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**8TH ANNUAL ReelAbilities** FILM FESTIVAL

**NEW YORK** 

# **MARCH 10-16, 2016**

Presented by JCC Manhattan, the 8th Annual ReelAbilities: NY Disabilities Film Festival is dedicated to promoting awareness and appreciation of the lives, stories, and artistic expressions of people with different abilities. The festival presents award-winning films in various locations throughout the NY metropolitan area. Discussions and other engaging programs bring the community together to explore, discuss, and celebrate the diversity of our shared human experience.

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#### **ACCESSIBILITY INFORMATION**

ReelAbilities strives to include all people. Individuals requiring accommodations to participate should contact the screening venue directly by February 25. ASL interpretation, CART, Audio Description, and information in Braille are available upon request. All films are captioned and all venues are wheelchair accessible.

Audio Description provided by Michele Spitz, Erin deWard, and David Linton.

#### TICKET INFORMATION

Admission varies by location. Tickets are available online starting February 11. To purchase tickets or register by phone, please contact the screening venue directly.

Group rates and discounted passes are available. For information on these, please visit ny.reelabilities.org or contact the screening venue directly.

## **PROGRAM UPDATES, ADDITIONAL INFORMATION + TICKETS NY.REELABILITIES.ORG** 646.505.5708 | TTY 877.505.6708

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# **RED CARPET OPENING NIGHT**

THURSDAY, MARCH 10, 7 PM JCC MANHATTAN 334 Amsterdam Ave @ 76th St

## FEATURING **MARGARITA, WITH A STRAW** DIR. SHONALI BOSE & NILESH MANIYAR | 2014 | INDIA | 97 MIN

A funky coming-of-age tale of love, identity, and sexuality.

Followed by a conversation with filmmakers and guests, and opening night party.

**OPENING NIGHT CO-CHAIRS** Lynn Bartner-Wiesel & Elisha Wiesel Jordana & David Manzano

# FOR INFORMATION + TICKETS VISIT NY.REELABILITIES.ORG/ONG2016

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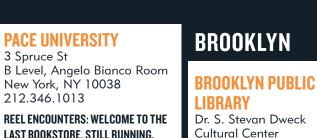
MANHATTAN BRONX BROOKLYN QUEENS **STATEN ISLAND** LONG ISLAND **WESTCHESTER** ROCKLAND

# **NY.REELABILITIES.ORG**

#### SCHEDULE **CITY COLLEGE** 160 Convent Ave New York, NY 10031 212.650.7552 ALL FILMS FOLLOWED BY CONVERSATION.

**ACCESSABILITY CENTER** Shepard Hall MCA Room 291 61 W 62nd St 212.875.5375

**LINCOLN CENTER FOR** THE PERFORMING ARTS David Rubenstein Atrium New York, NY 10023



**MOSHOLU PUBLIC LIBRARY** 285 E 205th St Bronx, NY 10467 718.882.8239 THE VOICE OF THE VOICELESS Sat, Mar 12, 1 pm

**JCC OF STATEN ISLAND** 1466 Manor Rd

718.475.5250

Staten Island, NY 10314

**STATEN ISLAND** 

**WESTCHESTER INSTITUTE FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT** Cedarwood Hall Valhalla, NY 10595 914.493.8993

