



Changing the Culture of Dementia Care Through the Arts

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“An Allergic Reaction to the Other”

The Dementia Context



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THE GLOBE AND MAIL

CANADA'S NATIONAL NEWSPAPER



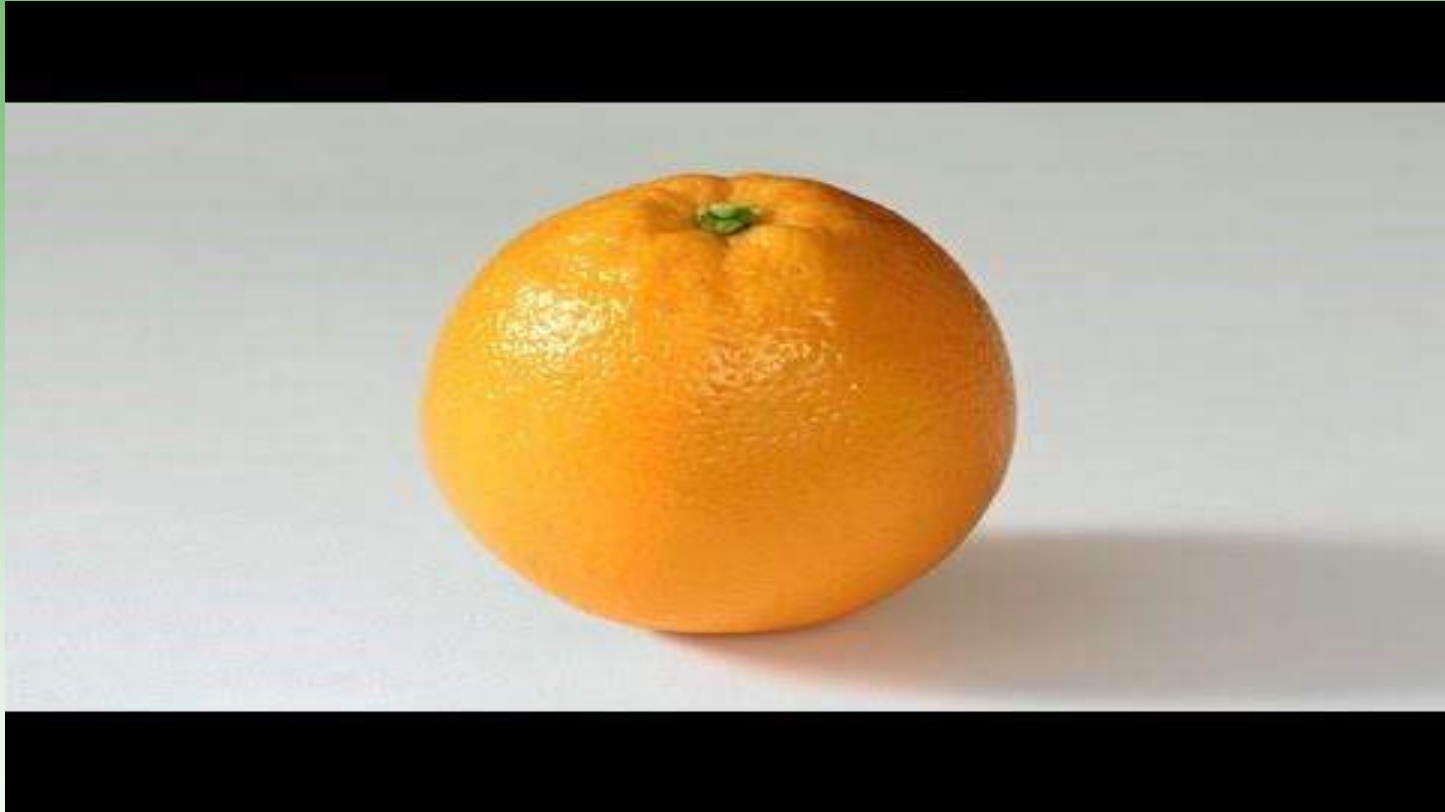
MEDICAL RESEARCH » THE TRAGIC LINK BETWEEN DOWN SYNDROME AND ALZHEIMER'S



Down sufferer Laurie Scott gets a hug at group home in London, Ont. The 55-year-old's generation is the first to have lived so long, but lost so much. KEVIN VAN PAASSEN/THE GLOBE AND MAIL

