



**THE
BRITISH COLUMBIA
PLAY THERAPY ASSOCIATION**



2017 SECOND JOINT NATIONAL CONFERENCE

MAKING CONNECTIONS IN PLAY AND THERAPY

CALL FOR PAPERS—DEADLINE EXTENDED

to October 15, 2016



**MAY 12-14, 2017
UBC ROBSON SQUARE
VANCOUVER, BC**

**Our keynote speakers:
DR. BRENDA WEINBERG
and
DR. JOHN ALLAN
together with
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RPT-S**



**“We are never more fully alive,
more completely ourselves, or
more deeply engrossed in
anything, than when we are at
play.”**

(Charles E. Schaefer)



Play, in its many forms, engages us and allows us to completely abandon ourselves to a world of metaphor, opening both body and mind to all possibilities of what can be. Play and sandplay share much in common although they are also distinctive practices founded on particular theories and histories. This conference offers a rare opportunity for therapists to engage in informative conversations about how connections are made in therapy, be it play therapy, sandplay therapy, ecotherapy, art therapy, music therapy etc. The purpose of the conference is to facilitate learning and appreciation of similarities and differences, to encourage provocative dialogue among practitioners, and to promote collegiality amongst therapists who value play and creative expression in their clinical practice.



The conference theme has been chosen for its potential to invoke ideas and curiosity about the nature and role of play, playing, and process across modalities. We welcome proposals across this broad dimension, including those with relevant examples of case material.

Consider how your topic would address questions that practitioners often ask themselves about their work, such as:

- 🌀 What is the importance of connection in play and therapy?
- 🌀 What is the nature of the relational interactions activated by play?
- 🌀 What is the nature of the therapeutic play space and how does this connect to the therapy process?
- 🌀 How does play promote growth and/or healing? How do we strengthen the mind/body connection? What is symbolic play, how does it work?

In your presentation you may wish to examine the relationship of therapy with image, imagination, or creativity. You may want to reflect on or bring to light an interesting discovery or a question that you cannot answer at this time. You may wonder what defines play as sacred, what makes connection sacred? What does connection mean to you and how do you achieve this with therapy? We invite you to consider how you might share with us your work within this broad conference theme.

Please notice that the new deadline for receipt of proposals by email or snail mail is:

Saturday, October 15, 2016

Please notice that we do not have online capability.

Print and complete the following form and forward it to:

By e-mail: olipa@arttherapyolipa.com

Or by mail: Olga Lipadatova
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Ontario, Canada, N1H 7N4

With the exception of the keynote, participation will be on a voluntary basis.

You will be notified by November 15, 2016, of your acceptance and will be sent details on the time and location of your presentation once the final programme is complete.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The Conference Committee has tentatively agreed to publish the proceedings of the Conference as a volume with Cambridge Scholars Publishing. When working on your presentation please prepare the text which could be published and follow the APA standard. If you do not wish to be published please state it explicitly in your proposal. You will receive further instructions in respect the future publication after the acceptance of the proposals will be completed.

To register go to: <http://www.bcplaytherapy.ca/conference/>

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PROPOSAL OUTLINE

TITLE OF PRESENTATION (MAXIMUM 12 WORDS)

presenter information			
	Main Presenter #1	Presenter # 2	Presenter #3
First, Last Name			
Credentials			
Address			
City			
Province/State, Postal Code/Zip			
Country			
Email			
Phone			
Fax			
Mini-Bio (30 Words)			
	Presenter # 4	Presenter # 5	Presenter # 6
First, Last Name			
Credentials			
Address			
City			
Province/State, Postal Code/Zip			

Country			
Email			
Phone			

		Check all that apply
TARGET AUDIENCE	Newcomers to Play Therapy	
	Students of Play Therapy	
	Seasoned Play Therapists	
	Teaching Members & Supervisors	
		Mark with an X
AV EQUIPMENT	Flip Chart w/Markers	
	Dry Erase Board w/Markers	In all rooms
	Overhead Projector	
	Slide Projector	
	Power Point Projector	
	LCD Projector	
	DVD Player & Projector	
	CD Player	
	Microphone	
	Other Describe:	
Duration: 1h 30 min <input type="checkbox"/> 3h <input type="checkbox"/>		
AVAILABILITY	Please indicate days you CANNOT present	
	Saturday May 13	
	Sunday May 14	

ABSTRACT (MAXIMUM 50 WORDS)

DESCRIPTION (250 WORDS)