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Newsletter From The Mixed-Up Files of author A.C. LeMieux

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CELEBRATE WSA CONVENTION 2026!!

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A JAMBOREE OF JOY IN BUFFALO, NY!!

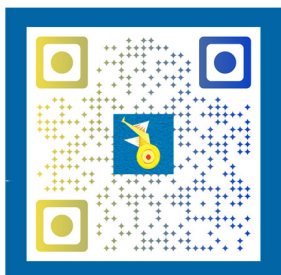
Dear People,

I am so excited to be attending this uniquely joyful event, when Williams syndrome-connected folks from all over the globe gather together! 46 years ago, astronomer Carl Sagan wrote in his book COSMOS that books bind people together: "Speaking clearly... inside your head, directly to you... binding together people who never knew one another...proof that humans can work magic." I hope that Daniel's story, told in his own unique voice, speaks to you, and that you have a magical summer that includes some great books!

A.C. LeMieux (a.k.a. Brendan's Mom)



On the road with The Starry-Eyed Podcast's
Brendan, A.C. LeMieux, &
Brendan's niece, Nella, URI senior &
Comm/Writing major, promoting
Williams Syndrome Awareness at
Wicked Tulips Farm in Rhode Island!
VIEW ON YOUTUBE!



ASK THE AUTHOR

by Nella LeMieux

Nella: When I first read your book, I really loved listening to Daniel's inner monologue and seeing how someone with Williams syndrome experiences life compared to how I do. How did you develop him as a character?

A.C.: That's an excellent question and a complex one from a writing standpoint. I originally started out as a children's book author and I published eleven books back in the 1990s. But when Brendan got diagnosed, that's when I turned my attention to Williams syndrome.

I had already been working on a book that included a sister and a young brother. That's really where the seed of Daniel's character came from. That story went through many different versions over the years the next 25 years, I kept rewriting it and with each draft, there would be little nuggets that felt right—felt like part of the DNA of the book. That's when I really started focusing on Daniel's story and his character and voice came alive for me.

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