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Productions

## *The Interviewer*

"We use cast and crew that have a variety of different disabilities, but that doesn't change our professional attitude. We believe that people with a disability can be involved in making professional films and creating work of excellence. "

*-Genevieve Clay-Smith , Executive Director of Bus Stop Films*



*The Interviewer* is an award winning short film from Australia co-directed by Genevieve Clay-Smith and Robin Bryan. The film follows Thomas Howell, as he nervously awaits a job interview at a prestigious law firm. Thomas is surprised and confused when he realizes his interviewer and possible boss, James Dexter,

has Down syndrome. James leads Tom to an office where he conducts an amusingly unconventional interview. Their interaction, along with the film's many surprises, leaves the viewer with a new understanding of first impressions, second chances, and equal opportunities. This month, Welcome Change brings you *The Interviewer*.

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## THREE REASONS WHY WE LIKE THIS

### JAMES' CHARACTER

This film challenges the stereotypes associated with people with disabilities. James' character is well developed, complex and his Down syndrome is not his defining characteristic.

### COMIC RELIEF

This film sheds light on social issues, particularly stigmas against people with disabilities, while also remaining light and entertaining.

### THE TEAM

The creators of *The Interviewer* stayed true to "nothing for us without us," by mentoring twelve filmmakers with disabilities who played roles in every step of the filmmaking process.

There is so much exciting and well-made media about disability. The challenge is knowing where to find it, and how to use it.

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