

Stephen Gilson Introduction

Ladies and gentlemen, it is now my privilege to introduce you to a man fighting for the disabled and making the world accessible for all...

He is an acclaimed academic, who is a professor of Interdisciplinary Disability Studies at the University of Maine and a Senior Research Fellow at Ono Academic College in Kiryat Ono, Israel...

He is a passionate activist, who is co-founder and president of the Evaluation Practice Group, a non-profit that focuses on the development and funding of projects to advance human rights and equality of opportunity...

And he is a renowned expert on disability, who received the American Public Health Association's Allan Meyers Award for Scholarship in Disability, and has published dozens of academic papers and books on the topic, including *Rethinking Disability* and *Disability as Disjuncture*.

Ladies and gentlemen please welcome acclaimed and dynamic professor Stephen Gilson.