

# Lexington Council on Aging

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Dear Christian,

It is with pleasure that I write this letter in support of the programs and services provided by the Munroe Center for the Arts to the Lexington community. As you know, the Munroe Center and the Council on Aging have been collaborating on bringing arts programming to the seniors of Lexington. Responsibility for this has been in the capable hands of Hannah Hammond-Hagman, the Education Director at Munroe. It was Hannah who pursued funding and made arrangements with teachers through Munroe that would provide for art and music classes for seniors at both the Adult Supportive Day Care Program (now defunct) and the Lexington Senior Center.

The program at the Adult Supportive Day Care Program last year brought much needed stimulation to our seniors in that program. They were excited to engage in new activities. Those activities broadened their sense of accomplishment and brought them pleasure and pride. While the programs through the Senior Center have not met with the desired level of enrollments, seniors who have participated in them have enjoyed them very much.

This collaboration between the Munroe Center for the Arts and the Council on Aging is exactly the kind of cooperative endeavor that is needed in our community. We are most fortunate to have the Munroe Center, and its talented and committed leadership, in our town. I look forward to our continued association.

Sincerely,

Marian A.O. Cohen  
Chair, Council on Aging