Doomed from birth to death

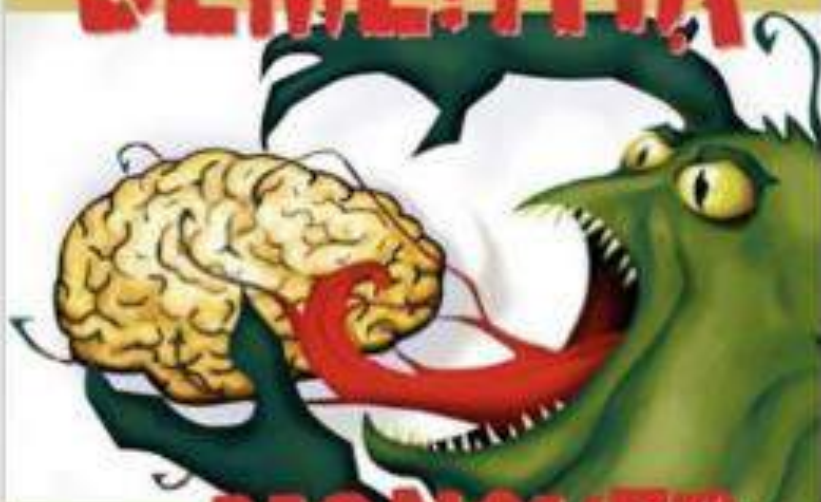
Laurie Scott used to love travelling, singing and all things Scottish. Now she hates leaving home and spends most of her day asleep or walking in circles. Born with Down syndrome, she is dying slowly from Alzheimer's disease. The culprit appears to be the extra chromosome that shaped her brain and body in the womb. As **Anne McIlroy** reports, more than three-quarters of people who reach their 60s with this developmental disorder will also be afflicted with dementia. **PAGE A8** ➤



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Offering Understanding and Encouragement for Caregivers

DEMENTIA



THE MONSTER WITHIN

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Mental health

The Observer

Dementia is a living death for 700,000 Britons. That figure is rising sharply. Can we cope?

Dementia costs the UK £14bn a year, more than cancer, heart disease and strokes combined, and as our population ages the number of sufferers will rise. But there are constant complaints of long delays in diagnosis and a lack of proper treatment. Amelia Hill reports on an illness that ruins lives and puts a terrible burden on family and carers

*A loving couple
finds triumph in a
battle they know
they cannot win...*



JOANNE WOODWARD RICHARD KILEY

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— 2 HOUR MOVIE SPECIAL —

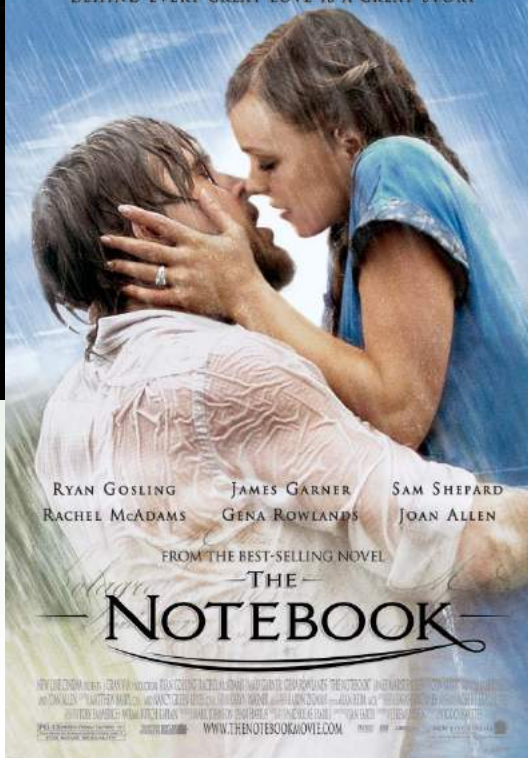
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BEHIND EVERY GREAT LOVE IS A GREAT STORY



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THE LONG GOOD-BYE

the BURDEN of care

THE 36 HOUR DAY

Subsumed

loss

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A never ending funeral

trapped

Hopeless

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Consequences of the Tragedy Discourse

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- Persons are silenced – attempts to communicate with the person stop
- Remaining abilities are not seen/overlooked

