



24-YEAR-OLD DOCUMENTARY FILMMAKER CARMEN VINCENT WINS 2023 CHICAGO/MIDWEST EMMY AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT FOR DIVERSITY/EQUITY/INCLUSION CONTENT WITH FILM 'TEACHER OF PATIENCE

Logline: Over 20 years after Emily Felter is diagnosed with Down syndrome, paramedic (and Emily's father) Tom develops a presentation to share her story with other first responders. As the Felters work to raise disability awareness, they come face-to-face with the struggles and joys of their daily lives.

Carmen Vincent is continuing the film's impact campaign to educate first responders about how to interact with individuals with disabilities ahead of the film's public release in 2024.

Chicago, IL (11/13/2023) – Northwest-Indiana-based filmmaker Carmen Vincent has won a 2023 Chicago/Midwest Emmy Award for Outstanding Achievement for Diversity/Equity/Inclusion Content for her 30-minute documentary [Teacher of Patience](#). Vincent won in this competitive category over large production networks, including the Chicago Blackhawks, PBS Wisconsin, Comcast, WTTW, and the Chicago White Sox. At just 24-years-old, Chesterton resident and Valparaiso University alum Carmen Vincent is proud to represent Hoosiers with this prestigious award.

Teacher of Patience follows a small-town Indiana family's efforts to raise disability awareness among first responders and the general public, teaching others how to interact with individuals with Down Syndrome and other disabilities through a presentation called [The Emily Talk](#).

The film accompanies father and paramedic Tom, wife and labor and delivery nurse Tina, and daughter who has Down syndrome Emily Felter as they use learned life lessons as a tool for teaching others about living with disabilities. As a short documentary, its goal is to facilitate an understanding of how to best respect and interact with those who communicate in all types of ways while highlighting the story of a family who advocates for that in their own community.

"I was inspired to tell this story because we don't often see on screen what it looks like to be a small-town advocate," said director [Carmen Vincent](#). "Disability education for our first responders is vital, but lacking, and the Felter's are doing all they can to fulfill that need. Being a Chicago/Midwest Emmy-Award-winner is a huge deal for us as it gives big-industry visibility to a local Hoosier family of advocates. As a disabled filmmaker from Indiana, having this kind of platform to share the Felters' story means the world."

Teacher of Patience is available for educational, institutional, and community screenings via GOOD DOCS. Learn more and book a screening today at www.teacherofpatience.com/screen.

The film is expected to be available to the wider public soon. Sign up for the film's newsletter at www.teacherofpatience.com to be the first to know when it goes live.

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<https://www.teacherofpatience.com/>

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About Carmen Vincent

Through video production, editing, and documentary filmmaking, Carmen Vincent amplifies the human experience by drawing out people's authentic, diverse stories.

While Midwestern through-and-through, Carmen has worked with clients and told stories from across the country and in the United Kingdom and Palestine.

She uses her experience with non-visible disabilities, including OCD and ADHD, to pursue her work with creativity, empathy, and curiosity.

Vincent is a Nikon Storytellers Scholar, a proud selected participant of RespectAbility's Lab for Entertainment Professionals with Disabilities, and a Chicago/Midwest Emmy-Award-Winning producer.

Learn more at www.carmenvincent.com.

About Chicago Emmys

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The chapter's Officers, Board of Governors, and committee chairs are industry professionals from our region who volunteer their time. There are several different committees that are always in need of talented and energetic people.

The chapter was founded in 1958 after an expansion call by then National President, Ed Sullivan. They are one of the largest and most senior local chapters in the country, with a proud history of innovation and excellence in the field of broadcast television and beyond. The chapter produces the Chicago/Midwest Regional Emmy® Awards. The Awards are presented annually for outstanding achievements in regional broadcasting.

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