



The "R" Word

They have been called "village idiots", "imbeciles", "fools", "sub-humans" and "retards". They have been incarcerated and abused in prisons and institutions. They have been feared and misunderstood for centuries. They are people with intellectual disabilities. Directed by Pierre Tétrault, *The "R" Word* tells the stories of three generations of families and individuals, their incredible stories of courage, vulnerability and love. We come out of these stories with a new understanding of the urgency to create conditions where all people can maximize their potential without fear of discrimination and dehumanization and how that process in turn makes us all more fully human.

This film will be available in 2009.

ABOUT THE DIRECTOR

Actor, director, artistic director and writer **Pierre Tétrault** launched his film career with the award winning documentary entitled *This Beggar's Description* for the National Film Board of Canada. Previously he developed theatre for Carousel Players before joining Young People's Theatre in Toronto as Artistic Director. Notable shows include Dora award nominees *Mella Mella*, *The Prince and the Pauper* and *Ghost Train*. Tétrault's co-writing credits include *Crack Diary*, *Peacocks* and *Band-aids*, *The Nightingale* and *Gandhi High*.

ABOUT THE PRODUCER

Doris Rajan is a producer, actor, writer, and emerging filmmaker. She has enjoyed her productions of her one-woman play *Doris Does Damage*, later made for television live at Second City. In film she has worked as the Creative Consultant for *This Beggar's Description* and her short film *Healing Rani* screened at the New York International Independent Film Festival in July 2007. In 2007 Doris was selected as one of ReelWorld Film Festival's Emerging 20. She is currently developing a sitcom called *Maharani on the Beach*.

Executive Producer, Writer, and Director:
PIERRE TÉTRAULT

Producer and Writer: **DORIS RAJAN**

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Editor: **KUNAL GAUBA, SOHAN LALL MEDIA**

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Featuring the Music of **ANDREA KOZIOL**

Narrated by **JOE CLAYTON**

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