

AUTISTIC CREATORS SPOTLIGHTED BY DETROIT MONTH OF DESIGN

This year, and hopefully for years to come, the prestigious Detroit Month of Design will be including a full LIVE and ONLINE media event by Tink Tank Animate, Detroit's unique neurodiverse arts of storytelling program, that services autistic artists from all over the country and beyond the pond. An event that will include live readings from out of state and out of town authors, musical and comedy performances, live stop-motion and hand drawn animation demonstrations by the artists themselves, constant animated shorts screenings, and more of the same by online artists unable to travel in for an in person performance. All together there will be over 20 performances and hours of entertainment all devised by the wondrous minds of these autistic creators.

The Tink Tank Animate program was founded by writer, director, producer Tawd b. Dorenfeld where he recruited professionals to become mentors like himself to these marginalized artists. After 6 years of building Tink Tank Animate from the ground up, Dorenfeld has filed to progress the organization to the next larger level becoming a 501c by 2025. This growth will bring Tink Tank Animate into even more homes and more cities across the country, all stemming from the hub of Detroit, Michigan, the new media center of the Mid-West.

This is a free event and the invite is open to anyone interested to please come in-person or in the least log on and watch the event live online. Thank you.

Autistic Creators Festival of Media, Performance, Design, & Story

Saturday

September 28th, 2024

3pm - 8pm

18109 Livernois Ave.

Detroit, MI, 48221

LIVE ONLINE EVENT

<https://tinktanimate.com/detroit-design-month/>

Organization Website

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Founder/Program Director: Tawd b. Dorenfeld

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LIST OF PERFORMERS

LIVE IN PERSON

(order and schedule not set)

Alexandra Adlawan (CA) - Children's Book Author/Illustrator "Adventures of Maddie and Albert"

Jacob Haffey (MI) - Author, Journalist

James Barbatano (MI) - Children's Book Author/Host of MI Diverse Podcast "Wonder Ducks book"

Madison Cahill (NY) - Author/Illustrator/Award Winning Music Video Director

Handsome G aka Gabe Taraborrelli (MI) - Rapper/Ventriloquist

Harry Schad (CO) - Children's Author/Animator/Director "Wilson S. Whale"

John Pannozzi (RH) - Author/Director "Laughing to Death: A look at Horror Comedy"

Jimmy McNeil (MI) - Animator (Live Hand Drawn Animation demonstration)

Zak Laffite (CA) - Stop Motion Animator (Live Stop Motion demonstration)

Dryw Lee (MI) - Actor/Director (MC for the Event, host of MI Diverse Podcast)

Jenna Ruff (OH/MI) - Writer/Director (MC for the Event, host of MI Diverse Podcast)

LIST OF ANIMATED SHORT CREATORS

(in no particular order)

Tyler Cunningham

Clare Smythe

Martin Peterson

Evan Baby

Caden Catchick

Sam Hedriks

Harry Schad

Andres Lerma

Kennedy Areffi

Alex Areffi

Kevin Browne

Satori Falcon

Jesse Makapagal

Thaddeus Stauder

John Pannozzi

Justin Valenti

James Barbatano

Alexandra Adlawan

Seri Beyhum

Peter McMahon

Kyle Grossart

Zake Laffite

Lucas James

Forest Lohead
Daniel Parra
Jonathan Perez-Torres
Joshua Cajulis
Justin Gadbury
Aaron Schiff
Ben Olesko
Sophia Olesko
Clare Hidalgo
Ethan Thomas
Madison Cahill
Shane Blackburn

TINK TANK ANIMATE
AUTISTIC FESTIVAL OF
CREATORS OF
MEDIA, PERFORMANCE, DESIGN, & STORY

LIVE STOP MOTION & HAND DRAWN ANIMATION
LIVE READINGS FROM AUTISTIC CHILDREN'S AUTHORS
LIVE AUTISTIC RAP & VENTRILOQUIST PERFORMANCES
PROJECTED ZOOM PERFORMANCES FROM ACROSS THE COUNTRY
CONSTANT SCREENINGS OF ANIMATED SHORTS

GET TO DO STOP MOTION YOURSELF!!!
THIS IS A FREE ALL AGES EVENT

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