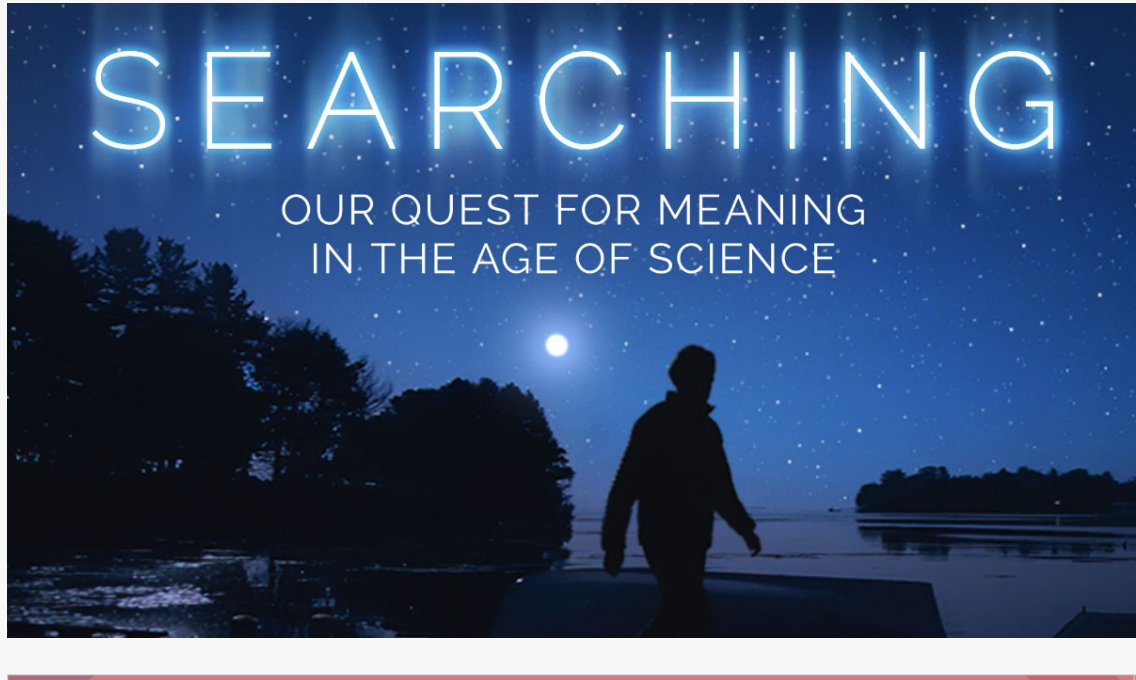
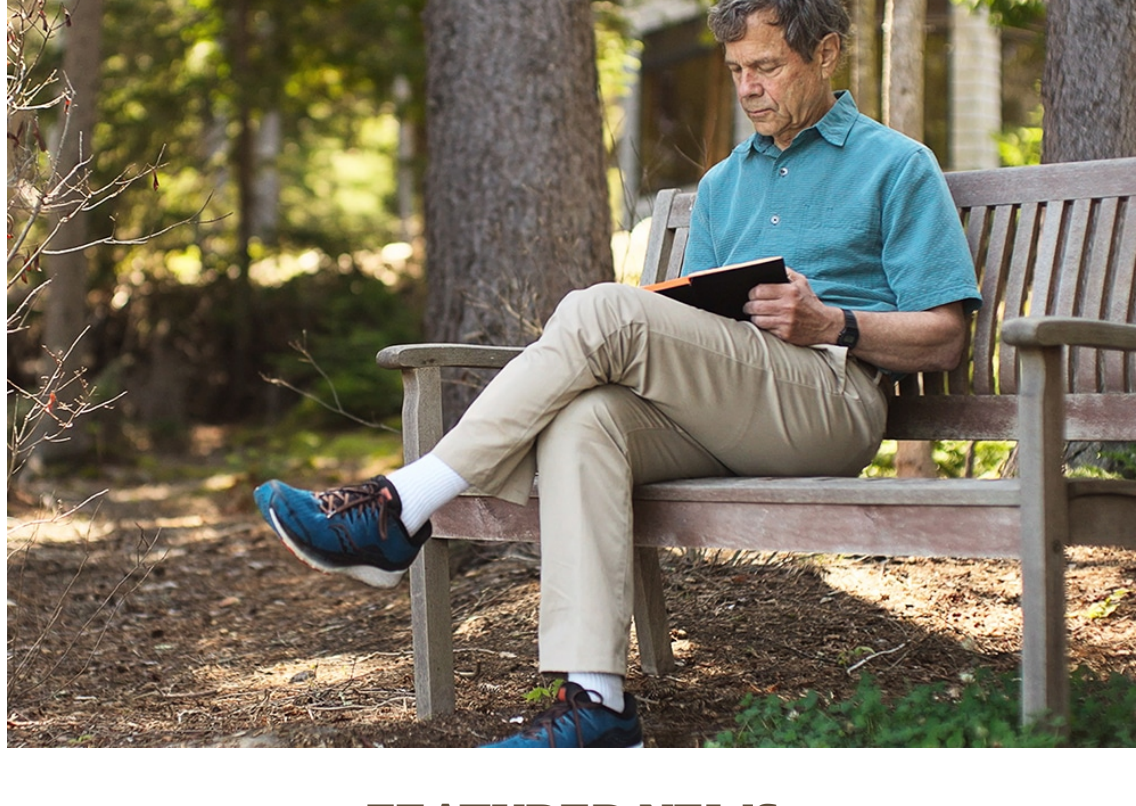


