



Free Collaborative Screening of BEST AND MOST BEAUTIFUL THINGS

OMAHA (2/21/17) – On Tuesday, March 21, 2017, at 7 pm, Film Streams and the **Meyer Foundation for Disabilities** will present a one-time, free screening of the documentary **BEST AND MOST BEAUTIFUL THINGS** at the Ruth Sokolof Theater, 1340 Mike Fahey Street. A panel discussion will follow the film.

After graduating from the prestigious Perkins School for the Blind, a quirky and determined young woman named Michelle Smith — who is on the autism spectrum and legally blind — becomes isolated and homebound. Michelle passes time on the computer, feeding her interests and bold curiosity about the world beyond her walls. Online, she meets and falls in love with a young college student named Michael, and together they become involved in a local fetish role-playing community. Through her relationship with Michael and their adventures in this new sex-positive community, Michelle experiences a burgeoning empowerment and finds the acceptance that has eluded her since her time in school. **BEST AND MOST BEAUTIFUL THINGS** gently reveals how all the most beautiful things, including love and sexuality, are not bound by disability.

Following the film will be a panel discussion with Cheryl Wichman, parent of a child who has a visual impairment and is on the spectrum; Rachel Carver, Public Relations Coordinator at Outlook Nebraska, Inc., who is herself blind; Susan Pope, Instructional Resource Center Coordinator for the Nebraska Center for the Education of Children who are Blind and Visually Impaired. Mary McHale, President of the Meyer Foundation for Disabilities will moderate.

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Free tickets for this Tuesday, March 21, 7 pm screening may be reserved online at <http://bit.ly/2lllaps>, in person at the Film Streams Box Office, or by calling 402-933-0259 x 15. There is a limit of two passes per person.

Live audio description services will be provided by Outlook Nebraska, Inc. in collaboration with Radio Talking Book Service. To request a Spanish or ASL interpretation, patrons may contact dene@filmstreams.org.

For more information, questions or requests, please contact Patrick Kinney at (402) 933-0259 x 11 or patrick@filmstreams.org.

The screening and discussion are part of Film Streams' Community Development Program, which facilitates partnerships with other nonprofits and community groups on film-related events that speak to their missions and programming. Each quarter, Film Streams' Community Development Committee reviews proposals for special screenings and programs. Deadlines for proposals are January 2 (for April-June events), April 1 (for July-September), July 1 (for October-December) and October 1 (for January-March).

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The Meyer Foundation for Disabilities (MFD), directly and by awarding grants to other local non-profit organizations, expands the social and recreational opportunities in inclusive settings for teens and adults in the Omaha community. The MFD website, <http://www.omahadisabilities.org>, disseminates information to families of individuals with developmental disabilities and to the general public.
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