

## World Federation of Music Therapy (WFMT)



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The **World Federation of Music Therapy (WFMT)** is dedicated to developing and promoting music therapy throughout the world as an art and science. The Federation supports the global development of educational programs, clinical practice, and research to demonstrate the contributions of music therapy to humanity.

Founded in 1985 in Genoa, Italy, WFMT is an international nonprofit organization with officers, commissioners, regional liaisons, and student delegates in Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bahrain, Brazil, Canada, India, Japan, Singapore, South Africa, Thailand, the UK, and the USA. Federation membership includes music therapy organizations, training programs, professionals, students, and others associated with music therapy.



**Website:** [www.wfmt.info](http://www.wfmt.info)

**Facebook group:** World Federation of Music Therapy

**Twitter:** @WFMTinfo



## WFMT Congress Events

◆ **WFMT Council Meeting (council only)**

July 3 (Mon) 9:30 am - 4:00 pm at Room 101

◆ **WFMT Council Meeting (council only)**

July 4 (Tue) 9:00 am - 12:00 pm at Room 101

◆ **WFMT Spotlight Sessions**

July 5-8 (Wed - Sat) 8:30 am - 10:30 am at Main Convention Hall

◆ **Networking Through the Beat of a Drum**

July 6 (Thu) 10:50 am - 12:20 pm at Room 101

◆ **WFMT General Meeting**

July 6 (Thu) 12:30 pm - 2:00 pm at Room 101

◆ **WFMT new elected Council Meeting (council only)**

July 8 (Sat) 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm at Room 302

## WFMT Student Awards 2017

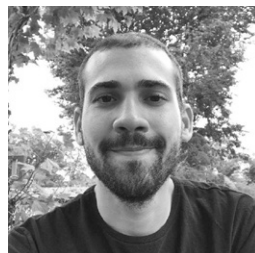
Congratulations to the recipients of the 2017 WFMT World Congress Student Scholarship. This award is offered to undergraduate and graduate students active in music therapy student associations in their countries who demonstrate an interest in global music therapy and the work of the WFMT.



**Bernadette Cajigal**  
Sydney/Australia



**Thomas McGrath**  
Melbourne/Australia



**Lázaro Nascimento**  
Paraná/Brazil



**Jessica Hariwijaya**  
Jakarta/Indonesia



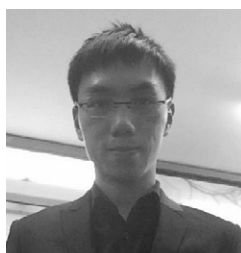
**Marija Pranjić**  
Croatia, studying in Cambridge/UK



**Jonathan Tang**  
Singapore, studying in Indiana/USA



**Stephen Venkatarangam**  
Montreal/Canada



**Hugo Wong**  
Hong Kong, studying in Cambridge/UK



**Natsumi Yamada**  
Indiana/USA



**Cheong Xing Yi**  
Malaysia, studying in Cambridge/UK

## WFMT Awards 2017

The WFMT is proud to introduce the award winners of 2017. The awards will be given at the opening ceremony of the World Congress of Music Therapy 2017.



### **Dr. Felicity Baker**

WFMT Research/Special Projects Award for a significant contribution to the development of the profession through a specific research study or scholarly project.

Melbourne Conservatorium of Music  
Professor, University of Melbourne  
Australia



### **Dr. Joanne Loewy**

WFMT Clinical Impact Award for long-term impact on advancing the knowledge and practice of music therapy within a specific clinical area of population through the publication or presentation of the work.

Director, The Louis Armstrong Center for Music and Medicine  
Mount Sinai Beth Israel  
Associate professor, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai  
Mount Sinai Health System  
USA



### **Ms. Alexia Quin**

WFMT Advocate of Music Therapy for major contributions to the promotion of music therapy in an area of the world where the profession is less established.

Director, Music as Therapy International  
UK



### **Ms. Jen Spivey**

WFMT Service Award for providing significant service to the profession of music therapy through the work related to the World Federation, supporting the growth of WFMT.

WFMT Secretary/Treasurer  
USA

## WFMT Lifetime Achievement Award 2017



### **Dr. Barbara Wheeler**

Professor Emeritus, Montclair State University  
USA

The WFMT Lifetime Achievement Award goes to Dr. Barbara L Wheeler for her extraordinary contribution to the worldwide development of our profession, particularly in the areas of education and research. Barbara's academic career has spanned more than 40 years and she holds the title of Professor Emerita from Montclair State University where she taught from 1975-2000.

Barbara subsequently initiated the music therapy training at the University of Louisville where she taught until retirement in 2011. Current appointments include teaching at the University of Applied Sciences Würzburg-Schweinfurt, Germany and the Karol Szymanowski Academy of Music in Katowice, Poland.

Barbara has long been active in national and international music therapy associations. She is a past president of the American Music Therapy Association, past Chair of the Commission on Education and Training for the WFMT and was recently Interview Co-Editor for 'Voices: A World Forum for Music Therapy'. She has received numerous awards from the AMTA and has been keynote speaker at conferences held on every continent across the world. Barbara contributed to more than 30 items and columns for 'Voices', including a series of interviews for the WFMT symposium on education and training prior to the World Congress in 2012.

Together with associate editor Kathy Murphy, Barbara has just completed editing Music Therapy Research, 3rd Edition (2016). Her complete publication history is phenomenal.

## WFMT Council Members 2014-2017



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