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CURRENT EVENTS, COLLABORATIONS, AND MORE BELOW



FEATURED NEWS

The John Templeton Foundation

“SEARCHING:Our Quest for Meaning in the Age of Science.”

Where do we fit in the grand scheme of things? **The quest for meaning is one that every human starts one day in his or her life, and a fundamental part of our experience as a species.** In *Searching, our quest for meaning in the age of science*, MIT physicist and best-selling novelist **Alan Lightman** will explore fundamental questions about the nature of humanity in three-hour-long specials.

The series presents a number of meetings and conversations between Lightman and Nobel Prize-winning scientists, philosophers, ethicists, and faith leaders. **Lightman will meet several astounding thinkers in his worldwide journey for truth, including an advanced android named Bina48, philosopher Rebecca Goldstein and the Dalai Lama himself.**

It will consist of three chapters: “**The Stars & The Osprey,**” “**The Big & The Small,**” and “**Homo Techno.**” Each will explore our connection to the universe, our place among the cosmos, and how technology will affect who we are, respectively.

Dicapta has provided audio description in English, closed captions in Spanish, and ASL for this incredible new series. These services are available thanks to funding from the United States Department of Education. Searching will be broadcast on PBS starting January 7th. Accessibility for the series is available on your PBS channel or using the [All4Access app](#).



COLLABORATION

Iberoamerican Film Festival Miami

Once more the IAFFM, in collaboration with Dicapta and Canal 22 International , is bringing accessibility to the main stage. **The 5th annual Iberoamerican Film Festival Miami IAFFM will take place in Miami, Florida from the 24th to the 29th of January 2023.** This edition, the festival will present several films with audio description (AD) and captions in Spanish and American Sign Language (ASL). This is a unique opportunity for the audience to experience the impact of accessibility and to learn how filmmakers can create more inclusive productions.

Every year, the IAFFM seeks to promote the best US LatinX and IberoX feature films, shorts and documentaries. **This 2023, the guest country will be Argentina.**

If you live in the Miami area and enjoy watching movies with accessibility, join us at the SilverSpot Cinema for the festival. Prior to the event, we suggest you to download the Access4All app to your mobile device, available for iOS and Android.

About the IAFFM

The IAFFM held its first edition in 2016 as the Indie Pasión Festival. It started as a one-day event and has grown into four full days packed with screenings, forums, special events, and networking mixers. The Festival’s mission is to exhibit and celebrate films from Latin America, Spain, and Portugal that possess a high level of artistry and are otherwise noteworthy for communicating a meaningful and powerful message of social impact.



OUR MENTOR'S CORNER

CONCHITA HERNÁNDEZ

Conchita Hernandez is a doctoral student in special education at George Washington University. Ms. Hernández, who is blind, is a blind and low vision specialist for the Maryland School for the Blind. She has also been appointed by President Biden as one of the fourteen members of the National Board for Education Sciences. We had a phenomenal interview with Conchita, which you can read in full by visiting the following [link](#).