VISIT NY.REELABILITIES.ORG FOR UPDATES		MARGARITA, WITH A STRAW Mon, Mar 14, 6 pm	Mon. Mar 14, 7:30 pm BIRTHDAY, GLI	LAST BOOKSTORE, STILL RUNNING, BIRTHDAY, GLIMPSE OF HEAVEN Fri, Mar 11, noon	Cultural Center 10 Grand Army Plaza Brooklyn, NY 11238 718 220 2100	QUEENS	REEL ENCOUNTERS: CHIMES FOR TYLER, SUPER SOUNDS, STRINGS, BUMBLEBEES,	GABE Sun, Mar 13, 2 pm
MANHATTAN JCC MANHATTAN	HAPPY 40TH Mon, Mar 14, 8:30 pm A BLIND HERO: THE LOVE OF OTTO WEIDT Tue, Mar 15, 6:30 pm	THE INTREPID SEA, AIR & SPACE MUSEUM 1 Intrepid Square,	MID-MANHATTAN LIBRARY 455 Fifth Ave, 6th Floor New York, NY 10016 212.340.0863	GABE Fri, Mar 11, 2 pm REEL ENCOUNTERS: MARINA'S OCEAN, I DON'T CARE, JESSE	718.230.2100 MARGARITA, WITH A STRAW Tue, Mar 15, 7:30 pm	CENTRAL QUEENS Y + SAMUEL FIELD Y 67-09 108th St Forest Hills, NY 11375	<b>I DON'T CARE, JESSE, PERFECT</b> Mon, Mar 14, 7 pm <b>TRUE SMILE</b> Wed, Mar 16, 7 pm	LONG ISLAND CINEMA ARTS CENTRE 423 Park Ave
334 Amsterdam Ave New York, NY 10023 646.505.5708 TTY 877.505.6708 <b>OPENING NIGHT GALA:</b> MARGARITA, WITH A STRAW Thu, Mar 10, 7 pm REEL ENCOUNTERS:	PATRICK'S DAY Tue, Mar 15, 8:30 pm CLOSING NIGHT: IN HARMONY Wed, Mar 16, 7 pm Followed by Closing Night Reception	12th Ave & 46th St New York, NY 10036 646.381.5289 BIRTHDAY + A GRAND PURSUIT Sun, Mar 13, 2 pm	A BLIND HERO: THE LOVE OF OTTO WEIDT Fri, Mar 11, 2 pm GABE Sat, Mar 12, 2 pm STILTS AND SPOKES Sun, Mar 13, 2 pm FORGOTTEN HOLLYWOOD	Mon, Mar 14, noon <b>TRUE SMILE</b> Mon, Mar 14, 2 pm <b>REEL ENCOUNTERS: GOOD BEER</b> , <b>PERFECT, SOLILOOUY, BUMBLEBEES</b> Tue, Mar 15, noon <b>ENTER THE FAUN</b> Tue, Mar 15, 2 pm	NEW YORK TRANSIT MUSEUM Corner of Boerum PI and Schermerhorn St Brooklyn, NY 11201 718.694.1600 2E: TWICE EXCEPTIONAL Tue, Mar 15, 6:30 pm	718.268.5011 2E: TWICE EXCEPTIONAL, BUMBLEBEES, GOOD BEER Sun, Mar 13, 2 pm REEL ENCOUNTERS: MARINA'S OCEAN, I DON'T CARE, STILL RUNNING, TAKE ME, BUMBLEBEES Mon, Mar 14, noon	<b>ST. GEORGE PUBLIC LIBRARY</b> 5 Central Ave Staten Island, NY 10301 718.442.8560 <b>GABE</b> Wed, Mar 16, 6 pm	Huntington, NY 11743 631.423.7610 <b>2E: TWICE EXCEPTIONAL</b> Sun, Mar 13, 1 pm <b>STILTS AND SPOKES</b> Sun, Mar 13, 3:30 pm
GLIMPSE OF HEAVEN, A GRAND PURSUIT, I DON'T CARE, MARINA'S OCEAN, STILL RUNNING, WELCOME TO THE LAST BOOKSTORE Fri, Mar 11, 10:30 am	<b>58TH ST. LIBRARY</b> 127 E 58th St New York, NY 10022 212.759.7358	CRIMINAL JUSTICE 899 10th Ave New York, NY 10019 212.237.8286 PATRICK'S DAY Thu, Mar 10, 1:30 pm	Wed, Mar 16, 6:30 pm MULBERRY STREET LIBRARY	REELABILITIES ENCORE PRESENTATION Mar 29 Visit ny.reelabilities.org for details	YAD HACHAZAKAH At the brooklyn Historical society	THE KINGSLAND HOMESTEAD 143-35 37th Ave Flushing, NY 11354	PATRICK'S DAY Fri, Mar 11, 2:30 pm ST. JOHN'S UNIVERSITY	GOLD COAST ARTS CENTER Bowtie Squire Cinemas 115 Middle Neck Rd Great Neck, NY 11021 516.829.2570
