

Registration Form
6th Annual ARAPT Conference
March 2nd and 3rd, 2012

Name _____ Credentials _____

Agency _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone: Work _____ Alternate # _____ Email _____

Fees:

APT Member \$175-two days \$100-one day

Non-Member \$275-two days \$195-one day

Student Member \$75-two days \$55-one day

Student Non-member \$125-two days \$105-one day

\$ _____

Late Registration: After 12am February 19th please add \$25.00

\$ _____

Friday Lunch Option: \$10.00 Delivered Box Lunch

\$ _____

*Drinks will be available for purchase for 50 cents onsite

Ham

Turkey

Veggie

\$ _____

TOTAL \$ _____

Please mark your choice of payment: Check _____ Credit Card _____

Method of Payment: Make checks payable to Arkansas Association for Play Therapy

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 PO Box 10413
 Fayetteville, AR 72703

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The 6th Annual Conference
Arkansas Association for Play Therapy
Join us at the Arkansas State Conference focusing on Play Therapy

Why should you attend? Play therapy is a rapidly growing field of specialized psychotherapy techniques and interventions for use with children and adults in a variety of settings. This conference will offer participants the opportunity to hear a renowned speaker. On Friday, March 2nd Dr. Richard Gaskill, an internationally recognized presenter and leader in the field of play therapy will present a one day workshop entitled **The Neurobiology of Play Therapy**. On Saturday, attendees will have the opportunity to hear Mariellen Griffith who will present **Understanding Symbols in a Jungian Child Centered Sandplay and Play Therapy** and Rachel Harrod, Mindi Littleton, and Joannie Hance will present **Fun and Effective Family Play Therapy Techniques**.

Who should attend? Social Workers, Counselors, Psychologists, Family Therapists, Psychiatrists, School Counselors, Child Life Specialists, Nurses, Educators and Graduate Students.

Continuing Education Certificates 12 continuing education contact hours will be available for play therapists, licensed social workers and licensed counselors. The Arkansas Association for Play Therapy is an approved provider by the Association for Play Therapy and by the National Board for Certified Counselors to offer continuing education specific to play therapy.

Details and fees: Discounts for full-time students, ARAPT and APT members. Full-time students must supply a letter from their department heads certifying their student status. ARAPT and APT members will be listed as current members.

Friday Lunch Options: Friday Lunch option will be offered for \$10 additional fee as seen on the registration. The sandwich box lunch from Einstein Bros. Bagels will be delivered to the site. This does not include a drink which can be purchased on-site for 50 cents. Choices include a Turkey, Ham and Veggie box lunch, please mark your registration form accordingly.

Registration: Make checks payable to the Arkansas Association for Play Therapy
Mail to: PO Box 10413, Fayetteville AR, 72703 or pay on-line by going through the link provided on our website www.arplaytherapy.org The registration form will need to be completed and sent by mail or email to the above given address or ara4pt@sbcglobal.net . Early Registration runs through 12 am February 19th. After this time a \$25.00 added fee applies.

For information: Please contact Leigh Wade at ara4pt@sbcglobal.net or at 479 790-3962 or Amber Boyd at amber.rene@yahoo.com.

Cancellation policy: A refund of the registration fee will be made if requested prior to March 2nd, 2012. No refunds will be issued after March 2nd, 2012. An administrative charge of \$40.00 will be retained on all refunds. ARAPT reserves the right to cancel this conference in the event of unforeseen circumstances, and an attempt will be made to notify registrants at least 10 calendar days before the start of the conference, with the full registration fee returned. In all instances, ARAPT's liability is limited to refund of registration fees only.

Accommodations: Reserve your lodging at the comfortable and cozy cottages at **Mount Sequoyah** or other great locations in Fayetteville. Mount Sequoyah offers private rooms in cottages starting at \$75 plus tax. To find out more information contact them at (479) 443-4531 or (800) 760-8126, www.mountsequoyah.org . Other hotels include the following but are not within walking distance: **Clarion Inn**, 1255 S. Shiloh Drive Fayetteville, AR 72762 (479) 521-1166, www.fayettevilleclarion.com, **Best Western**, 1122 South Futrall Drive, Fayetteville, AR 72701 (479) 301-2882, and **Dickson Street Inn**, 301 W. Dickson St. Fayetteville, AR 72701 (479)695-2100 www.dicksonstreetinn.com

Workshop Accommodations: Please feel free to inform ARAPT of any accommodations that need to be made in accordance to the American Disabilities Act at least 30 days prior to the conference.

Branch business meeting: During the Friday lunch break, a branch business meeting will be conducted. If you are a member of ARAPT we highly encourage you to attend. This is an opportunity to become involved and informed about what your state branch is doing.

