

# Wednesday, April 6th

Hours: 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

## **FREE and Open to the Public**

**10:30 am - 12:30 pm:**

Student Workshops/ Grades 7-12

Curated Tour of Exhibition

**12:30 pm - 1:00 pm:**

Lunchtime Lecture

Jason Harris, Jason's Connection

[Website: Jason's Connection](#)

*Founded in 2013 by the Harris Family, Jason's Connection is dedicated to connecting us to resources that serve our needs, enrich our lives and help us meet our goals. Their mission is to create an online community that connects people experiencing disability and their family/caregivers to quality resources, support and each other.*

*Jason Harris: I am a 26 year old college graduate. I love hiking, traveling with friends, films, theatre, the Cincinnati Reds and Ohio State Buckeyes. I am also on the Asperger's Spectrum which means I face challenges with anxiety, social skills, organizational skills and certain medical issues. Asperger's is a hidden disability like ADHD, learning disabilities, and mental health issues.*

**1:30 pm - 4:00 pm:**

Informal advocate discussions with our friends featured in the multi-media exhibition.

Curated Tour of Exhibition

**4:30 pm - 5:00 pm:**

ON BEAUTY Screening, Kartemquin Films, Joanna Rudnick, Director

[Website: ON BEAUTY](#)

Q & A with Rick Guidotti

[Website: POSITIVE EXPOSURE POP-UP Center](#)

# Thursday, April 7th

Hours: 10:00 am - 9:00 pm

**FREE and Open to the Public**

**10:30 am - 12:30 pm:**

**Student Workshops, Grades K-6**

**Curated Tours**

**12:30 pm - 1:00 pm:**

**Lunchtime Lecture:**

**Tara Lazar, Funny Author Lady**

**Website: Tara Lazar**

Children's Books: NORMAL NORMAN

also,

LITTLE RED GLIDING HOOD (RH, 2015)

I THOUGHT THIS WAS A BEAR BOOK (S&S, 2015)

THE MONSTORE (S&S, 2013)

*Tara loves children's books. Her goal is to create books that children love. She writes picture books and middle grade novels. She's written short stories for Abe's Peanut and is featured in Break These Rules, a book of life-lesson essays for teens, edited by author Luke Reynolds.*

*Tara created PiBoldMo (Picture Book Idea Month) as the picture book writer's answer to NaNoWriMo (National Novel Writing Month). PiBoldMo is held on this blog every November. In 2014, PiBoldMo featured over 1,300 participants from around the world.*

*Tara was diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis in 2010 and has permanently lost feeling in her feet and legs.*

**1:00 pm - 2:00 pm:**

**ON BEAUTY screening, Kartemquin Films, Director,**

**Joanna Rudnick**

**Q & A with Rick Guidotti**

**[Website: ON BEAUTY](#)**

**2:00 pm - 3:30 pm:**

**Informal advocate discussions with our friends featured in the multi-media exhibition.**

**Curated Tours of Exhibition**

**3:30 pm - 5:30 pm:**

**Educators' Workshop: POSITIVE EXPOSURE in the classroom.**

- **Liz Matejka Grossman, Executive Director**
- **Rick Guidotti, Founder**
- **PEARLS / FRAME Program presentation**
- **MY FACE: Curriculum development, [Website: My Face](#)**

**6:00 pm - 8:00 pm:                      Special Presentation**

**HEIDI LATSKY DANCE:  
ON DISPLAY  
A MOVEMENT INSTALLATION**

**[Website: Heidi Latsky Dance](#)**

*The mission of Heidi Latsky Dance is to redefine beauty and virtuosity through performance and discourse, using performers with unique attributes to bring rigorous, passionate and provocative contemporary dance to diverse audiences.*

*Statement from Heidi Latsky, Founder and Artistic Director:*

*I strive to create a private world onstage that the audience is drawn into. I love watching dancers so consumed by their tasks that they do not have the time to "act." I want to see the human being who is moving; to feel their fleeting emotions that respond to, and inform, the movements they're executing.*

*I am fascinated by technical virtuosity, but I am just as compelled by someone taking a risk, showing his or her vulnerability, being in a raw state. I like to play with the balance between control and out-of-control and love sheer frenetic muscular power. I love to "twitch" when I watch my dancers. Only then do I know they're feeling something and there is a visceral exchange.*

**Presentation during The Heidi Latsky installation:**

- **Weinberg Family Cerebral Palsy with the New York City Ballet [Article](#)**
- **Concurrent discussions: Community Based**
- **Presentations/ Diversability Access: [Website: Diversability](#)**

*Diversability is an award-winning global movement to rebrand disability that began in Washington, DC by Tiffany Yu in 2009.*

*Diversability fosters community online and off (curated events) designed to connect, showcase, and empower people of all abilities doing amazing things. We want to get more people talking and thinking about disability as a core part of the diversity conversation. Diversability unites the disability community, engage allies in the conversation, and celebrate disability pride.*

**"More than 1 billion of us live with disabilities. We must remove all barriers that affect the inclusion and participation of persons with disabilities in society, including through changing attitudes that fuel stigma and institutionalize discrimination."**