CURRENT EVENTS

January 12

Cine Con Sentido presents “María Felix, María Bonita, María del Alma”
Spanish CC and AD are available using All4Access.

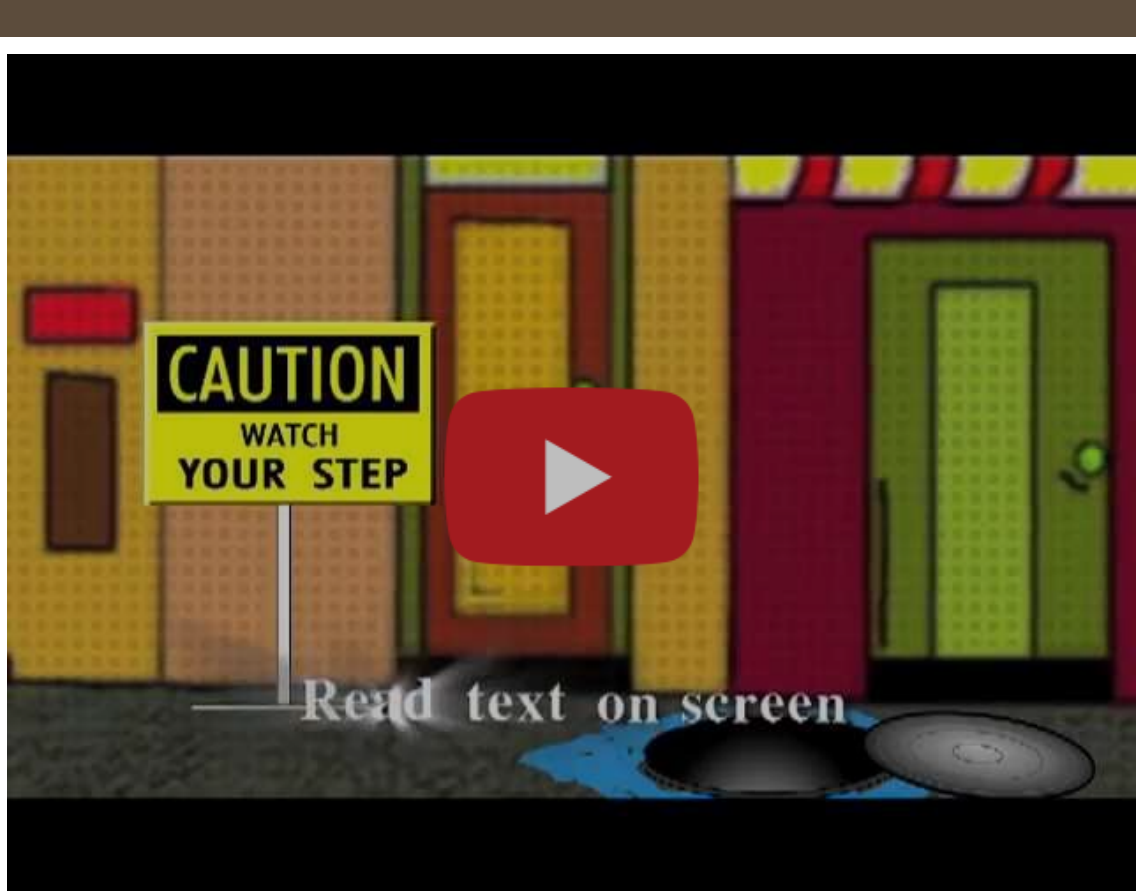
At 6:00 p.m. PT, [Los Angeles Mexican Consulate](#)

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At 6:00 p.m. PT, [Museum of Latin American Art](#)

January 24-29

[Ibero-American Film Festival](#)



DESCRIPTION TUTORIAL: READ TEXT ON SCREEN

This video produced by Dicapta for The Smith-Kettlewell Video Description Research and Development Center ([VDRDC](#)) showcases one of the fundamental principles of audio description: **reading the text on screen.**



BREAK THE ICE

This is a series of ASL words or phrases to help anybody establish a connection with a deaf person who uses ASL. These clips aren't an ASL course; they are just conversation starters. **This time we present the sign for "Can I help you?".** Hopefully, after you learn the signs in our series, you may be encouraged to delve deeper into ASL.



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