Directions to the site from various areas and workshop descriptions are listed in the pages below.

See you soon!

**The 6th Annual Conference
Arkansas Association for Play Therapy**

Directions

From Little Rock:

Total distance: 190.1 mi

Total Time: 2 hrs 48 min

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| 1 | Depart W Markham St toward S Spring St | 0.2 mi | 45 secs |
| 2 | Road name changes to E Markham St | 0.1 mi | 29 secs |
| 3 | Turn right onto AR-10 / Cumberland St | 0.0 mi | 21 secs |
| 4 | Take ramp left for US-167 North / I-30 East / US-65 North toward North Little Rock | 2.4 mi | 2 min |
| 5 | At exit 143A, take ramp left for US-65 North / I-40 West toward Fort Smith | 140.9 mi | 1 hrs 58 min |
| 6 | At exit 12, take ramp right for I-540 North toward Fayetteville | 42.2 mi | 35 min |
| 7 | At exit 62, take ramp right toward Farmington / Univ. of Ark. <i>Best Western on the corner</i> | 0.2 mi | 33 secs |
| 8 | Turn left onto S Futrall Dr <i>Red Roof Inn on the corner</i> | 0.0 mi | 22 secs |
| 9 | Turn right onto AR-16 / AR-45 / AR-180 / W Martin Luther King Blvd | 0.8 mi | 1 min |
| 10 | Keep straight onto AR-45 / AR-180 / W Martin Luther King Blvd | 0.9 mi | 1 min |
| 11 | Turn left onto US-71 / AR-45 / AR-180 / S School Ave | 1.1 mi | 2 min |
| 12 | Turn right onto AR-45 / AR-180 / E Lafayette St <i>Valero on the corner</i> | 0.4 mi | 1 min |
| 13 | Keep straight onto E Lafayette St | 0.0 mi | 13 secs |
| 14 | Turn right onto E Dogwood Ln | 0.3 mi | 55 secs |
| 15 | Turn right onto AR-180 / N Assembly Dr | 0.1 mi | 30 secs |
| 16 | Turn right to stay on AR-180 / N Skyline Dr | 0.1 mi | 21 secs |
| 17 | Arrive at AR-180 / N Skyline Dr <i>The last intersection is Assembly Rd / Wesley Rd</i> | 0.0 mi | 0 secs |

Directions

From Tulsa Oklahoma:

Total distance: 116.2 mi

Total Time: 1 hrs 56 min

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| 1 | Depart S Denver Ave toward W 6TH St S | 0.1 mi | 30 secs |
| 2 | Turn left onto W 8TH St S | 0.2 mi | 57 secs |
| 3 | Road name changes to E 8TH St S | 0.4 mi | 1 min |
| 4 | Take ramp left for US-75 North toward Joplin / Bartlesville | 0.5 mi | 42 secs |
| 5 | Take ramp right for US-412 East / I-244 East toward Joplin | 9.4 mi | 8 min |
| 6 | Keep straight onto I-44 East / US-412 East / OK-66 East / Historic Route 66 | 4.3 mi | 3 min |
| 7 | Keep straight onto US-412 East / Dan P Holmes Expy | 59.7 mi | 51 min |
| 8 | Keep straight onto US-59 East / US-412 South / Cherokee Hills Byway / US Highway 412 <i>Pass Phillips 66 on the left in 0.2 mi</i> | 8.5 mi | 8 min |
| 9 | Keep straight onto US-412 / Cherokee Hills Byway / Highway 412 <i>Pass Murphy USA in 3.4 mi</i> | 22.1 mi | 23 min |
| 10 | Take ramp right for I-540 South toward Fayetteville | 4.3 mi | 3 min |
| 11 | At exit 67, take ramp right for US-71-Br toward Fayetteville Business Dist. | 1.8 mi | 2 min |
| 12 | Take ramp right and follow signs for US-71-BR South <i>Pass ALDI on the right in 1.1 mi</i> | 3.8 mi | 7 min |
| 13 | Turn left onto AR-45 / AR-180 / E Lafayette St <i>Valero on the corner</i> | 0.4 mi | 1 min |
| 14 | Keep straight onto E Lafayette St | 0.0 mi | 13 secs |
| 15 | Turn right onto E Dogwood Ln | 0.3 mi | 55 secs |
| 16 | Turn right onto AR-180 / N Assembly Dr | 0.1 mi | 30 secs |
| 17 | Turn right to stay on AR-180 / N Skyline Dr | 0.1 mi | 21 secs |
| 18 | Arrive at AR-180 / N Skyline Dr <i>The last intersection is Assembly Rd / Wesley Rd</i> | 0.0 mi | 0 secs |

