Online Submissions and Peer-review for AMTA Journal Articles Available Now

SILVER SPRING, MD – August 30, 2012 – The American Music Therapy Association (AMTA) and the Editors of AMTA's peer-reviewed journals, the *Journal of Music Therapy* (JMT) and *Music Therapy Perspectives* (MTP), are pleased to announce a publication enhancement with the launch of PeerTrack[™]. The customized software supports online article submission and peer review.

Journal Editors, Drs. Sheri Robb of Indiana University and Anthony Meadows of Immaculata University, along with their Editorial Boards, welcome the use of online article submission and review software. The software automates many steps in the peer review process and brings tremendous efficiencies to the journals. This enhancement operates in partnership with AMTA's publishing partner, Allen Press. PeerTrack[™] is powered by Aries Editorial Manager® technology.

Background

The *Journal of Music Therapy* (JMT) is a forum for authoritative articles of current music therapy research and theory, including book reviews and guest editorials. JMT seeks to advance research, theory, and practice in music therapy through the dissemination of scholarly work. Its mission is to promote scholarly activity in music therapy and to foster the development and understanding of music therapy and music-based interventions.

Music Therapy Perspectives seeks to promote the development of music therapy clinical practice through the dissemination of scholarly work. With a focus on clinical benefits of music therapy, *Music Therapy Perspectives* strives to serve as a resource and forum for music therapists, music therapy students and educators, and those in related professions.

About the American Music Therapy Association

Headquartered in Silver Spring, MD, the American Music Therapy Association (AMTA) is a nonprofit educational organization advocating for music therapy. AMTA's purpose is the progressive development of the therapeutic use of music in rehabilitation, special education, and community settings. The mission of the American Music Therapy Association is to advance public awareness of the benefits of music therapy and increase access to quality music therapy services in a rapidly changing world.