



## **THE 2<sup>nd</sup> INTERNATIONAL ARTS THERAPIES CONFERENCE**

### **Conference Theme: “Fundamental issues surrounding the Art Therapies”**

The basis of the conference will be to look at the foundations of the field, of arts therapies and how best to accommodate their theory and practice in our different countries. Many questions have arisen as we attempt to establish and develop the field such as; Which theoretical approach to take? Which method to focus on? How and where to specialize? Often we differentiate, worship and criticize the concept of individual schools and training programmes, which have led us to question how can we standardize, accept and validate these differences?

Our challenge for the 2<sup>nd</sup> International Arts Therapies Conference 2013 is to explore very basic but still, much debated and current questions; What is the healing factor of the art therapies? When is it possible to talk about therapy? How do we set the context, make contracts, facilitate the process, work with introspection, interventions, and context and reflect on our practice? Who can practice in the field, and where? What are the borders and boundaries between what is therapy and what is therapeutic? Is Art-, Dance-Movement-, Drama- and Music- therapy psychotherapy? In this conference we want to focus on the roots, craftsmanship and essence of the matter itself. We invite you to share your experiences, knowledge, expert opinions and philosophies with us, or just to join us and listen to the issues raised and how international experts cope with them.

Welcome!

The 2<sup>nd</sup> International Arts Therapies Conference „A Space for Art Therapies II." will be held in Prague from 21<sup>st</sup> June to 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2013, and is a collaboration between the four professional associations - The Czech Art Therapy Association, The Czech Dance and Movement Therapy Association TANTER, The Association of Dramatherapists Czech Republic and The Music Therapy Association of the Czech Republic. This event follows the successful collaboration of our first conference in 2010.

The conference fee 2 400 CZK (100Euro). For more information, please follow [www.arttherapies.cz](http://www.arttherapies.cz) or email : [2013konference@gmail.com](mailto:2013konference@gmail.com).