- Ban Ki-moon, Secretary-General of the United Nations

[Website: POSITIVE EXPOSURE POP-UP Center](#)

# Friday, April 8th

Hours: 10 am - 6 pm

**FREE and Open to the Public**

**10:30 am - 12:30 pm:**

Student Workshops, Grades K-6

Curated Tours

**12:30 pm - 1:30 pm:**

Lunchtime Presentations

**Rachel Adams, Author**

*Disability has inspired the transformation of our social worlds.*

**Jessica Murray**, CUNY, Disability Studies

**2:00 pm - 3:00 pm:**

ON BEAUTY screening, Kartemquin Films, Director, Joanna Rudnick

Q & A with Rick Guidotti

[Website: ON BEAUTY](#)

**3:00 pm - 5:00 pm:**

Karlen Bader, Uniformed Services University

*Reflective Expressions: Mask Building Workshop*

POSITIVE EXPOSURE in the Medical School environment

Liz Matejka Grossman, Executive Director  
Rick Guidotti, Founder  
FRAME Program presentation  
Joan H. Marks Graduate Human Genetics Program: Sarah Lawrence College

**5:00 pm - 5:45 pm:**

**Special Presentation**

Maria Hodermarska and Company  
*Rule Breaking: Street theater to engage in a dialogue around developmental disability.*  
[Website: Rule Breaking](#)

[Website: POSITIVE EXPOSURE POP-UP Center](#)

# Saturday, April 9th

Hours: 12:00 pm - 6:00 pm

**Free and Open to our Family Advocacy Organizations and friends. All are welcome!**

## **FAMILY ADVOCATE DAY:**

**All Local and National Advocacy organizations and their members are invited. Come tell your story..**

**12:30pm - 1:00 pm:**

**Hannah Jacobs, Family Member**

Family Member works toward eradicating hate speech targeting the disability community, promoting positive images of special needs in social media, entertainment and in every day life.

[Website: Family Member Inc](#)

**1:00 pm - 5:00 pm**

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**Karlen Bader, Uniformed Services University**  
*Reflective Expressions: Mask Building Workshop*  
**Make your own mask!**

**2:00 pm - 3:00 pm:**

**Daniel's Music Foundation, Performance**

*Daniel's Music Foundation uses music as the instrument to open the doors to acceptance, respect, confidence and well-being.*

[Website: Daniels Music Foundation](#)

**4:30 pm - 5:00 pm:**

**The Honorable Justice Richard Bernstein/  
Michigan Supreme Court**

*Justice Richard Bernstein became the first blind justice, elected by voters statewide, to the Michigan Supreme Court in November 2014. With a commitment to justice and fairness, Bernstein began his 8-year term in January 2015.*

*Prior to being elected to Michigan's highest court, Justice Bernstein was known as a tireless advocate for disabled rights as an attorney heading the public service division for The Sam Bernstein Law Firm in Farmington Hills, Michigan. Blind since birth, Justice Bernstein is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of the University of Michigan and earned his juris doctorate from Northwestern University School of Law.*

*Committed to taking action to help clients who needed him, Justice Bernstein's cases often set national standards protecting the rights and safety of people with and without disabilities.*

**And More.....**

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# Monday, April 11th

**Hours: 10:00 am - 6:00 pm**

**Free and Open to the Public  
Final Day**

## **POSITIVE EXPOSURE POP-UP Center/ Multi-Media Exhibition**

### **10:30 am - 12:30 pm:**

Student Workshops, Open

Curated Tours

### **12:30 pm - 3:30 pm:**

#### **Christine Bruno, Actress- Inclusion in the Arts**

*Since 2005, Christine has served as Disability Advocate for Inclusion in the Arts, a national not-for-profit that promotes the full inclusion of artists of color and disabled artists in theatre, film, television and related media. She is the current chair of the NY Local SAG-AFTRA committee for Performers with Disabilities, and serves on the SAG-AFTRA National PWD, Broadway League Diversity and Actors' Equity EEO Committees. Christine has worked throughout the U.S., U.K. and Australia. She holds an MFA in Acting and Directing from the Actors Studio Masters Program and is a lifetime member of the Actors Studio.*

#### **Becky Curran- Motivational Speaker, SAG AFTRA**

*Becky Curran is coordinator of EEO & diversity for SAG-AFTRA. Since joining SAG-AFTRA in April 2014, she has assisted with several diversity and inclusion efforts within the entertainment and news media industries. Becky has worked for one of Hollywood's top talent agencies, Creative Artists Agency. A prolific public speaker, Curran has spoken for groups throughout the United States and Kenya.*

#### **ReelAbilities Film Festival, Presentations and Discussions**

*ReelAbilities Film Festival brings together the community to promote awareness and appreciation of the lives, stories and artistic expressions of people with different abilities. ReelAbilities Film Festival showcases films, conversations and artistic programs to explore, embrace, and celebrate the diversity of our shared human experience.*

[Website: ReelAbilities](#)