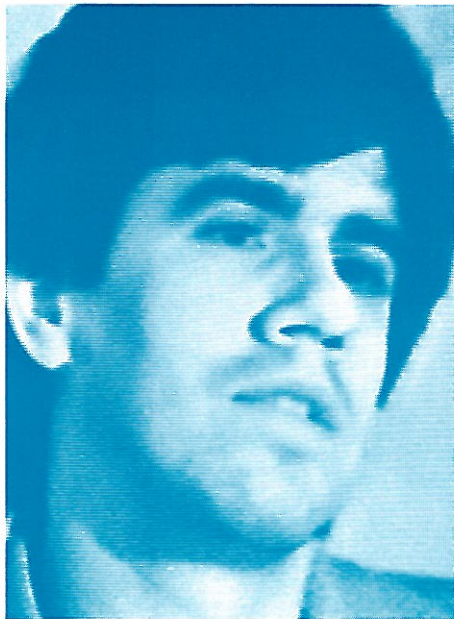


a documentary about disabilities and relationships

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US & THEM



Although more disabled people are being mainstreamed into society with each succeeding year, most non-disabled people remain ignorant and fearful of the disabled, and of what personal relationships with them would be like.

US & THEM is a 32 minute documentary that intimately explores 3 close relationships between disabled and non-disabled people.

RAY & PAT – a blind man and his sighted wife

DAVID & BOB – a quadriplegic student and his able-bodied best friend

IZZY & DAVID – a retarded man and his non-retarded close friend

US & THEM allows viewers to openly confront their own fears and stereotypes about disabilities, and to understand what a close relationship with a disabled person might be like.

“says more about how disabled and non-disabled people are identical spiritually than any 100 average programs about disability. It shows simply and profoundly how love transcends physical and even mental differences absolutely.”

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“marvelous...it could have a revolutionary effect on people's attitudes.”

Douglas Biklen, Director
Center on Human Policy

“a moving documentary...an important piece of work which I hope receives the widest distribution.”

Burton Blatt, Dean
School of Education
Syracuse University

“very useful for stimulating discussion between handicapped persons and their families and friends ...also useful in the training of all who work with the mentally and physically disabled.”

Jack Neher
HOSPITAL & COMMUNITY PSYCHIATRY

“Excellent for libraries as both a reference tool and a resource to promote mainstreaming. It gives specific information on disabilities and also demonstrates the positive interaction which disabled and able-bodied people can have.”

Judyth Lessee
Tucson Public Library

RECOMMENDED AUDIENCES:

- communities, universities, and schools where disabled people are being integrated into the general population
- communities where halfway houses or group homes are being established
- universities, hospitals, and schools which train staff to work with disabled people
- general public for sensitization about disabled people

US & THEM • Produced by Fred Simon & Janet Kamien • 32 minutes • Available on all video formats
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