



Dear SoCalATA Professional Member,

Not feeling as connected to the art therapy community? Serving on the SoCalATA Board of Directors can give you purpose and connection. There is flexibility in how you might serve based on your vision and your community needs.

The Call for Nominations for SoCalATA's 2023 election is open now through **November 1st, 2023**. Please consider nominating a SoCalATA member peer, colleague or yourself for the open position of **President, President-Elect**, or **Chapter Delegate**. SoCalATA relies on volunteers, like yourself, to bring their creative vision to the future.

Our professional organization and the Board relies on your recommendations for dedicated candidates. Only SoCalATA Members (student and professional) may submit nominations.

Here are brief descriptions of the duties of the open positions:

President:

The president serves a two-year term and works closely with the Board and community to further the chapter's vision, mission, and overall direction. The president presides over meetings of the Board and at the Annual General Meeting. and supervises the business of the chapter and general activities (in accordance with the governing documents).

President Elect:

This year, the President-Elect serves a two-year term before succeeding the President in office. The general duties of the President-Elect are to oversee the work of Ad Hoc Committees; study presidential duties and responsibilities; and oversee the implementation of the Chapter's Policies and Procedures. The President-Elect is also expected to perform the duties of the President in the President's absence or inability to serve.

Chapter Delegate:

Represent SoCalATA at the annual meeting of Affiliate Chapters held during the AATA Annual Conference. Report actions and reports from the Affiliate Chapter meeting to SoCalATA members via report in the next issue of the SoCalATA Newsletter..

Nominations may be sent using the link below. Please reach out to info@socalarttherapy.org for assistance or questions.

[NOMINATION FORM](#)

Self-nominations are welcome, as are nominations of Professional Member colleagues you would like to see fill these positions. If you are nominating a fellow member, please make an effort to confirm with them that they are willing to run before returning the nomination form.

The deadline for nominations is **November 1st**. We look forward to receiving your nomination of a colleague or yourself to join SoCalATA's dynamic Board of Directors!

Thank you,

SoCalATA Nominating Committee

Other leadership opportunities that do not include a election process:

Multicultural Committee: The Multicultural Committee provides valuable input to the Board of Directors on issues of diversity; develops continuing education experiences to enhance members' cultural competencies; and engages in fund raising activities to support the award of scholarships and grants.

Program Committee: The Program Committee plans several SoCalATA sponsored networking and educational events annually and is responsible for securing a presenter(s) and location, publicity, and the registration process. The Committee strives to locate events in all geographic areas of the Association. The Committee reviews the content of educational programs and oversees the awarding of Continuing Education Units (CEU's) where appropriate.

Newsletter Committee: We need help pulling together content into one concise and helpful newsletter for our membership. Editing and asking for review from the board are part of this committee.

Public Relations Committee: The Public Relations Committee is responsible for the dissemination of Board of Directors approved information about SoCalATA; marketing and publicizing professional training programs for CEU's, meetings, and the profession of art therapy to: consumers, institutes and agencies, SoCalATA members, nonmember professionals and students. The Committee develops marketing tools and presentations about SoCalATA and the professions of art therapy for review and consideration by the Board of Directors.

Honors Committee: The Honors Committee identifies outstanding members of the Association for recognition in the category of Honorary Life Member and other honors and awards as deemed appropriate by the Board of Directors.

Fundraising Committee: The Fundraising Committee develops avenues for soliciting donations, grants and corporate sponsorship to fund SoCalATA programs, projects and research. In collaboration with the Program Committee plans fundraising events.

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