

## **Lacey Ford**

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Objective: To obtain part-time employment

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### **QUALIFICATIONS AND SKILLS**

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- Training in individual and group art therapy
- Experience working with a range of populations in a variety of settings
- Over two years of working with older adults in long term care settings
- Knowledge and experience in qualitative research methods

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### **EDUCATION**

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Sept 2012-Present

#### **DIPLoma IN ART THERAPY**

*Toronto Art Therapy Institute, Toronto, ON*

- 16 month accelerated program; I have finished my course work, now I am working on my major research project
- I've obtained approx. 650 hours in practicum training as an art therapist in both group and individual work

2007-2012

#### **BACHELOR OF ART (HONOURS)**

*University of Prince Edward Island, Charlottetown, PEI*

- Majored in Psychology and minored in Political Science
- Completed an Honours research project in Psychology, about emotional abuse in the context of intimate partner violence, using a qualitative research approach
- Graduated with Honours; Dean's List 2010

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### **WORK & PRACTICUM EXPERIENCE**

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Feb 2013-Present

#### **ART THERAPY STUDENT**

*Cedarvale Terrace: Long-term care home, Toronto, ON*

- Provide individual art therapy sessions for nine

residents (five of the residents have dementia), once a week for approximately 1 hour

- Beginning July 9<sup>th</sup> will be co-facilitating a group for older adult residents

Sept 2013-Mar 2014 *Youthdale Treatment Centre, Toronto, ON*

- Co-leading an art therapy group for on average 8-10 youth, in a residential treatment centre, for 1 hour once a week

April-July 2013 *Gilda's Club, Toronto, ON*

- Co-lead an open art therapy group for people whose lives have been touched by cancer, using clay and mindfulness practices, for 2 hours once a week

April-July 2013 *Lawrence Park Collegiate Institute, Toronto, ON*

- Co-lead an open art therapy group for about 6-10 female adolescents, in grade seven and nine, for 1 hour once a week

2010 (Summer)

**YOUTH SERVICES WORKER**

*Service Canada, Bridgewater, NS*

- Assisted youth between the ages of 15-30 with creating resumes, cover letters and to find summer employment
- Prepared and performed presentations on job searching to students in local high schools
- Established partnerships with other community organizations to bridge employment services

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**VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE**

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2011- 2012

**SOCIAL THERAPY VOLUNTEER**

*Hillsborough Hospital, Charlottetown, PEI*

- Assisted in the facilitation of a social reminiscence group, held for a small group of elderly residents who experienced dementia

2011 (Spring)

**PET THERAPY VOLUNTEER**

*Hillsborough Hospital, Charlottetown, PEI*

- Facilitated one-to-one pet therapy sessions with the residents of an inpatient mental health treatment facility

2009 - 2012

**IN SCHOOL MENTOR**

*Big Brothers Big Sisters of Prince Edward Island, Charlottetown, PE*

- Met with a young youth ('little sister') for one hour, once a week, at the elementary school she attended and provided one-to-one attention to help foster self-esteem and confidence

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CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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June 14-16, 2012

**THE SOCIALLY CONSTRUCTED IDENTITY OF EMOTIONAL ABUSE**

*Canadian Psychological Associations 73rd Annual Convention, Halifax, NS*

- Presented my Honours research to other researchers and professionals working in the field of psychology

November 17, 2011

**EMOTIONAL ABUSE: AN IMPORTANT TOPIC IN NEED OF GREATER ATTENTION**

*Prince Edward Island's Provincial Forum on Abuse of Older Adults Awareness*

- Presented my Honours research to an audience of about 30 people, who were community members, NGO workers and other researchers

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COMPUTER EXPERIENCE

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- Microsoft Word, Microsoft Excel, Power Point, Internet & E-mail
- NVivo 9