SHABBAT FILM, DINNER + CONVERSATION: REELATIONSHIPS Fri, Mar 11, 6:30 pm SOLILOOUY BY HEIDI LATSKY DANCE	<b>A BLIND HERO: THE LOVE OF OTTO WEIDT</b> Tue, Mar 15, 2 pm	REEL ENCOUNTERS: GOOD BEER, IDON'T CARE, TAKE ME, BIRTHDAY, GLIMPSE OF HEAVEN, JESSE Thu, Mar 10, 5:30 pm THE VOICE OF THE VOICELESS Thu, Mar 10, 7:30 pm	10 Jersey St New York, NY 10012 212.966.3424 ENTER THE FAUN + WELCOME TO THE LAST BOOKSTORE Fri, Mar 11, 1 pm	ST. JOHN'S UNIVERSITY Multi-Purpose Room, Level 1 101 Astor Pl New York, NY 10003 718.990.1308 REEL ENCOUNTERS: JESSE, BUMBLEBEES, PERFECT, MARINA'S	128 Pierrepont St Brooklyn, NY 11201 646.723.3955 THAT WHICH IS POSSIBLE	718.939.0647 <b>THE VOICE OF THE VOICELESS</b> Sat, Mar 12, 3 pm <b>A BLIND HERO: THE LOVE OF OTTO WEIDT</b> Sun, Mar 13, 2:30 pm	Kelleher Center, Kiernan Suite 300 Howard Ave Staten Island, NY 10301 718.990.1308 DO YOU DREAM IN COLOR? Tue, Mar 15, 7 pm WESTCHESTER	MARGARITA, WITH A STRAW Wed, Mar 16, 7:30 pm
Sat, Mar 12, 2:30 pm CHALLENGING HISTORY Sat, Mar 12, 3 pm FAMILY-FRIENDLY SHORTS:	<b>67TH ST. LIBRARY</b> 328 E 67th St New York, NY 10065 212.734.1717				Tue, Mar 15, 6:30 pm BRONX			JCC ROCKLAND 450 West Nyack Road
CHIMES FOR TYLER, LITTLE HERO, Macropolis, Strings, Super Sounds, the tales of The golden Sand	STILTS AND SPOKES Thu, Mar 10, 4:30 pm REEL ENCOUNTERS: SUPER SOUNDS, STRINGS, CHIMES FOR TYLER	LOWER EAST SIDE GIRLS CLUB 402 East 8th St New York, NY 10009	THE CHILD STUDY CENTER AT NYU NYU Tisch School of the Arts 721 Broadway, Screening Room 006	<b>OCEAN, WELCOME TO THE LAST BOOKSTORE, A GRAND PURSUIT</b> Sat, Mar 12, 2 pm	BRONX HOUSE 990 Pelham Parkway South Bronx, NY 10461 718.792.1800	MUSEUM OF THE MOVING IMAGE Bartos Screening Room 36-01 35th Ave (at 37th St) Astoria, NY 11106	THE COLLEGE OF NEW ROCHELLE 29 Castle Place	West Nyack, NY 10994 845.362.4400 <b>2E: TWICE EXCEPTIONAL + BUMBLEBEES</b> Thu, Mar 10, 7:30 pm + Mon, Mar 14, 1:30 pm
Sat, Mar 12, 4 pm BODY SCRIPTING WORKSHOP Sat, Mar 12, 4:30 pm THAT WHICH IS POSSIBLE	Fri, Mar 11, 3 pm MARINA'S OCEAN + I DON'T CARE Sat, Mar 12, 3 pm MACROPOLIS + SENSORY STORYTIME FOR CHILDREN Mon, Mar 14, 3 pm ENTER THE FAUN Tue, Mar 15, 4:30 pm DO YOU DREAM IN COLOR? Wed, Mar 16, 4:30 pm	212.982.1633 DO YOU DREAM IN COLOR? Fri, Mar 11, 6 pm REEL ENCOUNTERS: A GRAND PURSUIT, BUMBLEBEES, LITTLE HERO, THE TALES OF THE GOLDEN SAND Sat, Mar 12, 11:30 am MORE ADAPTABLE: REDNECK WOMAN DANCE TROUPE Sat, Mar 12, 1:30 pm	New York, NY 10003 646.754.4882 <b>2E: TWICE EXCEPTIONAL + BUMBLEBEES</b> Wed, Mar 16, 6:30 pm <b>NYU LANGONE</b> <b>MEDICAL CENTER</b> Alumni Hall B 550 First Ave (at E 30th St) New York, NY 10016 212.998.3759 <b>THAT WHICH IS POSSIBLE</b> Fri, Mar 11, 1 pm	WASHINGTON HEIGHTS LIBRARY 1000 St. Nicholas Ave New York, NY 10032 212.923.6054 HAPPY 40TH Sat, Mar 12, 2 pm	TRUE SMILE Sat, Mar 12, 2 pm MUSIC FOR AUTISM CONCERT Sun, Mar 13, noon LEHMAN COLLEGE Music Building, East Dining Room 250 Bedford Park Blvd West Bronx, NY, 10468 718.960.8441 STILTS AND SPOKES	718.777.6888 THAT WHICH IS POSSIBLE Sat, Mar 12, 2 pm HAPPY 40TH Sat, Mar 12, 5 pm MARGARITA, WITH A STRAW Sun, Mar 13, 2 pm PATRICK'S DAY Sun, Mar 13, 5 pm	Romita Auditorium New Rochelle, NY 10805 914.654.5581 THE VOICE OF THE VOICELESS + WELCOME TO THE LAST BOOKSTORE Fri, Mar 11, 12:30 pm DO YOU DREAM IN COLOR? + BUMBLEBEES Tue, Mar 15, 4:30 pm	A BLIND HERO: THE LOVE OF OTTO WEIDT Sun, Mar 13, 1 pm STILTS AND SPOKES + STILL RUNNING
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#### 2E: TWICE EXCEPTIONAL

