

Enhancing the Rehabilitation Experience Through Art

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EXPERIENCE ART



- **❖ Intro to Experience Art**
- Benefits of Experience Art
- Re-Animating/Animating the Brain & Spirit
- Mentoring Through Art & Experience
- **❖** Where Do We Create From Here?



INTRO to Experience Art

- Jared's story
- Therapeutic Recreation
- Donor Support
- Audience Volunteers?





Benefits of Engaging in Art

- Promotes Creative Growth
- Enhances Problem-Solving Skills
- Encourages Stress Relief,& Positivity
- Boosts Self-Confidence
- Offers a Healthy Challenge

- Fosters Emotional Awareness and Growth
- Bolsters Memory, Concent ration, & Spatial Awareness
- Improves Fine Motor Skills



"Would you like to *Experience*Art... Learn to Paint?"

Common responses...

- "I haven't painted since I was a kid in school!"
- "I can only draw a stick figure!"
- "I can't use my hands now."





BENEFITS OF EXPERIENCE ART

- 1. Social Bonding
- 2. Stress Respite
- 3. Emotional Channeling
- 4. (Re-)Animating the Brain & Spirit
- 5. Resourceful Physical Function
- 6. Motivation, Inspiration, and Setting Goals
- 7. Mentoring opportunity



Social Bonding

- Defeating hospital Isolation
- Togetherness
- Story Telling
- Connecting





Stress Respite

- Free the mind
- Engaging the brain
- Get in a "zone"
- Fresher perspective
- Lower cortisol levels[3]





Emotional Channeling

- Grief & loss
- Insight
- Self-Discovery and Self-Esteem







"Empathy" By Ray (on B.I.)











Animating [1] Definition:

To make someone seem more happy or active.

To move into action, to inspire action.

To give Spirit and Support to.

Encourage and **give** life to it.



Animating through Experience Art

- Activate a current or new interest
- Providing the opportunity and materials
- Offering instruction to develop further
- Encourage and give life to their experience



Animating the Brain



By Brad





By Becky

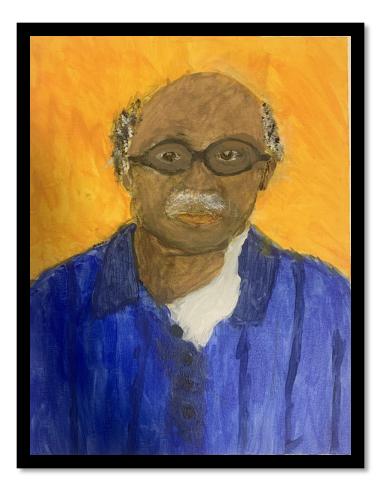


Animating the Brain



By Jaqueline





Grandfather by Brittany



Reanimating [1] definition:

To animate or become animated again: such as...

to bring back to life or to come back to life

to regain vitality or to restore vigor and zest to

restoring life or consciousness



To bring (someone or something) back to life or to come back to life











To regain vitality or to restore vigor and zest to (someone or something)











Resourceful Physical Function

- Mouth Sticks
- Hand Cuffs
- Standing Tolerance
- SittingTolerance/Balance
- Fine Motor





Hand Cuff

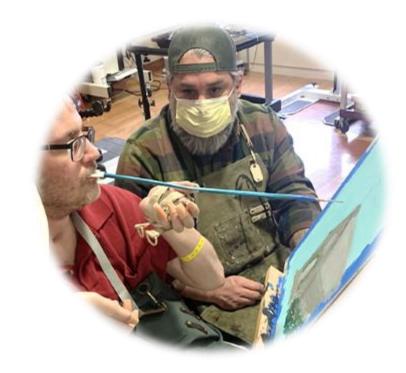






Mouth Stick











Motivation, Inspiration, and Setting Goals

- Starts with an invite... "Would you like to..."
 - Jared's role of instruction & inspiration
 - Patient's art goals



Mentoring Through Art & Experience



- Jared as an Artist Mentor
- Patient to patient mentoring
- Audience Volunteer's Experience!



Where Do We Create From Here?

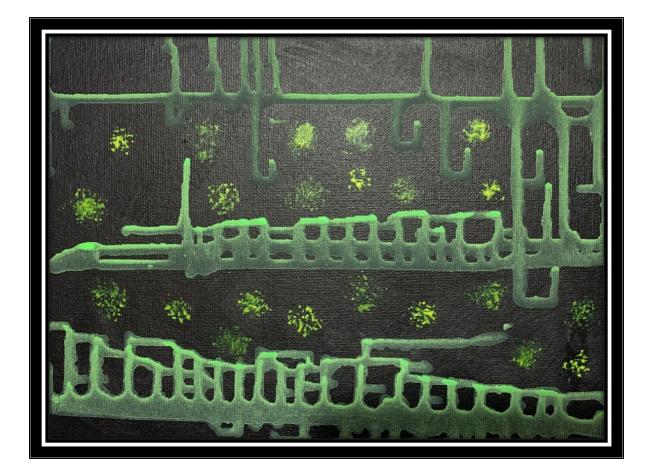
EXPERIENCE ART

- Donor Support
- 3 Dimensional, Digital
- Art Show
- A Studio for All

THERAPEUTIC RECREATION

- Transition from Activities Model
- Develop Art, Music, & Horticultural Therapies
- Develop Adapted Sports & Recreation
- Community Re-entry





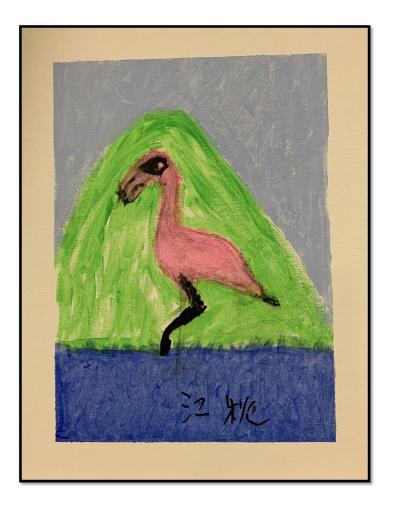
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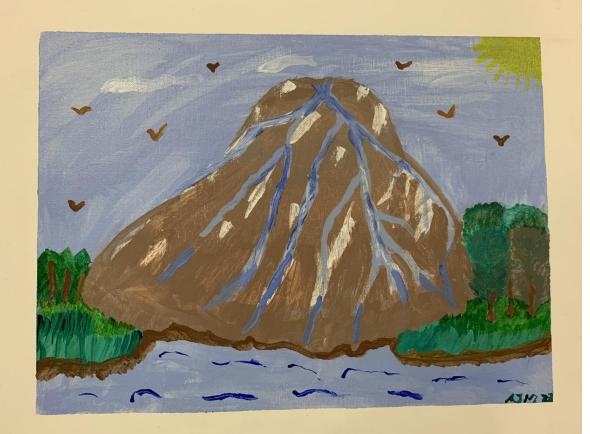
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Thank you!

Would You Like To Experience Art?