

# NYSAMT

New York State Association for Music Therapy



## **Mission Statement**

The New York State Association for Music Therapy supports music therapists and music therapy students by providing community, resources, and development opportunities in order to better care for the people of New York.



## **Vision Statement**

To be an inclusive organization for creativity, collaboration, and development for music therapy professionals within New York State.

## Why a Professional Association?

- Many other states have their own associations
- We noticed the support these music therapists experienced
- We felt a need for New York state music therapists to have added support and a strong, growing community
- Correspondence with many music therapists confirmed there was no state-wide association in New York
- MT's in New York state have been working hard in many other areas (state licensure, LCAT, etc)



## The Formation of NYSAMT

June 10	December 9	September 10	September 20
<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2022</b>
Starting a	First meeting to form association	The joining of	Articles of
Facebook group		forces	Incorporation
Lorie Parmalee (current Vice President of NYSAMT) created a group for New York Music Therapists, inviting more to join her	Helmed by Kim Best (current President of NYSAMT)	Lorie and Kim officially joined their two ideas together to formalize the association	New York State issues approval of Articles of Incorporation!



## Where we are

- Articles of Incorporation have been approved! 🙌
- Almost all executive officer positions filled
- Bylaws have been completed
- Social media with Facebook and Instagram
- Committees working on NYSAMT Development
- Website development is underway!
- Bank account has been opened



## Where we're going

- Affordable and accessible membership
- Resources on website
- Directory to find a music therapist by region
- NYS Regional representatives
- Ongoing Communication with NYSTF and MAR
- CMTE opportunities and/or conference
- Networking opportunities for NY Music Therapists (including supervision and mentorship)





## Snapshots of the Website

#### nymusictherapy.org (almost ready for you!)



#### By Music Therapists, For Music Therapists

Our work is focused on music therapy professionals in the state of New York. This association is for you!

Resources

#### Who We Are

We, like you, are music therapists living and working in New York State. Get to know our executive board members!







#### Committees and Our Work

This association is made up of committees that make this organization run! See how we're structured and what we're doing.





### Contact Info

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Join the group on Facebook! https://www.facebook.com/groups/nymusictherapy



## **Email Signup & Interest**



Please use this QR code to fill out our membership form to gain access to meetings, information, and updates!



## Join Us!

We meet once a month to network and discuss topics relevant to our work.

Jump on a committee, take on a small task, or join a meeting so you can stay informed about our work!