DIR. THOMAS ROPELEWSKY | 2015 | 54 MIN | USA | DOCUMENTARY NY PREMIERE

An honest, up-close look at a group of high school students identified as "twice exceptional" highly gifted individuals with learning disabilities or differences. 2E indicates where our next generation of "outliers"—geniuses, mavericks, and dreamers—may come from and what it's like to be their parent or teacher.

#### A BLIND HERO: THE LOVE OF OTTO WEIDT

#### DIR. KAI CHRISTENSEN | 2014 | 89 MIN | GERMANY | DOCUDRAMA

The story of the heroic Otto Weidt, who saved dozens of Jews from the Nazi death camps. Weidt, a broom factory owner, cunningly outwits the Nazis to protect his staff, most of whom are Jewish and blind.

#### **DO YOU DREAM IN COLOR?**

#### DIR. ABIGAIL FULLER & SARAH IVY | 2014 | 76 MIN | USA | DOCUMENTARY

Four teens who are blind navigate high school and strive to achieve their goals: to be a sponsored skateboarder, to travel the world, to become a rock star, and to be the first in one's family to graduate high school.

#### ENTER THE FAUN

DIR. TAMAR ROGOFF & DAISY WRIGHT | 2015 | 67 MIN | USA | DOCUMENTARY As a veteran choreographer trains a young actor with cerebral palsy to dance in her performance, they discover that her lack of formal medical training and his fears and physical limitations provide the impetus for unprecedented transformation.

#### GABE

#### DIR. LUKE TERRELL | 2015 | 72 MIN | USA | DOCUMENTARY SPECIAL PREVIEW

Gabe was born with muscular dystrophy. For his entire life, he was told he would be lucky to live past 25. Upon learning he was misdiagnosed and could live well into his 50s, Gabe is forced to rethink his life from scratch.

#### HAPPY 40TH

#### DIR. MADOKA RAINE | 2015 | 100 MIN | USA | NARRATIVE NYC PREMIERE

Four women celebrate a friend's birthday for the first time since a car accident left her in a wheelchair. Over the course of a weekend, intimacies are shared and an unthinkable betrayal forces the group of friends and lovers to re-evaluate long-held assumptions.

#### IN HARMONY

#### DIR. DENIS DERCOURT | 2014 | 90 MIN | FRANCE | NARRATIVE NY PREMIERE

After a serious riding accident, Marc loses all hope of ever getting back on a horse. Florence, who works for an insurance company, is placed in charge of his case. Their brief interaction will impact them in more ways than they can imagine.

