

## DLI Productions

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**Subject:** Letter

Dear Randy,

I just want to let you know that I have seen the film and I think it's great because it shows a part of the reality of mental illness. I feel that the film shows that the characters are all struggling to make things better--whether it's their own medications or their relationships with family members. By the end of the film each character has achieved a lot of success.

As we see in the film, a lot of the public still doesn't understand mental illness. That's why what you're doing is so important. You are educating people about an illness--from its effects, to the medical system's difficulty in treating it, to the families' support and love. People who see the film will be better informed and will be more likely to allow group homes to open in their neighbourhoods.

I think you showed a lot of courage in agreeing to be filmed. Your story shows how medications are always trial and error. You showed a lot of courage to try different medications. But you also showed a lot of courage in sticking with the one that worked best for you. Your story will break a lot of negative stereotypes about mental illness. But you also teach all of us that we should never give up. I think the film will help a lot of people.

Sincerely Yours,

Craig Segal, filmmaker and journalist

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