

## Spring Updates

March 2015



Spring is here, and change is in the air! Here are some updates from the Welcome Change team.

### ***Q Film & Accommodation at Reel Abilities & Picture This Film Festival!***



*Q Film* made its world festival premiere at [Reel Abilities New York](#), with screenings March 13th, 14th, & 15th! *Q Film* will screen once more at **the JCC in Staten Island** on **Wednesday, March 18th** at **6PM** as part of their ***Reel Encounters*** shorts program. The complete screening schedule can be found [here](#).

*Accommodation* made its international festival debut at [Picture This... International Disability Film Festival](#) in Calgary. The film screened **Monday, 3/16** at **10:00AM** as part of their ***Potpourri of Shorts*** program.

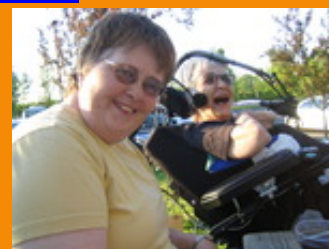
Alice and Q will also present *Accommodation* at the [2015 IAC Annual Conference](#) in a session on the future vision for accessibility. Let us know if you plan on attending!

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## ***Activate Here! and The Arc***

This year the **Arc of Illinois Media Award** goes to Alice Elliott! The Arc will present the award to Alice at their **65th Annual Convention**, where she and Diana will speak about *ACTIVATE HERE!* The conference will take place **April 22nd & 23rd** at the **Hilton Lisle/Naperville** in Lisle, IL.



*ACTIVATE HERE!* has also been invited to screen at the [NDSC's 2015 Youth & Adult Conference](#) in Phoenix! Carrie Bergeron, one of the self-advocates appearing in the videos, will host a workshop on the topics covered in *ACTIVATE HERE!* for other self-advocates. Get in touch if you plan on attending - we'd love to connect!

**The National Arc** is also hosting *ACTIVATE HERE!* on [their YouTube channel!](#)

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## **Developmental Disability Awareness Month & the DPS**

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With the annual [Disability Policy Seminar](#) just around the corner, the national Arc is taking advantage of March being Developmental Disability Awareness month [to underscore the importance of this event](#). This year's seminar coincides with some important anniversaries - 25 years of the ADA and 50 years of Medicaid and Medicare! Let's keep



the momentum going - if you can attend, do!

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## Let's Start a Conversation!

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