Directions

From Springfield Missouri

Total distance: 151.9 mi

Total Time: 2 hrs 26 min

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| 1 | Depart Park Central E toward Park Central Sq | 0.0 mi | 5 secs |
| 2 | At roundabout, take 2nd exit onto Park Central W | 0.2 mi | 1 min |
| 3 | Turn right onto N Campbell Ave | 0.5 mi | 1 min |
| 4 | Turn left onto I-44 West / W Chestnut Expy | 1.0 mi | 1 min |
| 5 | Turn right onto MO-13 North / N Kansas Expy <i>Pass IHOP on the left in 2.2 mi</i> | 2.5 mi | 5 min |
| 6 | Take ramp left for I-44 West toward Joplin | 65.4 mi | 55 min |
| 7 | At exit 11A-B, take ramp right for US-71 South toward Neosho / Fort Smith Ar | 57.3 mi | 51 min |
| 8 | Keep straight onto I-540 South / US-62 West / US-71 South | 18.4 mi | 15 min |
| 9 | At exit 67, take ramp right for US-71-Br toward Fayetteville Business Dist. | 1.8 mi | 2 min |
| 10 | Take ramp right and follow signs for US-71-BR South <i>Pass ALDI on the right in 1.1 mi</i> | 3.8 mi | 7 min |
| 11 | Turn left onto AR-45 / AR-180 / E Lafayette St <i>Valero on the corner</i> | 0.4 mi | 1 min |
| 12 | Keep straight onto E Lafayette St | 0.0 mi | 13 secs |
| 13 | Turn right onto E Dogwood Ln | 0.3 mi | 55 secs |
| 14 | Turn right onto AR-180 / N Assembly Dr | 0.1 mi | 30 secs |
| 15 | Turn right to stay on AR-180 / N Skyline Dr | 0.1 mi | 21 secs |
| 16 | Arrive at AR-180 / N Skyline Dr <i>The last intersection is Assembly Rd / Wesley Rd</i> | 0.0 mi | 0 secs |

Directions

From Kansas City, Missouri

Total distance: 237.5 mi

Total Time: 3 hrs 38 min

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| 1 | Depart Main St toward W 9TH St | 0.2 mi | 48 secs |
| 2 | Bear left onto W 7TH St, and then immediately turn right onto Baltimore Ave | 0.0 mi | 21 secs |
| 3 | Turn right onto W 6TH St | 0.0 mi | 16 secs |
| 4 | Take ramp left and follow signs for I-35 North / US-24 East | 0.5 mi | 39 secs |
| 5 | Bear right onto I-70 East / US-40 East / George Brett Super Hwy | 0.5 mi | 33 secs |
| 6 | Bear right onto US-71 South | 141.8 mi | 2 hrs 4 min |
| 7 | Take ramp right for MO-171 North / MO-571 South / MO-96 / US-71-BR toward Webb City | 0.2 mi | 14 secs |
| 8 | Turn right onto US-71 South / MO-96 West / MO-171 North | 6.6 mi | 6 min |
| 9 | Take ramp left for MO-249 South toward Joplin | 6.2 mi | 5 min |
| 10 | Road name changes to US-71 South | 56.2 mi | 50 min |
| 11 | Keep straight onto I-540 South / US-62 West / US-71 South | 18.4 mi | 15 min |
| 12 | At exit 67, take ramp right for US-71-Br toward Fayetteville Business Dist. | 1.8 mi | 2 min |
| 13 | Take ramp right and follow signs for US-71-BR South <i>Pass ALDI on the right in 1.1 mi</i> | 3.8 mi | 7 min |
| 14 | Turn left onto AR-45 / AR-180 / E Lafayette St <i>Valero on the corner</i> | 0.4 mi | 1 min |
| 15 | Keep straight onto E Lafayette St | 0.0 mi | 13 secs |
| 16 | Turn right onto E Dogwood Ln | 0.3 mi | 55 secs |
| 17 | Turn right onto AR-180 / N Assembly Dr | 0.1 mi | 30 secs |
| 18 | Turn right to stay on AR-180 / N Skyline Dr | 0.1 mi | 21 secs |
| 19 | Arrive at AR-180 / N Skyline Dr <i>The last intersection is Assembly Rd / Wesley Rd</i> | 0.0 mi | 0 secs |

Workshop Descriptions

Friday: 8:30-4:30pm

The Neurobiology of Play Therapy; Dr. Richard Gaskill

“Neurological science offers play therapists a body of knowledge capable of great improvements in our services to children. Through developmentally sensitive and biologically informed assessment and treatment planning, play and play therapy interventions can be designed that address core trauma symptoms”

Learning Objectives:

1. Assess trauma in neurodevelopmental fashion, identifying neurodysfunction at various levels of the brain.
2. Organize play and play therapy strategies according to the level of brain dysfunction.
3. Design play therapy strategies which impact different levels of the brain function and organization.

