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ALLENTOWN, PA – Lehigh Valley Arts Council proud to announce *Champions of Inclusion*, the documentary, airing exclusively on PBS39 on September 15, 8:00 – 9:00 pm.

The documentary will share the story of how a community works together to build arts programming and opportunities for people with disabilities. Viewers will meet the mothers and fathers, brothers and sisters, activists, and advocates who have nurtured a culture of accessibility and belonging in the Lehigh Valley.

The hour-long film will feature Lehigh Valley artists, arts organizations, and champions of accessibility and inclusion including Tom and Ellen Flynn from The Art Establishment, Jess Bien of Muhlenberg College's department of theater and dance, visually impaired artists, Michael Freeman and Mary Ann Dunwoodie, the Creative Abilities Group, and more. It will also include an exclusive interview with Micah Fowler, the young actor with cerebral palsy, who most recently played JJ DiMeo on the ABC Network Comedy, *Speechless*.

Champions of Inclusion will air on Tuesday, September 15 from 8:00 – 9:00 pm on local PBS39. The premiere will also be live-streamed online at wlv.org.

For more information, please visit <https://www.lvartscouncil.org/champions-of-inclusion/> .