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Show Notes: **"Queer & Cripple," featuring Andrew Gurza**

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Meet Andrew Gurza, self-described "disabled man" and "queer cripple." Andrew shares his experiences interacting with healthcare professionals around issues related to mobility, autonomy, and sexuality. He talks about what it feels like to be moved without his consent and treated by healthcare professionals in ways that distance him from his body, pleasure, and human connection. We explore the idea that persons with disabilities *aren't* like everyone else and the power that he feels reclaiming words like "queer" and "cripple." Finally, we discuss his recent musings on Twitter and Facebook about possibly doing porn and the reactions he's received from friends who worry about that "fetishizing" his disability. You can follow Andrew on Twitter at [@andrewgurza](https://twitter.com/andrewgurza).

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Guest Bio: Andrew Gurza

"Andrew Gurza is a Disability Awareness Consultant and Cripple Content Creator. In his work, he seeks to explore how the lived



experience of disability *feels*, as it interplays with intersectional communities. By using hashtags like #diSAYbled, #DisabilityAfterDark, #BearinAChair and #KissAQueerCripple Andrew shares his lived experiences of disability, queerness, sexuality and body image in a raw, vulnerable and unapologetic fashion. He has presented all across North America on sex and disability as a Queer Crippled man. His written work has been highlighted in Out Magazine, The

Advocate and Huffington Post. He hosts the [*Disability After Dark*](#) podcast, which shines a bright light on sex and disability, as well as the Disability With Drew Podcast which aims to explore the everyday issues that surround disability AND share disability experiences we don't often hear. Andrew resides in Toronto, Canada, and loves 80s/90s pop, bad Chinese take-out and Netflix marathons.”
– Photo and bio from <http://www.andrewgurza.com/about/>

Links

Listen to Andrew's podcast, Disability After Dark, on iTunes:
<https://itunes.apple.com/ca/podcast/disabilityafterdark/id1151890990?mt=2>

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