



Certificate of Training

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MALA Annual Conference & Dementia Summit (Virtual):

Connecting Through Creativity

on: September 29, 2020

Presenters: Heather Comstock, Dementia Care Educator, Dementia Friendly Wyoming with the Hub on Smith, and John Wood, Professional Artist, Educator, Person Living with Dementia

Course Description: Creativity is preserved in persons living with dementia long after other abilities are lost. In fact, new and extraordinary creative and artistic abilities are often discovered after a dementia diagnosis. Creating and co-creating art provides rich opportunities for meaningful social engagement, self-expression and relaxation for persons living with dementia and their care partners. This session will demonstrate how art can be used to enhance autonomy, choice, decision-making and sense of accomplishment. A variety of creative expressions will be explored with a special emphasis on "Opening Minds Through Art" (OMA), an award-winning evidence-based program for people with dementia and other neurocognitive disorders. This session is for you whether you consider yourself lacking artistic ability or a creative and talented artist.

- *This course is approved by the Michigan Social Work Continuing Education Collaborative. Course approval #: 040720-00*
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