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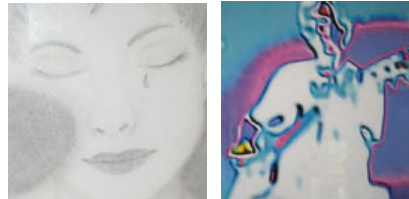
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"Healing takes courage, and we all have courage, even if we have to dig a little to find it" *Tori Amos*



HEALING THROUGH CREATIVITY SURVIVOR ART EVENT



Trauma Survivors and Supporters of Survivors of Trauma are invited to share art, music, writing, poetry and other creative forms at the Healing Through Creativity Festival.

When: October 10 -19, 2008
Where: West Virginia State University, WV, USA

The experience helps trauma survivors and promotes community understanding

**Upcoming HTC Sponsored Event - Common Good - Justice for Victims, Justice for All
 C o m m o n G o o d D a y at West Virginia State University on April 15 from 10AM until 9PM**
 More Information [here](#)

We open our hearts to support those who are making their way through the various stages of recovery from physical and psychological trauma. The event is inspired for the need in the community to support survivors and to seek additional resources and contacts to help in recovery. Once aware of supportive resources, individuals may follow up with any of the fine contacts from this event for more in-depth help, education and support. You know what you would give to keep just one person from suffering. Healing through Creativity promises to be a life changing experience.

Healing through Creativity features positive-focused expressions that will help trauma survivors and promote understanding. Survivors and supporters share the fun and excitement of creativity without the fears of judgment or undeserved guilt and shame. The event promotes community awareness about the needs of survivors of trauma to the body, mind and spirit. Workshops, speakers and displays promote prevention of assault and abuse.

Healing through Creativity helps to end the need for silence, the feelings of abandonment and the undeserved guilt often felt by survivors. The event recognizes organizations that educate, serve and protect the community. Healing through Creativity July 2006 was a breakthrough for all survivors and in July 2007, Healing through Creativity returned to serve even more. Planning is underway for Healing through Creativity 2008. Visit the recap of the Festival in the Survivor's News Section and in the photograph section for an idea of what the Festival is like. Workshops and entry are free.

Artistic works include: creative writing, poetry, painting, music, drama and other works. See workshops, hear speakers and develop your own creative talents.

We invite trauma survivors and their supporters to enter their original heart felt artistic works in this event. We are currently calling for participants and presenters who wish to join in the fun. Please use the forms on this site or contact us for further information.

Thank you

The Healing through Creativity July 2008 Team

[Click here to register for event updates](#)

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Common Good Day is being produced by Healing Through Creativity and cosponsored by the Community Behavioral Health Technology program. Common Good Day is a mini-Festival that coincides with National Crime Victims Rights Week (NCVRW) and Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM). There will be information tables by organizations that serve the community and students, music, poetry open mic, artistic work displays, drama and other activities. There will be a SAAM Poetry Slam broadcast by the Campus Radio. WVSU clubs, organizations and dorms as well as community organizations will compete to be the Common Good Presentation (music, drama, art etc.) Champion. Common Good will end with a Candle Light Vigil and music. Guidelines listed below may change, so check back frequently. Please feel free to contribute comments on the [HTC Forum](#).

SAAM Poetry Slam Guidelines - Poems must be no longer than three-minutes reading time, relate to SAAM or NCVRW and written in good taste (no profanity). The first 16 poems accepted will be read by the poet or the poet's designated reader. Poems accepted but not among the first 16, will be on standby and all poems will be on display at the WVSU Student Union on April 15, 2008. **How to Enter**-E-mail poems to HTC at info@healingthroughcreativity.org

Presentation Championship Guidelines - Organizations need to register by E-mailing HTC with the name of the organization, title of presentation, time length (12-minute max.) and script supporting crime prevention or victim services.

Poetry Open Mic Guidelines - Poetry accepted for display may be read at the poetry open mic. **How to Enter** - E-mail poetry to HTC with your name and the poem.

Artistic Display Guidelines - Artistic works using good taste, supporting crime prevention or trauma recovery, can be displayed. E-mail a photograph of your work to HTC for pre-approval. It will be the artist's responsibility to deliver and retrieve artistic works. Items must be ready for display (wire or hooks - frames are optional). Artists are encouraged to stay with their works. HTC and WVSU are not responsible for damage to art work at the Common Good.

Free **Music, drama and dance performances** will be featured. Those wishing to perform should E-mail their request to HTC.

Free **Workshops and Presentations** will be available and the schedule will be posted at the WVSU Student Union and on the HTC Web Site. Those wishing to give workshops or presentations should send a request to HTC via E-mail.

Information Fair - Organizations that work for the common good and serve the community will have information booths at the Student Union on April 15. To register as an organization for a booth, please E-mail a request to HTC.

HTC Places to Beee.....

HTC Meeting First Friday of each month at the Kanawha County Library located at 123 Capitol Street in Charleston, WV from **3-5PM**.

Quarterly Art Online Competition: Submissions for "My Healing Journey" quarterly online competition are being accepted: More information [here](#)

Kanawha Valley Senior Services presents **14th Annual Black History Celebration** at the Tiskelwah Center Annex at 600 Florida Street, Charleston, WV. **8AM Tuesday Feb. 12, 2008** - Speaker : Ms. Katherine Dooley, Esq and Music by Rev. Jimmy McKnight.



Jodi Lee Larson : We pass our deepest sympathies to the family and friends of Jodi Lee Larson who passed away on May 20. Jodi participated in HTC 2006, showing her "The Show of Hands" project in support of survivors of childhood sexual abuse. For more information, please visit <http://www.theshowofhands.com/>

Sign Petition - Create a Bachelor and Master's Program for Community Behavioral Health at WVSU - see the petition site at <http://www.petitionspot.com/petitions/cbht>

Artist Educators Needed - Educators needed for dance, drama, music, choir, sign language, pupets, writing and art for Artistic Discovery Camps this summer in the Charleston area. Please respond to Joni Prince at joni@4th-wall.org

Front Porch Open Mic at St. Timothy's In The Valley - 7PM on the 4th Friday of each month.

[Click here for more info on these events in Survivor News](#)

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