



Contact: Amanda Bennett, Communications and Marketing Specialist

Phone: (508) 688-1714

Email: Media@veteransinc.org

For Immediate Release:

September 12, 2024

Veterans Inc. Hosts 3rd Annual Recovery Summit

Art, Aria, & Architecture: The Recovery Oasis

A day to learn more about the latest challenges and advances in the field of recovery

WHO: Veterans Inc. is a leading provider of support services to Veterans and their families.

WHAT: Veterans Inc. will host its 3rd Annual Recovery Summit with this year's theme of Art, Aria, & Architecture: The Recovery Oasis. This year's theme highlights the intersection of creativity, culture, and community in the journey towards healing. Guests will be able to hear from experts, engage in meaningful discussions, and experience performances and exhibits that celebrate the transformative power of art, music, and design. Join us for a day dedicated to exploring the latest challenges and advances in recovery. This event will involve artistic activities and music and will highlight the healing effects of properly designed spaces and buildings. Discover how these elements contribute to effective recovery and enhance well-being. A luncheon and networking opportunity will immediately follow the speaking and performance portion of the Summit. This event is invite-only, and seating is limited.

PRESENTERS & PERFORMERS:

- Crocodile River Music- *Bringing the music, art, and cultures of Africa to New England and beyond*
- Cara Brindisi, Mt – BC. Music Therapist, Songwriter & Performer; *Music Therapy and Healing*
- Erik Holmgren, Massachusetts Cultural Council; *Art Pharmacy: Art as Prescription*
- James Welu, MFA, PhD. Director Emeritus of the Worcester Art Museum; *Art Therapy in the Making: From WWI to WWII*
- Kati Peditto, PhD. Perkins and Will- *Architecture and Therapeutic Spaces; Nurturing Neurodiversity through the Power of Psychology and Design*
- Jeff Busby, CSS Clinical Manager, Independence Hall, Veterans Inc.; *Art and Therapy to Enhance Recovery*

LUNCH & ENTERTAINMENT: Struck Catering & Ben Picard Music

WHEN: Thursday, September 19, 2024, from 9:30 am to 1:00 pm

9:30 am Drum Circle/Welcome/Registration & Refreshments

10:00 am Opening Remarks

10:15 am Speaking & Presentation Series

12:00 pm Luncheon and Networking Reception

WHERE: Veterans Inc. Independence Hall, 59 South St., Shrewsbury, MA

****News media members are welcome to attend and photograph this event****

About Veterans Inc.

Veterans Inc. is the leading 501(c)(3) non-profit service provider for veterans and their families in need. Since 1990, we have served over 100,000 veterans and their families, offering a wide range of services, including housing, homelessness prevention, employment and training, benefit counseling and advocacy, food services, women and children's services, suicide prevention, and substance use treatment. If you or someone you know is a veteran in need, please call us at 1-800-482-2565 or visit our website at veteransinc.org.