#### MARGARITA, WITH A STRAW

#### DIR. SHONALI BOSE & NILESH MANIYAR | 2014 | 97 MIN | INDIA | NARRATIVE NY PREMIERE

A funky, joyous, coming-of-age tale. Laila, a Punjabi girl with cerebral palsy, is an aspiring writer who leaves India for a coveted spot at New York University, where she is exposed to and explores a new world.

#### **PATRICK'S DAY**

#### DIR. TERRY MCMAHON | 2014 | 98 MIN | IRELAND | NARRATIVE NYC PREMIERE

An audacious and provocative love story. Patrick is a warm young man living with schizophrenia. His mother's fierce protection means he is no threat to himself or anyone else—until St. Patrick's Day, when he falls in love.

STILTS AND SPOKES

#### DIR. JACK WINCH | 2014 | 91 MIN | USA | DOCUMENTARY **US PREMIERE**

After falling off a boulder and breaking his neck, Jay Cramer rebounds from injury to win the Los Angeles Funniest Comic competition. While in rehab, he meets and falls in love with Katy Sullivan, a world-class double above-the-knee amputee sprinter.

#### THAT WHICH IS POSSIBLE

#### DIR. MICHAEL GITLIN | 2015 | 84 MIN | USA | DOCUMENTARY

A community of painters, sculptors, musicians, and writers create works at the Living Museum, an art space on the grounds of a large state-run psychiatric facility in Queens. That Which Is Possible explores creativity as a more humane and holistic approach to mental illness.

#### TRUE SMILE

#### DIR. JUAN RAYOS | 2015 | 82 MIN | SPAIN | DOCUMENTARY NY PREMIERE

An astonishing journey of two brothers—Sergio, who is blind and has autism, and his brother, Juan—who embark on a 1,300-kilometer tandem bike ride from Spain to Morocco.

#### THE VOICE OF THE VOICELESS

#### DIR. MAXIMON MONIHAN | 2013 | 109 MIN | GUATEMALA, USA | NARRATIVE NY PREMIERE

Olga, along with others from Mexico and Guatemala, is brought to New York under the false promise of being offered a scholarship at a sign language school. Upon arrival, they discover they are being held hostage by a cartel, and are forced to sell paper towels on the New York City subway.



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#### A GRAND PURSUIT

#### DIR. WILL STRATHMANN | 2015 | 23 MIN | USA | DOCUMENTARY | NY PREMIERE

Vasu Sojitra is the first leg amputee to attempt climbing the Grand Teton mountains without using a prosthetic leg.

#### BIRTHDAY

#### DIR. CHRIS KING | 2015 | 16 MIN | USA | NARRATIVE

A severely wounded Marine returns home to his wife after months of surgery and rehabilitation.

#### BUMBLEBEES

#### DIR. JENNA KANELL | 2015 | 4 MIN | USA | NARRATIVE | NY PREMIERE Despite being told as a child he would never walk or speak, Vance accomplished the impossible. But now he has a new challenge: dating. 🎬

**CHIMES FOR TYLER** DIR. STEPHEN PANAGGIO | 2014 | 8 MIN | USA | DOCUMENTARY A boy with autism can distinguish wind

#### **GLIMPSE OF HEAVEN**

chimes by sound. 🎬

DIR. DIEGO ROBLES | 2012 | 12 MIN | USA | NARRATIVE | NY PREMIERE A blind veteran changes his outlook on life after meeting a young girl. 🎬

#### **GOOD BEER**

#### DIR. TONY BORDEN | 2015 | 7 MIN | USA | NARRATIVE Shannon and David meet online and go on a revealing first date.

#### I DON'T CARE

#### DIR. CAROLINE GIAMMETTA | 2014 | 14 MIN | UK | NARRATIVE

A mother-to-be faces the possibility of having a child with Down syndrome.

#### JESSE

#### DIR. ADAM GOLDHAMMER | 2013 | 14 MIN | CANADA | NARRATIVE | NY PREMIERE

Kelly, a 22-year-old, is the sole caregiver for her older brother, Jesse, who has autism.

#### LITTLE HERO

DIR. MARCUS A. MCDOUGALD & JENNIFER MEDVIN | 2015 | 10 MIN | USA | DOCUMENTARY A 6-year-old boy with autism is seen through his twin sister's eyes.