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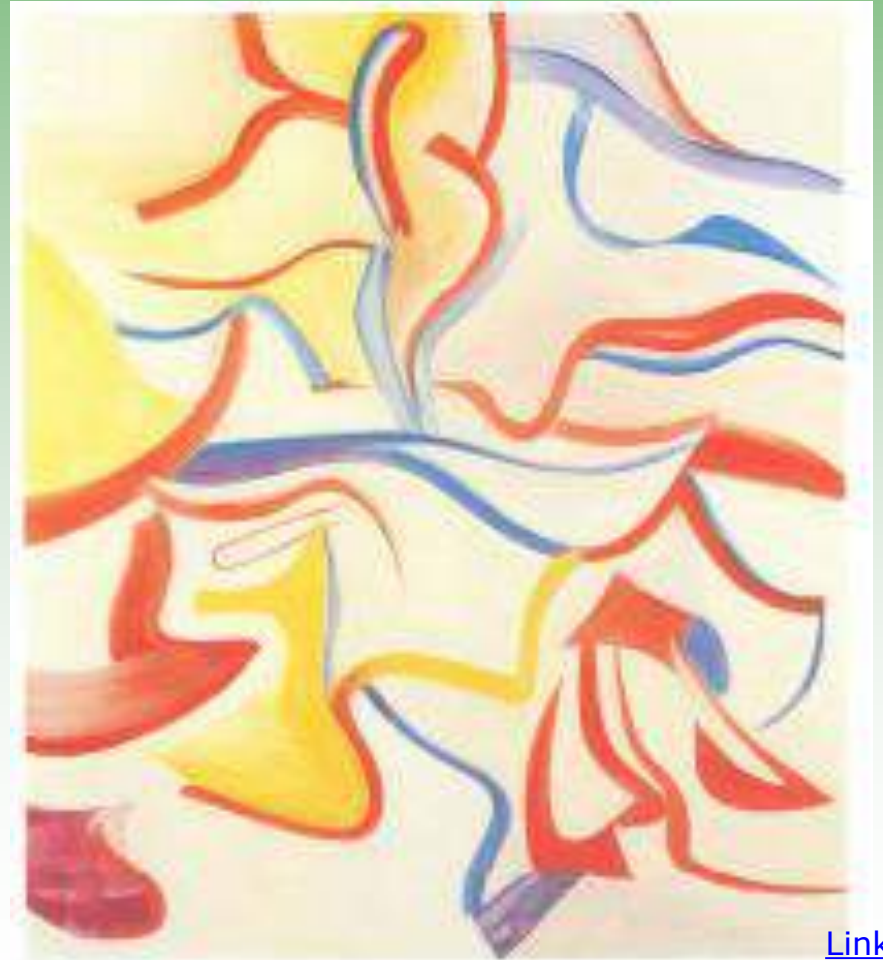
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- Persons are treated like a child/overprotected
- All behaviours are viewed as symptoms of the disease
- Persons and their actions are labeled, categorised and judged

Public Use of Whiteboards

Rectangular Snip

RESIDENT	BEHAVIOUR(S)	TRIGGERS	IMPLEMENTATION(S)	CURRENT SHIFT STATUS	MEDICAL	RISK
H.P 1078 DR BSA	→ WANDERING → COLLECTING ITEMS/PROJECTS	→ 1st floor → 2nd floor	• SET UP CLOTHING • HANGING TOWELS • Mopping • Encourage type activities			
J.A RM 0105 DR MIAH	→ Sexually inappropriate behaviours & Staff & residents → Suspicious of others and professionals	Recent issues → In environment Loss of independence	Set drinking time Say hello when walking by → 1st floor → 2nd floor → 3rd floor → 4th floor → 5th floor → 6th floor → 7th floor → 8th floor → 9th floor → 10th floor → 11th floor → 12th floor → 13th floor → 14th floor → 15th floor → 16th floor → 17th floor → 18th floor → 19th floor → 20th floor → 21st floor → 22nd floor → 23rd floor → 24th floor → 25th floor → 26th floor → 27th floor → 28th floor → 29th floor → 30th floor → 31st floor → 32nd floor → 33rd floor → 34th floor → 35th floor → 36th floor → 37th floor → 38th floor → 39th floor → 40th floor → 41st floor → 42nd floor → 43rd floor → 44th floor → 45th floor → 46th floor → 47th floor → 48th floor → 49th floor → 50th floor → 51st floor → 52nd floor → 53rd floor → 54th floor → 55th floor → 56th floor → 57th floor → 58th floor → 59th floor → 60th floor → 61st floor → 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That's such an important thing, for people to realize that lots of times you know how we've always been labeled as being violent or reacting inappropriately, but if people were to think deeper than that, and see deeper than that, lots of times we're reacting to something, there's a trigger...Because they often joke about, I'm going to be labeled as sexually inappropriate when I get into long-term care because I can't stand the heat and they're all so warm, I'm going to be in there and my children already know I'm going to remove my clothing because I'm hot. And I will be labeled as sexually inappropriate, but it will be the heat.

