

The web site, [www.fierceloveparents.com](http://www.fierceloveparents.com), for our new documentary, **FIERCE LOVE and ART**, has numerous examples of the artists' work and clips from the forthcoming film.

In March 2017, the cinematographer, Ron Zimmerman and I traveled to New York to film Ping Lian, artist from Australia, his mother Sarah, Tony DeBlois, savant musician, his mother Janice, and Dr. Rosa Martinez, founder of **STROKES OF GENIUS**. Then in the summer, we made a 3600 + mile film trip where we went to Kansas, Wisconsin, and Michigan. We filmed Erik Warren and his parents in Kansas; Dr. Darold Treffert of the Treffert Savant Institute in Wisconsin; and Ron Sandison, author of **A PARENT'S GUIDE TO AUTISM** and his parents in Michigan. A description of the savant artists with autism and the savant musician with autism is found in **SEVEN SAVANT ARTISTS, A SAVANT MUSICIAN, AN AUTHOR/MINISTER, AND A PRODIGY: SEEING BENEATH AND BEYOND**. Each of their web sites will show more of their work. Grant Manier's mother, Julie, has just written a children's book, **GRANT, THE JIGSAW GIRAFFE**, that Grant illustrated with his art. Check out his web site at [www.jigsawgrant.com](http://www.jigsawgrant.com). It is amazing art, and it's all made out of cut or torn pieces of paper, no paint.

In early September we then went to Cleveland, OHIO, to film Seth & Debra Chwast. Their story is found in the book, **AN UNEXPECTED LIFE: A Mother and Son's Story of LOVE, DETERMINATION, AUTISM, and ART**.

**Please feel free to share any of this information with any parents, grandparents, or teachers who have or work with children with autism. Also available is a list of books and films on autism and education.**

Here is the invitation we are sending around the world.

**Please check out our web site, and if you like it, tell all your friends and invite them to support this new adventure.**

**We plan to have the World Premiere Sunday, May 13, 2018, 7:00 PM in Austin.**

**Ticket prices: Children (any number) in Family with Parents \$50; Individual \$35; Senior \$25; VIP \$100**

We have hours of incredible footage that we will fine tune to show **the passionate, persistent, fierce love that these parents used along with art to bring their often silent children home from "solitary confinement on Autism Island."**

**My dream to have the World Premiere of FIERCE LOVE and ART here in Austin will be preceded by art exhibitions in Austin. The first exhibition will begin Sunday, February 25<sup>th</sup> until April 7<sup>th</sup> at Hyde Park Bar & Grill. Over 30 of the artists' work who will be featured in FIERCE LOVE and ART will be shown. There will also be a reception Monday, February 26<sup>th</sup> and Monday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> 5 to 7 PM. Please plan to see this amazing art.**

**It's a big dream, and it is going to happen! We would welcome you participation and support.**

**Laurence and Ron**

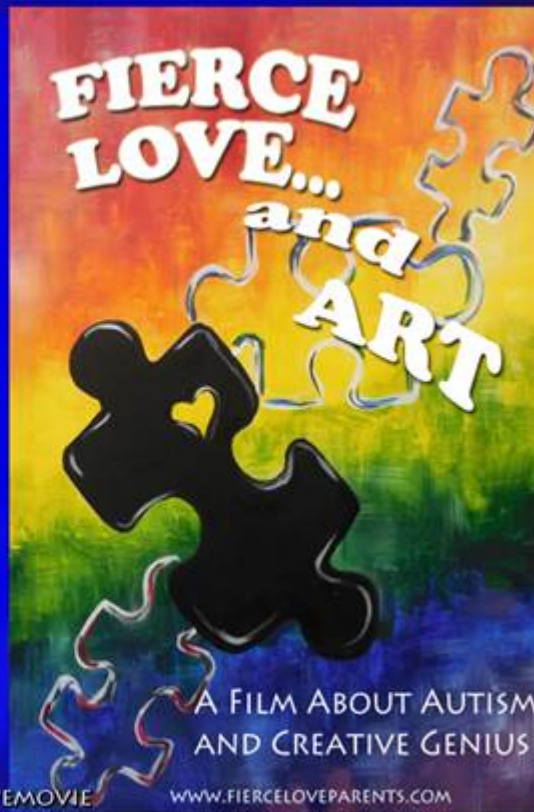
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AN INVITATION TO YOU FROM DR. LAURENCE A. BECKER and RON ZIMMERMAN, CINEMATOGRAPHER  
Launch of the web site: [www.fierceloveparents.com](http://www.fierceloveparents.com) and the documentary film, **FIERCE LOVE and ART**.

Dr. Laurence A. Becker, Producer and Ron Zimmerman, award winning Cinematographer and director are joining once again (their first film, **WITH EYES WIDE OPEN**, received 3 International and 4 National film awards in 1983) and are looking forward to sharing the adventures of several savant artists, a savant musician, an author/minister all with autism, and their parents through viewing glimpses of the stories of the their transformation through art in the new documentary film, **FIERCE LOVE and ART**.

After you have visited the web site, we would urge you to share with all your friends the journey you have seen by inviting them to become donor/investors. We promise to delight and amaze you as you join with us as we tell these stories of fierce love, persistent courage, and determination on the part of the parents as they use art to transform their children and enable them to demonstrate their creativity and wisdom.

If you become a donor/investor in the production of this ground breaking film, we will give you at any level from \$5 to \$10,000 a gift, or several, in thanks for your help. Each gift after the \$50 level includes all the previous gifts: film poster, DVD's, prints of the art work, tickets to the World Premiere, a special dinner after the World Premiere with the artists and film producers, and an original piece of art by one of the artists. There is something special for everyone who joins us in this journey at whatever level you choose. We would love to welcome you aboard.

If you wish to support us in finishing and launching the film, please go to PayPal and donate to our account: [fierceloveandart@aol.com](mailto:fierceloveandart@aol.com).

Laurence A. Becker, PhD, Producer of **WITH EYES WIDE OPEN** and **FIERCE LOVE and ART**  
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