

## Biography of Producer(s)

Paul Daniel has been at Accessible Media Inc., (AMI) for more than 15 years when it was originally known as *VoicePrint*. He has been Executive Producer for *Contact* since it first premiered in January 2005. He is a graduate of Ryerson University with a BA in Newspaper Journalism.

Joe Lamanna has been in broadcasting for 28 years, working at CHUM radio for 15 years in their production department. He has been with AMI for 10 years, as programming manager for AMI-audio, overseeing production, imaging and voicing of original and print content.

Michael Iantorno is a versatile content creator with roots in audio production, copywriting, and new media. He currently co-produces *Say What?!*, *Contact*, *Choice Words*, and *Blindsighted* for AMI-audio. In addition to his work with AMI, Michael has applied his skills to short films, websites, music albums, art projects, and video games.

## Description of Program (The Green Economy on Contact) April 22, 2012

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*Contact* is a weekly-interview program heard regularly on Sunday evenings. Since it premiered on AMI-audio in January 2005, *Contact* has become a syndicated program (heard on *Groundwire*) covering issues related to disability, poverty, general current affairs and the environment.

One of the goals of AMI-audio, through *Contact* and other programs, is to go deep into the heart of a story asking questions that haven't already been asked.

At one time, sexuality and disability would have been considered contradictory concepts. So pervasive was the social preconception that people with disabilities were second-class citizens, it was almost natural to regard them as asexual beings.

We present an interview with Becky Adams, a former sex worker, announced her intention to open the first-ever accessible brothel exclusively for clients with disabilities. She believes that "everyone deserves to experience and enjoy sexual contact." She was interviewed by AMI's Marjorie Nicolaou.

In the second half, AMI's Jason Vermes interviewed disability consultant Fran Odette on the changing societal attitudes on disability and sexuality.