#### MACROPOLIS

DIR. JOEL SIMON | 2012 | 7 MIN | UK | NARRATIVE | NYC PREMIERE Two toys made at a factory are thrown out, and together attempt to be put on a store shelf. 🎬

#### **MARINA'S OCEAN**

#### DIR. CÁSSIO PEREIRA DOS SANTOS | 2014 | 16 MIN | BRAZIL | NARRATIVE A teen with Down syndrome visits the sea

#### **THE MOBILE STRIPPER**

for the first time.

DIR. SHIRLYN WONG | 2014 | 14 MIN | USA | NARRATIVE | NY PREMIERE What begins as a ride to the gas station by a man with Parkinson's develops into an unforeseen adventure.

#### PERFECT

#### DIR. KARIM AYARI | 2013 | 12 MIN | USA | NARRATIVE | NY PREMIERE

Julius meets with his psychologist after what he considered to be a disastrous first date due to his involuntary tics.

#### SOLILOQUY

DIR. HEIDI LATSKY | 2015 | 14 MIN | USA | DOCUMENTARY An illuminating and moving close-up

look at a diverse group of performers of Heidi Latsky Dance.

#### **STILL RUNNING**

#### DIR. WAYNE DE LANGE & SVEN HARDING | DIR. ANAÏS BARBEAU-LAVALETTE & 2014 | 5 MIN | USA | DOCUMENTARY Following a cycling accident which left him **CANADA | NARRATIVE** paralyzed, Pieter du Preez becomes the first ever C6 quadriplegic to complete an

#### STRINGS

#### DIR. PEDRO SOLÍS GARCÍA | 2013 |

11 MIN SPAIN | NARRATIVE María's routine at school is altered by the arrival of a child who soon becomes her best friend. 🎬

#### **SUPER SOUNDS**

Iron Man triathlon.

DIR. STEPHEN DE VILLIERS | 2014 | 12 MIN | USA | DOCUMENTARY | NYC PREMIERE

A serendipitous encounter between a young girl and a boy with superhero aspirations. 🎬

# **SPECIAL EVENTS**

#### **RESISTANCE | A SOLO EXHIBITION OF WORK BY LAURA SWANSON CURATED BY AMANDA CACHI** THE LAURIE M. TISCH GALLERY AT JCC MANHATTAN

#### March 6-April 13

Resistance is a solo exhibition of recent work by New York-based artist Laura Swanson that addresses the behavior of looking at conspicuous physical difference and disability. Swanson's work depicts the empowerment of those who continue to be socially marginalized. Both visually inviting and culturally disruptive, the work strives to critically examine social bias and act as a catalyst for new and dynamic dialogues about how difference is perceived. Opening reception: Sat, Mar 12, 7–8:30 pm @ JCC Manhattan

#### SHABBAT DINNER, MOVIES + CONVERSATION: REELATIONSHIPS

Join ReelAbilities for Friday night dinner, featuring award-winning films and a riveting conversation about life, love, and relationships. Films include: Good Beer, Jesse, The Mobile Stripper, Perfect, Take Me, Bumblebees, and Birthday (see FILMS for description). Advance registration required. Fri, Mar 11, 6:30 pm @ JCC Manhattan

### FOR A FULL LIST OF SPECIAL EVENTS, VISIT: NY.REELABILITIES.ORG

#### **REELABILITIES R&R** SAT, MAR 12, 2–5 PM | JCC MANHATTAN

Join us for an afternoon of free, family-friendly programs. See a full list of events and workshops, such as a screenprinting workshop, yoga for children, a theater workshop, and much more at: NY.REELABILITIES.ORG

#### SOLILOQUY: HEIDI LATSKY DANCE | 2:30 PM

Incorporating dancers with and without disabilities, Heidi Latsky Dance redefines beauty and virtuosity through performance and discourse, using performers with unique attributes to bring passionate and provocative contemporary dance to diverse audiences. The program will feature a screening of the film Soliloguy (see SHORTS), as well as a performance and a discussion with Ms. Latsky and members of the company.

