for:

- Nurses
- PSWs
- Rec therapists
- Music therapists
- Musicians
- Music educators
- Teachers
- Spiritual care providers
- Parish nurses, Stephen ministers
- Funeral care providers
- Bereavement and grief counsellors
- Students
- Family and volunteer caregivers
- Music Lovers
- Physicians
- Social Workers

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Keynote Speakers and Performers



Dr. Connie Tomaino – Executive Director Institute for Music and Neurological Function, NY

, Vice President Music Therapy Services, Beth Abraham Family of Health Services, Bronx, NY

Deborah Salmon – Music Therapist, McGill University Health Centre's Palliative Care Service



Amy Syy
Singer/Song Writer

Dr. Lee Bartel – Professor of Music and Associate Dean – Research, Faculty of Music, University of Toronto

Acting Director of the Music and Health Research Collaboratory



Topics to include: Sound Health • Music Care • Singing for your Health • Music Care across cultures • Drumming for your Health • Music therapy in Parkinson's and Alzheimer's disease • Music and Whole Person Care at End of Life • Music and Parent/Infant bonding • Music and Mindfulness • Music technology in care

Presented by:

