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"Keep the Change"



This month, Trusted Source invites you to watch the trailer for Rachel Israel's new feature film *Keep the Change.* Set in New York City, *Keep the Change* is a romantic comedy about David and Sarah (Brandon Polansky and Samantha Elisofon), two adults with autism who meet through a Jewish community social program and develop a relationship, despite the challenges of David's judgmental mother, Sarah's past, and society's ideas of what love is. If you're in New York City, *Keep the Change* is currently enjoying a run at the Quad Cinema. It will be playing in select cities through July. Click <u>here</u> to see screenings and locations.

THREE REASONS TO WATCH

TRUST

There is a clear, trusted collaboration between the director and its stars, who in real-life also have autism. The director accommodates their disabilities while never taking away from their abilities as actors. The result is an authentic hybrid of a film, scripted but with a documentary feel.

PROCESS

This was a two-year commitment on the part of director Rachel Israel, who first made a short film, developed a feature and raised the money for it. She then worked with her cast on the script in an authentic and dramatic way. It's a tenacious, indepth process.

RECEPTION

We love that the film is being acknowledged in the way that it is. Both critics and the public are appreciating the value and emotional resonance of the film and how it was made. It will hopefully bring attention and finance to other projects as inclusive as this one.

There is so much exciting and well-made media about disability. The challenge is knowing where to find it, and how to use it. Trusted Source is a monthly media recommendation that you can use in your trainings and classrooms, and that you can share with your networks. We hope you find these pieces as insightful and inspiring as we do.

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