Partner with Dementia

Consequences of the Tragedy Discourse

- Force used to control “undesirable behaviours”
- Clinical interventions and treatments the focus
- Life long and valued activities become therapy
- Boundaries in relationships established and become the focus
- Persons are treated as objects
- Persons choices not respected
- Diagnosis not disclosed to person
- Suicide seen as the only option

When you change the way
you look at things the things
you look at change.





<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FLcoDMbY-Q8>



Emerging Colour

Dark days and tunnels
Plunging through darkness and loss
Emerging colour



Dancing with Dementia

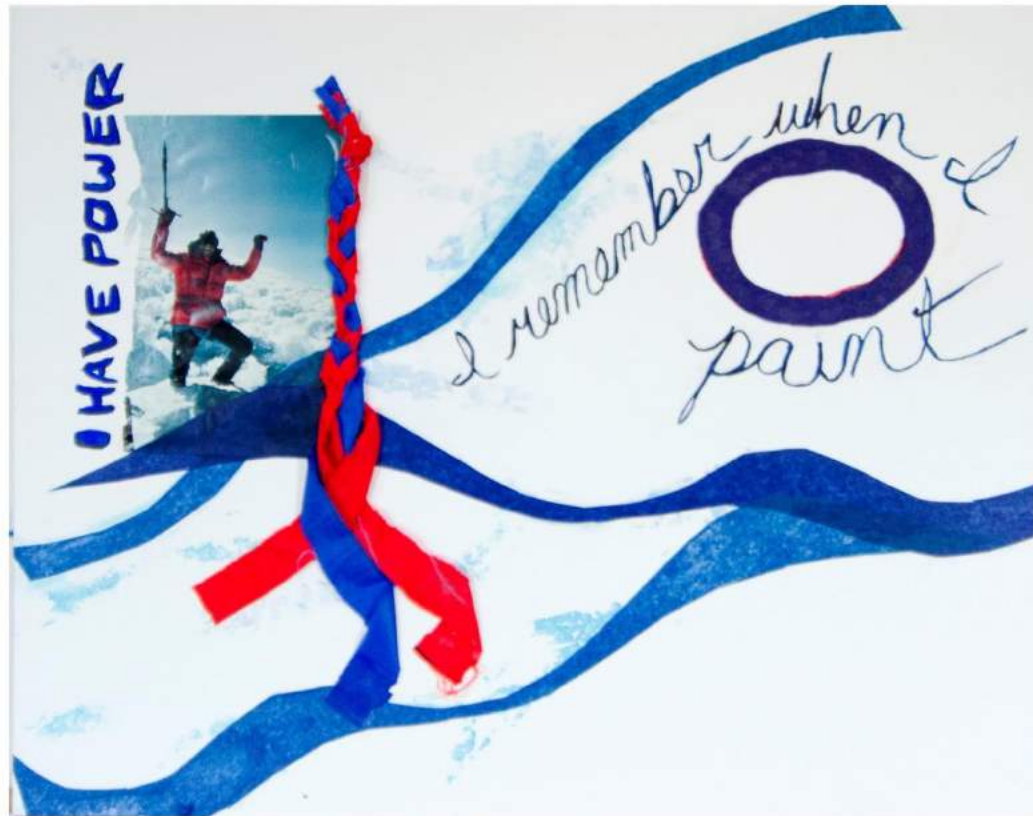
Dancing with dementia
Embrace, enjoyment, thriving
Flow, wind and movement





