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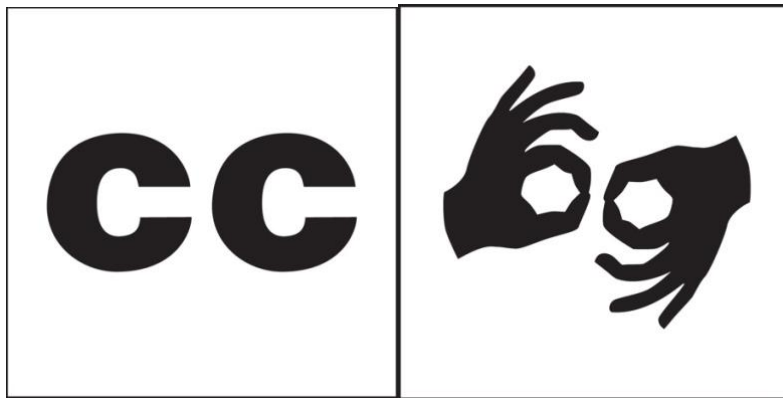
## Meaningful Collaboration with the Disability Community

 Cultural Access  
Collaborative

Feb. 9  
Noon CT  
Zoom

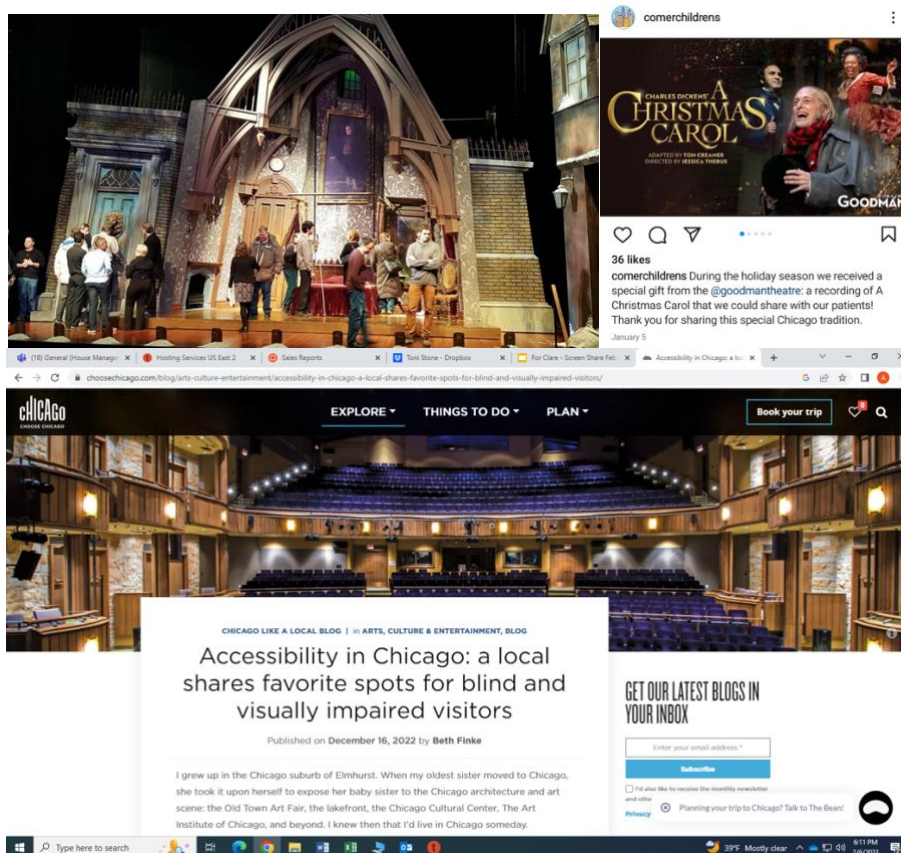
# Access Notes

- Real-Time Captioning
  - includes Streamtext link
- ASL Interpretation
- Q&A feature to submit questions
- Chat to alert us to access issues



# Informal Evaluations

- Being onsite
- Asking for feedback
- Attending community events
- Adjusting on the fly



# Formal Surveys



- Alternative formats
- Voluntary responses
- Inclusive language
- Ethical practices

# Boards and Buy-in

- Why an Advisory Board?
- Who are the decision makers?
- People with disabilities WANT access!
- Celebrate Success (even if small)



# Working with a Consultant

- From the Consultant's POV
  - Better experience the earlier you're brought in
  - Pay consultants
  - Avoid tokenism
- From the Institution's POV
  - Build a relationship
  - Make use of them throughout the process



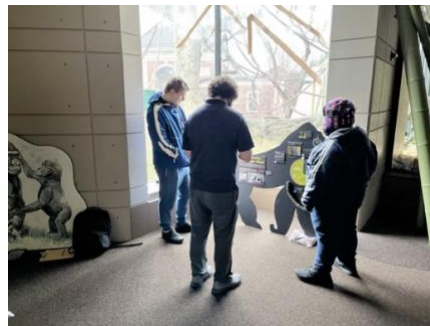
# Ongoing Relationships



- Multiple programs with partners
  - Learning opportunity
  - Customize programs
  - Have fun!
- Growing organically
  - Make connections
  - Start where you are
  - Refine and revise
  - Repeat!

# Co-Creation

- Input sessions & focus groups
  - Model accessibility
  - Have questions
  - Encourage tangents
  - Voluntary participation
  - Allow for follow-up
  - Do your *own* focus group
- Partnerships
  - Pay \$
  - Memorandum of Understanding



# Join Our Steering Committee!

- 2 year term (2023-2025)
- Recruiting across Illinois
- Posting an open call soon
- Questions? [info@culturalaccesscollab.org](mailto:info@culturalaccesscollab.org)

