

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.

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

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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

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SCHEDULE

ALL FILMS FOLLOWED BY CONVERSATION.
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OPENING NIGHT GALA:
MARGARITA, WITH A STRAW
Thu, Mar 10, 7 pm

REEL ENCOUNTERS:
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

SHABBAT FILM, DINNER + CONVERSATION: REELATIONSHIPS
Fri, Mar 11, 6:30 pm

SOLILQUY BY HEIDI LATSKY DANCE
Sat, Mar 12, 2:30 pm

CHALLENGING HISTORY
Sat, Mar 12, 3 pm

FAMILY-FRIENDLY SHORTS:
CHIMES FOR TYLER, LITTLE HERO, MACROPOLIS, STRINGS, SUPER SOUNDS, THE TALES OF THE GOLDEN SAND
Sat, Mar 12, 4 pm

BODY SCRIPTING WORKSHOP
Sat, Mar 12, 4:30 pm

THAT WHICH IS POSSIBLE
Sat, Mar 12, 6 pm

EXHIBIT OPENING + RECEPTION
Sat, Mar 12, 7 pm

ENTER THE FAUN
Sat, Mar 12, 8:30 pm

BEYOND HOLLYWOOD:
AUTHENTICITY & OPPORTUNITY
Sun, Mar 13, noon

DO YOU DREAM IN COLOR?
Sun, Mar 13, 2 pm

2E: TWICE EXCEPTIONAL
Sun, Mar 13, 4 pm

TRUE SMILE
Sun, Mar 13, 6 pm

THE VOICE OF THE VOICELESS
Sun, Mar 13, 8 pm

STILTS AND SPOKES
Mon, Mar 14, 6:30 pm

HAPPY 40TH
Mon, Mar 14, 8:30 pm

A BLIND HERO: THE LOVE OF OTTO WEIDT
Tue, Mar 15, 6:30 pm

PATRICK'S DAY
Tue, Mar 15, 8:30 pm

CLOSING NIGHT: IN HARMONY
Wed, Mar 16, 7 pm
Followed by Closing Night Reception

58TH ST. LIBRARY
127 E 58th St
New York, NY 10022
212.759.7358

A BLIND HERO: THE LOVE OF OTTO WEIDT
Tue, Mar 15, 2 pm

67TH ST. LIBRARY
328 E 67th St
New York, NY 10065
212.734.1717

STILTS AND SPOKES
Thu, Mar 10, 4:30 pm

REEL ENCOUNTERS: SUPER SOUNDS, STRINGS, CHIMES FOR TYLER
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

AGUILAR PUBLIC LIBRARY
74 E 110th St
New York, NY 10029
212.534.2930

REEL ENCOUNTERS: LITTLE HERO, STRINGS, SUPER SOUNDS
Fri, Mar 11, 3 pm

REEL ENCOUNTERS: A GRAND PURSUIT, MACROPOLIS, MARINA'S OCEAN
Tue, Mar 15, 3 pm

CITY COLLEGE ACCESSABILITY CENTER
Shepard Hall MCA Room 291
160 Convent Ave
New York, NY 10031
212.650.7552

MARGARITA, WITH A STRAW
Mon, Mar 14, 6 pm

THE INTREPID SEA, AIR & SPACE MUSEUM
1 Intrepid Square,
12th Ave & 46th St
New York, NY 10036
646.381.5289

BIRTHDAY + A GRAND PURSUIT
Sun, Mar 13, 2 pm

JOHN JAY COLLEGE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE
899 10th Ave
New York, NY 10019
212.237.8286

PATRICK'S DAY
Thu, Mar 10, 1:30 pm

REEL ENCOUNTERS: GOOD BEER, I DON'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

LOWER EAST SIDE GIRLS CLUB
402 East 8th St
New York, NY 10009
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

LINCOLN CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS
David Rubenstein Atrium
61 W 62nd St
New York, NY 10023
212.346.1013

ENTER THE FAUN
Mon, Mar 14, 7:30 pm

MID-MANHATTAN LIBRARY
455 Fifth Ave, 6th Floor
New York, NY 10016
212.346.0863

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
Wed, Mar 16, 6:30 pm

MULBERRY STREET LIBRARY
10 Jersey St
New York, NY 10012
212.966.3424

ENTER THE FAUN + WELCOME TO THE LAST BOOKSTORE
Fri, Mar 11, 1 pm

THE CHILD STUDY CENTER AT NYU
NYU Tisch School of the Arts
721 Broadway,
Screening Room 006
New York, NY 10003
646.754.4882

