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World Trade Center survivor

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Diversity and Adversity: The Misunderstanding and the Challenge



When the World Trade Center was attacked on 9-11, it was as though the world stood still. It was a day that captured our full attention. Michael Hingson and his Guide Dog Roselle were on the 78th floor of Tower One that day, and were able to make their way to safety and survive the attack. The duo was immediately thrust into the international spotlight, becoming well-known representatives of the strength of the human/animal bond and a living example of the powerful partnership that exists between a blind person and their Guide Dog. Michael uses humor interlaced with his own life experiences as a blind person living in a “sighted world” to help us reexamine our own views of diversity and what it really means to be different.



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