

## Call for conference presentations

### Art therapy and the climate crisis: building emotional resilience

This year's annual conference will explore the climate crisis as a global health and mental health crisis, inviting members to come together to think about the planet's biggest existential threat, the effect it has on them, their work and how art and art therapy can help meet this challenge.

We are looking for submissions from our members that explore how art therapy can help individuals, groups or communities can build emotional resilience to enable them to think about and respond to the climate crisis.

We would like to invite members to consider sending in proposals for one of the following:

- a 45-minute 'live' plenary presentation,
- a 10-minute pre-recorded presentation,

The deadline for submissions is **Friday 23 June**.

**Please note:** this is not a formal call for academic papers, but a call for our members to submit examples of innovative thinking and practice that they feel brings to life the themes of the conference.

## Submission criteria

Submissions are open to our all our members.

All proposals must:

- have a direct relationship with the conference themes
- and adhere to the current protocols concerning ethical issues, such as written consent to publish.



We particularly welcome presentation submissions developed from client and therapist collaborations, or those which show clear evidence that service-user feedback has shaped and been incorporated into the presentation.

You can submit proposals as an individual or as a small group.

## Proposal types

### Plenary presentations

Plenary presentations should explore how art therapy can help individuals, groups or communities to build emotional resilience to enable them to think about and respond to the climate crisis.

It will be live, online and should last no more than **50 minutes**.

### Pre-recorded presentation

Pre-recorded presentations should showcase a project or service that demonstrates art therapy helping individuals, groups or communities build emotional resilience to enable them to think about and respond to the climate crisis.

It will be pre-recorded and should last no more than **10 minutes**.

The successful pre-recorded presentations would be played on the day of the annual conference, with all presenters requested to be available to respond to questions and feedback 'live' on the day.



## Selection process

The proposals will be assessed by a panel that is made up of members of BAAT Council and International Journal of Art Therapy Advisors with experience of working in this area. All proposals will all be considered, with a selection chosen that most compliment and expand the themes set out for the day.

The panel may need to contact you for further information about your proposal.

Decisions of the panel will be final, and entries are submitted on the basis that this is understood.

We aim to tell you if you have been successful or not by **Friday 28 July**.

## How to submit your proposal

Please submit your proposal through our [online form](#).

Please do not send a recorded or full presentation at this stage – only those shortlisted will be asked to do this.

By submitting this form, you agree that you have understood the process, timeline and, if selected by the panel, commit to providing your recorded presentation or presentation slides by **Monday 2 October**.

If you have any problems or questions, please contact [hello@baat.org](mailto:hello@baat.org)