



Person First Forum

Hosted by the Museum of disABILITY History

**FREE
EVENT!**

“Art, My Gift and My Companion” Featuring Local Artist Cindy Few

Saturday, June 21, 2014
1 p.m.-3 p.m.
3826 Main Street, Buffalo

The Person First Forum, a series by the Museum of disABILITY History, will focus on ways that people with disabilities can positively influence the lives of others by making use of unique talents. Join Cindy Few as she shares her life story as an artist and displays her work.

About Cindy:



Cindy Few is a local artist whose whimsical illustrations have helped her overcome life's hurdles and have inspired many in the process.

Few was born with a congenital heart defect and, at 14, underwent open heart surgery to help correct oxygen insufficiency and the possibility of stroke. Alongside this complication, learning disabilities made schoolwork a challenge. However, Few discovered a talent that was more powerful: her artistic abilities.

A resident of Lockport, Few began drawing when she was just five years old, her earliest creations appearing on restaurant placemats. As she progressed through school, she drew for teachers and classmates, and even discovered that her illustrations could be used to better understand her studies. Throughout her student career,

Few found numerous outlets for her artistic talent. She designed countless posters and contributed a cartoon column to her school newspaper. Additionally, she designed logos for soccer camp operator Challenger Sports and crafted thank you cards for a Mary Kay representative.

Later on, Few found she had another challenge facing her besides her learning disability. She developed schizophrenia, which adversely affected her concentration, as well as the motivation she had once had for her illustrations. However, with the help of a naturopathic doctor, medication and alterations to her diet, Few has since reconnected with her artwork. She now has greeting cards professionally printed and would like to write and illustrate a book in the future.

FREE admission to the Person First Forum. Regular admission applies for those who wish to tour the Museum of disABILITY History (open from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.).

The presentation is ideal for:

- Teachers of students with disabilities who possess artistic talents.
- Students interested in promoting their paintings or drawings in a new way.

The artist will discuss:

- How art has helped her overcome life's hurdles.
- People who have supported her.
- How her artwork has evolved.
- Plans for the future.

Registration encouraged. RSVP to 716.629.3626.




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