



**Author and Professor
of Medical Humanities**

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**Presentation for the first year
medical school class**

“One Breath Apart”

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the UMMS Bookstore**

Sandra Bertman, Ph.D. was Professor of Humanities in Medicine at the University of Massachusetts Medical School and Graduate School of Nursing, and founding Director of the Program of Medical Humanities and Arts in Healthcare. She was honored by the University of Massachusetts for Distinguished Professional and Public Service, and more currently by the American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine and by Sigma Theta Tau, the International Graduate Nursing Honor Society. Visit <http://www.sandrabertman.com>

What people are saying...

Bertman’s book made me regret that I and so many other doctors had missed her insights into the mystery, misery, and mastery of grief. Students presented with these insights may discern what practitioners take decades to learn, if ever they do. – **Annals of Internal Medicine**

There is a profoundly human quality to Bertman’s work that makes her use of even well known paintings, photographs, and other images fresh and to the point. Her words help us understand what the images do for us and for our patients. A cherished book that captures the essence of palliative care.

– **Eric Cassell, MD, Author of *The Nature of Suffering and the Goals of Medicine***

... an excellent teaching tool...especially recommended for health care professionals and counselors who work with terminally ill patients and people who are facing imminent death. – **Elizabeth Kubler-Ross**

*“This book is a rare find, one that truly does show us ways to use the healing arts to help grievers transcend loss. Every and any therapist or educator will gain so much of value here from practical techniques to soaring theoretical insights. *Grief and the Healing Arts* is on its way to becoming a classic. It is a must have book.”* – **Ken Doka, Ph.D., Past President, Association for Death Education and Counseling**