#### CHALLENGING HISTORY | 3 PM

Real stories of people with disabilities unearth a hidden history of New York City. Join disability advocates as they talk about the changing landscape of disability in New York City over time—including past and present history and thoughts on the future. Panelists will share stories from their own experiences working in disability communities throughout the city. Presented by The New York Public Library's Oral History Project, Visible Lives: Oral Histories of the Disability Experience.

#### ENTER THE FAUN-BODY SCRIPTING WORKSHOP | 4:30 PM

Tamar Rogoff and Gregg Mozgala offer a movement workshop in conjunction with the documentary screening of *Enter The Faun* (see FILMS). They will demonstrate the experiential methods used to transform Gregg's body. Sitting on chairs or standing and moving through the room, participants are guided into experiencing new and surprising places in their own body from which to move.

#### SEEING THROUGH DRAWING

Be inspired by the Museum's collection and learn innovative drawing techniques. Sat, Mar 12, 11 am @ The Metropolitan Museum

#### MORE ADAPTABLE: RED NECK WOMEN DANCE TROUPE A dance piece by dancer/choreographer Amy Meisner-Threet. Sat, Mar 12, 1:30 pm @ Lower East Side Girls Club

MUSIC FOR AUTISM An interactive "autism friendly" concert.

Sun, Mar 13, noon @ Bronx House

#### BEYOND HOLLYWOOD: AUTHENTICITY AND OPPORTUNITY

Filmmakers and actors with disabilities continue to have limited access to opportunities in film and television. With new formats and platforms opening doors to a more diverse and accessible production and programming, people of all abilities should be able to break through Hollywood's less accessible barriers and create a more inclusive media landscape. Join us for this constructive conversation to learn from industry professionals as they discuss their own career path and explore the tension between authenticity and artistic license, between accuracy and appropriation. Brunch will be served.

Copresented by SAG-AFTRA, NYC Mayor's Office for Media and Entertainment, Inclusion in the Arts and NY Women in Film and Television.

#### Sun, Mar 13, noon @ JCC Manhattan

#### FOR FULL EVENTS DETAILS + VENUE INFORMATION VISIT: NY.REELABILITIES.ORG

#### **RULE BREAKING**

The complex relationships between brothers and sisters, clients and caregivers, and mothers and sons. Performed by participants of the NYU Steinhardt's Drama Therapy Program

#### Mon, Mar 14, 1 pm @ Kips Bay Public Library

#### FORGOTTEN HOLLYWOOD—AUTHOR PRESENTATION + BOOK SIGNING

An oral presentation by Manny Pacheco, the author of the "Forgotten Hollywood" book series, including details about Lionel Barrymore—a pioneer disability advocate in cinema and society. Mon, Mar 14, 10:30 am @ Baychester Library Tue, Mar 15, 11 am @ Jerome Park Library Wed, Mar 16, 6:30 pm @ Mid Manhattan Library

#### SENSORY STORYTIME

Sensory Storytime is a fun new interactive library literacy program geared specifically for school-gae children with special needs and their families or caregivers. The storytime, designed to engage kids through movement, music, stories, and sensory activity play, is ideal for children with autism spectrum disorders or sensory integration challenges, or children who have difficulty sitting still. March 10, 10 am @ Throgs Neck Library

March 11, 11 am @ Riverdale Library March 14, 3:30 pm @ 67th Street Library March 14, 10:30 am @ South Beach Library March 16, 11:15 am @ Roosevelt Island Library

#### TAKE ME

# ANDRÉ TURPIN |2014 | 10 MIN |

A nurse confronts his principles when he's asked to aid two patients in assisted sex.

#### THE TALES OF THE GOLDEN SAND

DIR. FRED & SAMUEL GUILLAUME | 2015 | 23 MIN | FRANCE | NARRATIVE | **US PREMIERE** 

The mythical tale of the sweet town of Merryville, where an unexpected intruder disrupts the daily calm. 🎬

#### WELCOME TO THE LAST BOOKSTORE

#### DIR. CHAD HOWITT |2015 | 11 MIN | USA | DOCUMENTARY | NY PREMIERE

A day in the life of a bookstore owner—a father, husband, small business owner, and paraplegic—showing the store's magnetic appeal to the community.

indicates family friendly films