2E: TWICE EXCEPTIONAL + BUMBLEBEES
Wed, Mar 16, 6:30 pm

NYU LANGONE MEDICAL CENTER
Alumni Hall B
550 First Ave (at E 30th St)
New York, NY 10016
212.998.3759

THAT WHICH IS POSSIBLE
Fri, Mar 11, 1 pm

PACE UNIVERSITY
3 Spruce St
B Level, Angelo Bianco Room
New York, NY 10038
212.346.1013

REEL ENCOUNTERS: WELCOME TO THE LAST BOOKSTORE, STILL RUNNING, BIRTHDAY, GLIMPSE OF HEAVEN
Fri, Mar 11, noon

GABE
Fri, Mar 11, 2 pm

REEL ENCOUNTERS: MARINA'S OCEAN, I DON'T CARE, JESSE
Mon, Mar 14, noon

TRUE SMILE
Mon, Mar 14, 2 pm

REEL ENCOUNTERS: GOOD BEER, PERFECT, SOLILQUY, BUMBLEBEES
Tue, Mar 15, noon

ENTER THE FAUN
Tue, Mar 15, 2 pm

REELABILITIES ENCORE PRESENTATION
Mar 29
Visit ny.reelabilities.org for details

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 OCEAN, WELCOME TO THE LAST BOOKSTORE, A GRAND PURSUIT
Sat, Mar 12, 2 pm

WASHINGTON HEIGHTS LIBRARY
1000 St. Nicholas Ave
New York, NY 10032
212.923.6054

HAPPY 40TH
Sat, Mar 12, 2 pm

WHITNEY MUSEUM OF AMERICAN ART
99 Gansevoort St
New York, NY 10014
212.671.1823

GABE
Sun, Mar 13, noon

THAT WHICH IS POSSIBLE
Sun, Mar 13, 3 pm

BROOKLYN

BROOKLYN PUBLIC LIBRARY
Dr. S. Stevan Dweck
Cultural Center
10 Grand Army Plaza
Brooklyn, NY 11238
718.230.2100

MARGARITA, WITH A STRAW
Tue, Mar 15, 7:30 pm

NEW YORK TRANSIT MUSEUM
Corner of Boerum Pl and Schermerhorn St
Brooklyn, NY 11201
718.694.1600

2E: TWICE EXCEPTIONAL
Tue, Mar 15, 6:30 pm

YAD HACHAZAKAH AT THE BROOKLYN HISTORICAL SOCIETY
128 Pierrepont St
Brooklyn, NY 11201
646.723.3955

THAT WHICH IS POSSIBLE
Tue, Mar 15, 6:30 pm

BRONX

BRONX HOUSE
990 Pelham Parkway South
Bronx, NY 10461
718.792.1800

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
Mon, Mar 14, 5 pm

TRUE SMILE
Mon, Mar 14, 7 pm

MARGARITA, WITH A STRAW
Tue, Mar 15, 5 pm

REEL ENCOUNTERS: A GRAND PURSUIT, SUPER SOUNDS, MACROPOLIS, BUMBLEBEES, GOOD BEER, PERFECT, GLIMPSE OF HEAVEN, BIRTHDAY
Tue, Mar 15, 7 pm

MOSHOLU PUBLIC LIBRARY
285 E 205th St
Bronx, NY 10467
718.882.8239

THE VOICE OF THE VOICELESS
Sat, Mar 12, 1 pm

QUEENS

CENTRAL QUEENS Y + SAMUEL FIELD Y
67-09 108th St
Forest Hills, NY 11375
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

THE KINGSLAND HOMESTEAD
143-35 37th Ave
Flushing, NY 11354
718.939.0647

THE VOICE OF THE VOICELESS
Sat, Mar 12, 3 pm

A BLIND HERO: THE LOVE OF OTTO WEIDT
Sun, Mar 13, 2:30 pm

MUSEUM OF THE MOVING IMAGE
Bartos Screening Room
36-01 35th Ave (at 37th St)
Astoria, NY 11106
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