Presenter Biography:

Dr. Richard Gaskill has worked in community mental health for over 35 years. He is currently the Clinical Director of Sumner Mental Health Center in Wellington, KS. He is a licensed Clinical Psychotherapist and Mental Health Counselor, Registered Play Therapist-Supervisor, and an Infant Mental Health Clinical Mentor in the state of Kansas.

He is past president of KSAPT and one of the founding members of that branch. He is currently on the Board of Directors for Association for Play Therapy.

Dr. Richard Gaskill has been a lecturer at Wichita State University, teaching play therapy and supervising play therapy practica for over 12 years, an APT approved Play Therapy Center since 2010.

He was named Fellow of the Child Trauma Academy in Houston, Texas, in 2004. He received the Chairman’s Award from Future’s Unlimited in 1997 for his work with at risk children in 2005; Dr. Gaskill was named the Head Start Partner of the Year in Kansas for his work with therapeutic preschools. In 2006, he was named one of the Region VI of the Department of Health and Human Services.

Saturday Sessions

830-1145 am

Understanding Symbols in a Jungian Child Centered Sandplay and Play Therapy; Dr. Mariellen Griffith

“Children live in a symbolic world; they communicate non verbally through play. They are able to work through anxieties, trauma, and emotions that may have occurred through divorce, abuse, loss or normal developmental crisis. Most children do not have words to describe their feelings or thoughts. At times it is very difficult to understand the meaning in play when toys or sandplay miniatures are used by the child. In both sandplay and play therapy, the symbolic nature of sandplay miniatures can be used to explore the conscious and unconscious mind of the child. Selected miniatures and toys represent symbols that provide clues to challenges that children face in their lives and also provide indicators of their progress to recovery. A slide presentation will focus on understanding symbols, from a Jungian perspective, expressed in miniatures and toys followed by a case study of a child who used symbols that related to healing and transformation in process of self-discovery.”

Learning Objectives:

1. Gain a perspective on symbols and how to interpret the meanings of sandplay miniatures and play therapy toys used in child centered play therapy.
2. Develop an appreciation for Jungian theory in understanding symbols in sandplay and play therapy.
3. Gain an understanding of symbols used during the first stages of play therapy throughout the developmental process of client centered play therapy.

Presenter Biography:

Mariellen Griffith, Ed.D. RPT-S is a psychotherapist in private practice in [Holiday Island](#). She has been a play therapist since 1988. She is a Certified Sandplay Therapist-Teacher & Supervisor since 1997. She was a university professor for 24 years at [Butler University](#) in [Indianapolis, Indiana](#). Her specialization is in Jungian Sandplay and Play Therapy. She has written several books and articles on play therapy and sandplay therapy. She has made numerous presentations in the United States and in the [British Isles](#), [Europe](#) and [Thailand](#).

1:15-430pm

Fun and Effective Family Play Therapy Techniques; Rachel Harrod, LPC, Joannie Hance, LAC, Mindi Littleton, LCSW

“This will be an interactive, hands on learning experience that focuses on effective play therapy techniques to use when working with families”

Learning Objectives:

1. We will review basic family therapy models and the theoretical basis behind them.
2. We will learn at least 5 effective family play therapy techniques
3. We will review multiple approaches to family play therapy through videos and vignettes and learn what techniques are most effective with specific family dynamics.

Presenter Biography:

Rachel Harrod, LPC

I am originally from [Texas](#) but have learned to be a Hogs fan. I graduated from [Ouachita Baptist University](#) with BS in Biology and Psychology. I went on to obtain a Master's in Community counseling from [Henderson State University](#). I have worked with [Ozark Guidance Early Childhood Center](#) for the past 7 years. I have worked in community based settings as well as the Therapeutic Day Treatment Program. I currently work with an Early Intervention and Prevention Project called Project PLAY. My passion is in working with foster children because I am a foster and adoptive mother. My husband and I are the proud forever family of three children ranging in age from 4-14.

Mindi Littleton, LCSW

Mindi Littleton received her MSW at University of Arkansas. She obtained her LCSW in 2011. Mindi has worked at Ozark Guidance in Springdale Arkansas in various positions inclusive of outpatient as child and family therapist, in a community based grant project focused on increased education and training in preschools in this area, and most recently as an intensive therapeutic day treatment therapist serving the preschool population. She remains enthusiastic in her leadership roles within the team of Ozark Guidance Early Childhood Center.