

Wells College Presents Screening of Documentary about Three Pioneering Adults Who Challenge Our Perceptions of Intelligence

The free screening of “Intelligent Lives,” a film by Dan Habib, will be followed by a Q&A discussion and reception.

AURORA, N.Y. — “Intelligent Lives,” a film by Dan Habib, stars three pioneering young American adults with intellectual disabilities — Micah, Naieer and Naomie — who challenge perceptions of intelligence as they navigate high school, college and the work force.

The film will be screened in Zabriskie Hall room 106 (the deWitt Lecture Hall) on the Wells College campus at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 13, 2018. A Q&A and discussion will follow, and refreshments will be provided. The film is open-captioned.

Academy Award-winning actor and narrator Chris Cooper contextualizes the lives of these central characters through the emotional personal story of his son Jesse, as the film unpacks the shameful and ongoing track record of intelligence testing in the United States. “Intelligent Lives” challenges what it means to be intelligent, and points to a future in which people of all abilities can fully participate in higher education, meaningful employment and intimate relationships. To find out more, please visit intelligentlives.org.

For more information about the screening, please contact Marcie Belfi, assistant professor of education, at mbelfi@wells.edu or 315.364.3246.

This event is cosponsored by the following Wells College units: Access for All Abilities (AAA), the Social Sciences Speaker Series (S4), and the Wells College education program. The screening was made possible by Racker, envisioning a world where all people know they belong.