STATEN ISLAND

JCC OF STATEN ISLAND
1466 Manor Rd
Staten Island, NY 10314
718.475.5250

REEL ENCOUNTERS: CHIMES FOR TYLER, SUPER SOUNDS, STRINGS, BUMBLEBEES, I DON'T CARE, JESSE, PERFECT
Mon, Mar 14, 7 pm

TRUE SMILE
Wed, Mar 16, 7 pm

PATRICK'S DAY
Fri, Mar 11, 2:30 pm

ST. GEORGE PUBLIC LIBRARY
5 Central Ave
Staten Island, NY 10301
718.442.8560

GABE
Wed, Mar 16, 6 pm

ST. JOHN'S UNIVERSITY
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

THE COLLEGE OF NEW ROCHELLE
29 Castle Place
Romita Auditorium
New Rochelle, NY 10805
914.654.5581

THAT WHICH IS POSSIBLE
Tue, Mar 15, 4:30 pm

DO YOU DREAM IN COLOR? + WELCOME TO THE LAST BOOKSTORE
Fri, Mar 11, 12:30 pm

DO YOU DREAM IN COLOR? + BUMBLEBEES
Tue, Mar 15, 4:30 pm

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

GABE
Sun, Mar 13, 2 pm

LONG ISLAND

CINEMA ARTS CENTRE
423 Park Ave
Huntington, NY 11743
631.423.7610

2E: TWICE EXCEPTIONAL
Sun, Mar 13, 1 pm

STILTS AND SPOKES
Sun, Mar 13, 3:30 pm

GOLD COAST ARTS CENTER
Bowtie Squire Cinemas
115 Middle Neck Rd
Great Neck, NY 11021
516.829.2570

MARGARITA, WITH A STRAW
Wed, Mar 16, 7:30 pm

ROCKLAND

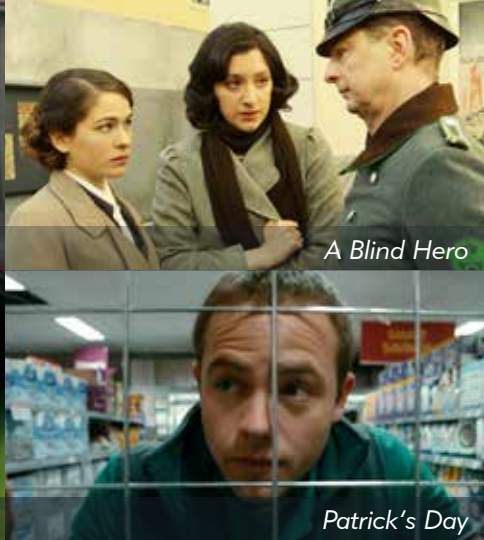
JCC ROCKLAND
450 West Nyack Road
West Nyack, NY 10994
845.362.4400

2E: TWICE EXCEPTIONAL + BUMBLEBEES
Thu, Mar 10, 7:30 pm +
Mon, Mar 14, 1:30 pm

A BLIND HERO: THE LOVE OF OTTO WEIDT
Sun, Mar 13, 1 pm

STILTS AND SPOKES + STILL RUNNING
Mon, Mar 14, 7:30 pm

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FILMS

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.



SHORTS

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 chimes by sound.

GLIMPSE OF HEAVEN

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. MCDUGALD & 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 | NY 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 for the first time.

THE MOBILE STRIPPER

DIR. SHIRLYN WONG | 2014 | 14 MIN | USA | NARRATIVE | NY PREMIERE

What begins as a ride to the gas station by a man with Cerebral Palsy 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 | 2014 | 5 MIN | USA | DOCUMENTARY

Following a cycling accident which left him paralyzed, Pieter du Preez becomes the first ever C6 quadriplegic to complete an Iron Man triathlon.

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

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

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

TAKE ME

DIR. ANAÍS BARBEAU-LAVALLETTE & ANDRÉ TURPIN | 2014 | 10 MIN | CANADA | NARRATIVE

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

SPECIAL EVENTS

RESISTANCE | A SOLO EXHIBITION OF WORK BY LAURA SWANSON | CURATED BY AMANDA CACHIA | 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

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 *Soliloquy* (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

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