ReelAbilities Film Festival: New York

Visual Story
I am going to the Marlene Meyerson JCC for the ReelAbilities Film Festival!

I should plan to arrive at least 20 minutes before the film start time.

All film screenings will take place at the L2 level of the JCC building.

I will wear a mask during the event.
The Marlene Meyerson JCC is on 334 Amsterdam Ave at West 76th St, New York, NY 10023

I will find a large, gray building with a glass window that says “Marlene Meyerson JCC Manhattan.”
When I go into the building, security will ask me to do some things for their security check.

There will be a metal detector. Security will most likely ask me to go through the metal detector. First, I will remove anything from my pockets and bags that might make the metal detector go off. Then I will walk through the metal detector.
I will also show security my ID and proof of vaccination. I can show proof of vaccination with a vaccination card, picture of a vaccination card, or an Excelsior pass.

There will be a greeter who will say hello to me as I head to the lobby.
There are elevators at the end of the lobby. I will use an elevator to go to the auditorium.

The last elevator on the right goes to daycare. I will not use this elevator to go to the auditorium.

I will press the down button to get to L2. When I am inside the elevator, I will press L2 to go to the auditorium.
Behind the elevators, there are doors leading to stairways to the left. I can use the door on the left to go down to the auditorium. The floor of the auditorium is L2.
Near the entrance to the auditorium, there will be a ticket taker.

I will have a ticket with a QR code. I can print out the ticket before going to the JCC or show the QR code in my email. The ticket taker will scan the QR code. I can also give the ticket taker my name.

There will also be an access desk. There will be personal listening devices, braille materials, headphones, fidgets. I can ask the person at the access desk for one or more of these items. I will return the items after the film.
Now I can go to the auditorium. If I have a wheelchair, I can sit with my wheelchair in the front row.
There are bathrooms on L2. The men’s bathroom is to the left of the elevators and the women’s bathroom is to the right of the elevators. I will choose the bathroom that expresses my gender identity.

There is also a bathroom in the lobby.
The Sensory Friendly Room will be open when the film begins. I can also go to the Sensory Friendly Room in the L2 Multimedia Room if I need to take a break during the film.
Before the film begins, someone will give a short introduction welcoming everyone in the theater. They will let us know about the film and about the space.

If it is too loud, I can wear my headphones. I can also play with my fidgets if I feel overwhelmed or want something to stim with.
After the film, there will be a Q+A with a producer, director, and/or actor. Audiences can ask questions about the film and how the film was made.

There will be a person with a microphone for people who ask questions. If I have a question, I can raise my hand so the person with the microphone can go to me. I can also write a note and raise my hand for the person holding the microphone to read.