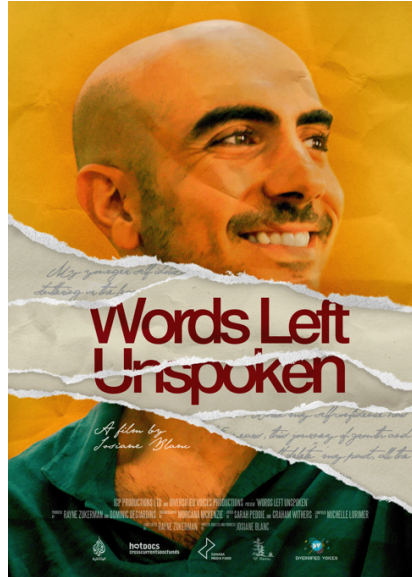


Josiane Blanc's **WORDS LEFT UNSPOKEN**, the story of international public speaker Joze Piranian, World Premiere's at Reelworld Film Festival

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Toronto, October 1st, 2024 - *IGP Productions* and *Diversified Voices Productions* are proud to present **Words Left Unspoken**, Josiane Blanc's first medium-length documentary, produced by Rayne Zukerman, Dominic Desjardins and Josiane Blanc. Eligible for the Outstanding Feature Film Competition, the documentary will have its World Premiere at the 24th edition of the **Reelworld Film Festival** on **Saturday, October 26th, 2024, at 11 a.m.** at the Paradise Theater in the presence of the filmmaker, main protagonist and crew.

Words Left Unspoken is a captivating documentary telling the life story of international public speaker and stand-up comedian [Joze Piranian](#), who spent the first 20 years of his life avoiding speaking at all costs. We follow his reckoning with his severe stutter and journey of self-love.

From sharing his personal struggles on stage in front of a room of complete strangers to becoming a keynote speaker on resilience and inclusion, we immerse ourselves into a mesmerizing & unique quest of healing trauma & overcoming adversity. Joze travels back to his home country, Lebanon, to make peace with his past and have the conversations he never dared to have before with his family.

The film addresses a variety of significant topics such as navigating the world with an invisible disability, discrimination, men's mental health & complex familial relationships.

Josiane Blanc, Rayne Zukerman & Dominic Desjardins are eager to premiere this touching & powerful story of resilience with the world for the first time during the week of [International Stuttering Awareness Day](#). We hope this story will be a source of inspiration for the community of people living with a stutter – but also their families, colleagues and friends. Approximately, 75 million people are living with a stutter around the world.

Distributed by Filmoption International, *Words Left Unspoken* will be broadcasted & available for streaming all across Canada on CBC GEM and AMI in November 2024.

Words Left Unspoken was produced with the financial participation of the Canada Media Fund, IGP Productions Ltd, Hot Docs Cross Current Fund, Al Jazeera & Doc Channel.

About the director/producer - [Josiane Blanc](#)

Josiane is a Film & TV writer, director, producer, whose creative work often speaks on everything related to social justice. Name as one of Playback's Magazine 10 talent to watch, in the past 5 years Josiane had the pleasure of writing & directing a variety of projects including her documentaries TALES OF ORDINARY FATPHOBIA, LOUD & HERE and WORDS LEFT UNSPOKEN as well as 2 seasons of her debut short-form scripted series AINSI VA MANU/HOGTOWN. Josiane's creative work received more than 50 nominations & won 20 awards in national and international festivals, including best film, best screenplay & 5 times best director.

About the producer/story editor- Rayne Zukerman

RAYNE ZUKERMAN is a lawyer by training but has embraced the woo of the creative process. At IGP, Rayne has produced the scripted prime-time dramas STREET LEGAL, REMEDY AND KING. As co-founder of the francophone production company Zazie Films, Rayne created and produced two seasons of the comedy series PARIS PARIS, the documentary film HYMNE MIGRATOIRE and feature LE DIVAN DU MONDE, amongst others. Consistently drawn to innovative narratives with a strong point of view, Rayne works with the most talented and original voices this country has to offer and helps steward the projects from inception to completion.

WORDS LEFT UNSPOKEN

Documentary. Canada. 2024. 52 minutes. In the original English version.

SCREENING AT REELWORLD FILM FESTIVAL (24th edition - October 21st to 27th 2024)

Saturday October 26th at 11am | [Paradise Theatre](#), Toronto

In the presence of director Josiane Blanc, Joze Piranian, producer Rayne Zukerman and several members of the crew.

Information and Tickets: <https://www.reelworld.ca/event-details/2024-reelworld-festival-words-left-unspoken>

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