



## **Futures Explored in conjunction with Inclusion Films Practical Film and Media Workshop**

### **Overall Program Goal**

The Futures Explored *"Film & Media Workshop"* is a vocational program that assists individuals with developmental disabilities with learning film production, multimedia development, and supporting role skills for positions which can help lead to employment in the Film and Media Industry. The program objective is to provide hands-on, opportunities for program participants to develop tangible and experiential skills for the film and media industry.

The program will incorporate film production, project management, marketing, graphic design, advertising, and sales. Each workshop will develop and build upon the creative and practical skills of interested filmmakers who have a developmental disability, with the ultimate goal for them to become employed, independent, and well-rounded individuals.

### **Expected Outcomes/Objectives:**

- Individuals will have a working knowledge of the physical production of a film.
- Individuals will understand that when writing a script, each story has a beginning, middle, and end, as well as a conflict and resolution.
- Individuals will understand the basics of digital video editing.
- Individuals will understand the fundamentals of lighting equipment and the digital video camera.
- Individuals will develop employability skills through acting and role-playing exercises, as well as by working as a part of a production team in a variety of roles.
- Individuals will understand fundamentals of graphic design and learn advertising strategies for marketing a feature film.
- Individuals will be exposed to a variety of jobs within the industry, as well as potential opportunities for micro-enterprise/self-owned businesses.

### **Individuals Who Actively Participate in the Program Should Leave With:**

- A knowledge of the various job opportunities within the film industry, as well as some hard skills in areas that they enjoy and want to pursue.
- A basic employment/skills based resume.
- DVD copies of their films.
- Employability skills, in regards to working on a team, following direction, understanding team dynamics and structure.

Upon program completion of each workshop, Individuals may choose to pursue further opportunities with Futures Explored. Internships are offered in each of the departments; i.e. editing, camera, art, and production assistant. Internships are available to Individuals who have demonstrated proficiency and commitment to that department. Upon completion of an internship, Individuals may be able to continue to work for Futures Explored as employees. Employment will be offered to Individuals who have completed three terms of the workshop and at least one term as an intern, and who have shown competency and trustworthiness. Additionally, Individuals may have opportunities to obtain outside internships with local businesses with the assistance of Inclusion Films, Futures Films and Futures Films.