As a toddler, Alonzo Clemons had a brain injury. This injury affected the way Alonzo interpreted the world around him. When he began to sculpt, people noticed his unique way of working.

During countless negative experiences throughout his ten years in a state hospital, Alonzo found solace in his passion for sculpting.

After leaving the hospital, he was recognized for his talent in detailed sculptor of animals.

We found this short documentary through sproutflix.
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Graphics

The well-designed graphics are original. Unlike most subtitles, these convey Alonzo's speech pattern. If you were hearing impaired and watching, you would have a sense of the hesitancy in Alonzo's voice. They are well timed and well placed.

Content

This short film captures the artist and his process. Like many artists, Alonzo is not verbose about his work, it speaks for itself. The loving detail on well observed animals give the viewer immediate accessibility to the figures. Created in a realistic genre, the musculature almost asks for us to touch it.

Filmmaking
The filmmaking is so respectful and truly honors the subject and his talent. Even in this very short piece, we discover so much about Alonzo, his past, his happiness in his current place and how he wants to live. We hope these filmmakers continue giving voice to people with disabilities.

Alonzo Clemons is an artist with a remarkable background. His sculptural specialty is the creation of animal figures, full of life and spirit, which are made with amazing speed, great accuracy in form and artistic beauty.

Visit website

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How can I view?

Aside from clicking the above video you can check out more videos featuring Alonzo Clemons through his very own website.

Through there you will also be able to purchase his pieces and see what else he is up to!

Videos of Alonzo
There are many exciting films and well-made media featuring disability. The challenge is knowing where to find it, and how to use it.

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