



## Call for Papers

### SPECIAL ISSUE ON "HEALTH PROMOTION AND WELLNESS"

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*Music and Arts in Action (MAiA)*, a peer reviewed, multi-disciplinary journal, invites submissions on the topic of music and the arts in health promotion and wellness. The role of the arts has been explored in therapeutic contexts, ranging from music in hospitals, dance and movement activities, community musicking, and art or music therapy. Arts-based interventions in these contexts are often led by non-profit groups or organisations, and increasingly, community-based work initiated locally.

While such actions have made important and lasting contributions to the arts as health-promoters, there remain many questions surrounding what 'goes on' in the therapeutic process, and precisely how actors' engagement with artistic forms leads to social and physical wellbeing. What does artistic activity mean for the individuals and groups in the health-promotion process? Why are certain artistic forms or genres chosen for health intervention, and by whom? We are therefore interested in papers with strong empirical data that can provide new practical, theoretical or philosophical insights into problems and opportunities with regards to emerging practices around the arts and health. Microethnographic and case-based contributions are particularly welcome, from researchers as well as practitioners.

Papers should be 5,000 to 8,000 words in length, excluding references and supplementary materials (including visual images, audio and video). Submission details can be found at [http://musicandartsinaction.net/info/authors\\_howto.pdf](http://musicandartsinaction.net/info/authors_howto.pdf)

**Deadline for papers is 1st July 2010.**

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