



Dr Margaret Lowenfeld Trust & The Virtual Sandtray©®

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Greetings!

Chris and I have a few announcements to share with you all.

Here is some new and exciting information and offerings regarding the Virtual Sandtray:

We have just received some phenomenal news!

This is directly from The Lowenfeld Trust in the United Kingdom. We are honored and humbled to be partnering with and recognized by such an amazing organization.

"Virtual Sandtray®© is a recognized partner of the Dr Margaret Lowenfeld Trust, which aims to promote and facilitate the innovative work of this important pioneer of child psychotherapy. Virtual Sandtray is taking forward Lowenfeld's important discovery of Sand play or The World Technique as she called it, in a virtual and accessible format, which has been especially important since the restrictions of Covid 19.

The Dr Lowenfeld Trust also aims to ensure that Key Lowenfeld publications remain in print and that her academic heritage remains available – see www.lowenfeld.org/books-publications for more details.

Sand tray remains a vital part of current therapeutic work with children, however the precautions and the restrictions of Covid 19 have drawn attention to the importance of the innovation and creativity embedded in the Virtual Sandtray as a way to continue this work both in a clinical setting and in remote work with children. The Dr Margaret Lowenfeld Trust is delighted to be working with the app's creators to help bring sand play into the 21st Century.

The Dr Margaret Lowenfeld Trust"

- Information about The Lowenfeld Trust will be available directly in the VSA and on the www.sandtrayplay.com website. Please go to their website www.lowenfeld.org for more information about how they are keeping the work and legacy of Dr. Lowenfeld in the forefront!
- You will notice The Dr. Margaret Lowenfeld Trust logo (above) in the opening of the VSA after your next update and links to their site. They will also post VSA information on theirs once I get that fully prepared.
- We are aware of an intermittent issue with autosave and the fix is in the next update.
- Chris is actively programming an additional remote reconnect feature. If the client loses internet connection, this will provide a way for the therapist to allow them back into the remote room without having to start over. It is very complicated programming and he has been working all day and into the wee hours to provide this. We can't control the internet but we are committed to providing the best clinical experience possible.
- A few new 3D models will be joining the collection: a kayak, a heart, a broken heart, handcuffs, and more!
- Collections being created:
 - An adult-themed package
 - EMDR by Dr. Jenn Lefebvre
 - Trauma by Paris Goodyear Brown!
- The creation of the adult-themed package necessitates a way to designate age ranges for material access. This is also in the works and coming soon. You will still have the "exclude models" option in your administrative menu.
- Jessica was accepted into a Women's Business Accelerator program, limited to only 10 companies! We are preparing to take the VSA to entirely new levels. Stay tuned...
- The Facebook pages for VSA are going strong!
 - The Virtual Sandtray App page is a great place to get updates, training information, and more. We are now over 2,000 followers strong!
 - The World of Virtual Sandtray App – Official Group was started by a VSA user Fiona Hill, LPC and offers a private space to share ideas, screenshots, ask questions, and even has a once-per-month casual, free meet up to learn and play with the VSA! It is called "Sippin' VSA", join us! (space is limited)

Each of you is part of this and we are very thankful.

As always, feel free to reach out to us at any time. We are happy to help!
 Jessica and Chris