

American Art Therapy Association Pearlie Roberson Scholarship Award

Grantor: American Art Therapy Association

Closes: 5/1/2012

Maximum: \$0.00

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Pearlie Roberson was an African American artist and art therapy client. Through her art therapy work, she painted and sculpted powerful metaphors that explained how she felt about herself during certain periods of her life, her spiritual belief in Christianity, her kinship connection to her African heritage, and her feelings about the progression of her illness. As acknowledged by her art therapist, “Art-making profoundly affected Pearlie’s final months and days; it provided an avenue to her own strength that helped through dark hours of long nights. It gave her perspective and peace.”

The Pearlie Roberson Scholarship Award is specifically designed to provide financial support for a project, undertaken by a Student or Professional member of the American Art Therapy Association, which targets multicultural aspects and capacities of art therapy. The award is based on the merit of the project proposal, not financial need. May 1, 2012 is the deadline for applying for this award. Please visit the American Art Therapy Association website for detailed application directions and instructions.

Recipients of the award are encouraged to present the winning project at the American Art Therapy Association Annual Conference. In addition, Pearlie Roberson Scholarship Award Projects will be under consideration for placement in the Robert E. Ault Archives.

The Multicultural Committee extends an invitation to Students and Professional members to apply for the Pearlie Roberson Scholarship Award. The award honors Ms. Roberson’s request to “remember me” and supports efforts to “explore, express, connect…to enhance the multicultural aspects of the therapeutic experience

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