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The American Music Therapy Association partnered with Dr. Petra Kern and a team, which included Marcia Humpal, Lisa Jacobs, Rose Fienman, and Gretchen Chardos, to pilot three annual issues (2010, 2011, and 2012) of the innovative and creative early childhood online music therapy magazine known as "imagine." imagine became the home for nearly 200 contributions of which 31 were from other countries, including 42 audio clips and 38 video clips. Web traffic peaked at nearly 5500 as of July of this year and 146 external groups linked to imagine. As an online magazine, imagine, greatly expanded AMTA's early childhood network's newsletter and provided timely and much-needed information and resources to music therapists, early childhood educators, music educators and others around the world. All of the costs related to personnel, software and hardware needed to produce imagine were donated by Dr. Kern and her team. AMTA is greatly indebted to Dr. Kern and those involved in launching this brilliant and unique resource. Because of the labor-intensive process involved with production of imagine and the request for production and composition costs to be provided following the successful pilot period, the AMTA board regrets that at this time it is unable to allocate funding to continue the production of imagine. Dr. Kern, however, has assured continuation of its production separately from AMTA. The deadline for submission for the next issue is May 15, 2013. The AMTA Board of Directors extends its heartiest thanks to the imagine team for an excellent magazine that advances early childhood music therapy around the world, and endorses its continuation. Best wishes for a successful launch in 2013.

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