I'm Still Me

Light shines through darkness
Hope shines through activism
Accept—I'm still me



Remembering Me

Circling strengths and braids
Power for persisting climbs
Remembering me



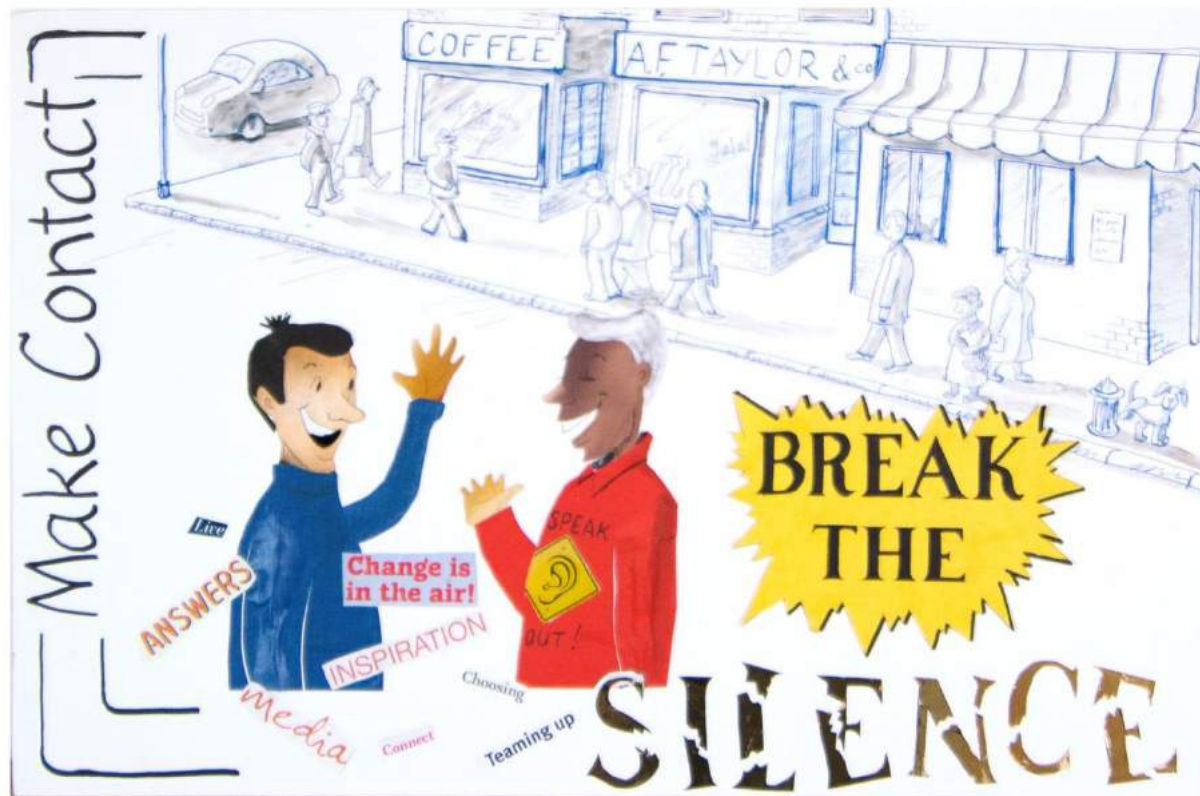
He shoots, He scores!

He shoots and he scores
Breaking away from stigma
Engaged—enabled!



Do It and It Will Be Good

Live an active life
Do it and it will be good
Light, life, warmth and love



Make Contact

Now making contact
Face to face breaking silence
Smiling be present



Opening UP to Possibilities

Surrounded by love
Possibilities beacon
My life is transformed

Possibilities...

open up our frame of reference to:

what might be possible

the potential

the promise

the capabilities

hope

Research-Based Drama



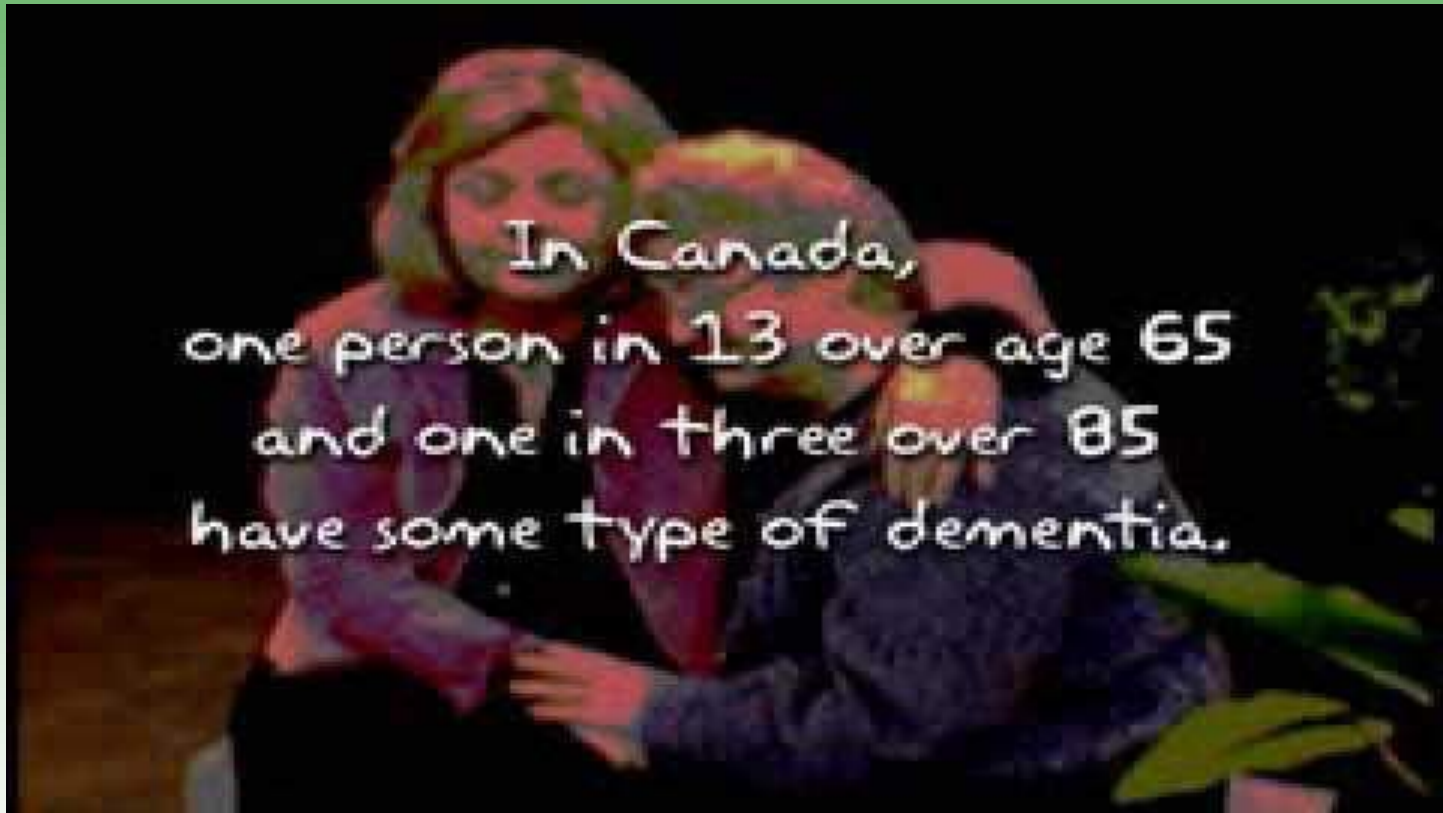
I'm Still Here

Cracked:
new light on dementia





<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v-hS2CnCmjs>



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hZnLy4RJKfo>

The Experience of Engaging with Research-Based Drama

Seeing
Anew



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Connecting with
Reverberating
Truths

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Placing and
Relating
Self



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Sensing
Embodied
Impact

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Discerning
Meaningful
Learning and
New Ways of
Being



Implications of a Possibilities Discourse

- feel respected, valued and understood;
- be given meaningful choices, be actively involved in decision-making, and have their choices respected;
- feel empowered and enabled no matter where they were in the disease trajectory
- be seen as having a future and supported in continuing to thrive and in living life to the fullest until death;
- have their bodies, minds and spirits nurtured;
- remain engaged in strong interdependent, compassionate relationships and in their communities or environments as full citizens; and
- would see a life worth living

UNATTRACTIVE OLD FEEBLE UNSURE
CROTCHETY MEDICATED FALLS CONFUSED
AILING LONELY DECREPIT FORGETFUL
NURSING HOME CRANKY INVISIBLE
STIFF GRUMPY WEAK WORTHLESS
BORING ALONE LIFELESS WRINKLED
GERIATRIC UGLY DEPRESSED
SENILE FRAIL AGING ELDERLY

<https://vimeo.com/122485132>

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