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STUTTER SOCIAL CO-FOUNDER INTERVIEWED ON CBC RADIO

(Monday, February 13, 2012 - Toronto, Canada) Stutter Social co-founder Daniele Rossi was interviewed live about stuttering and Google+ on CBC Radio One’s Here and Now Toronto show.

“It was great to be able to spread awareness of stuttering and discuss Stutter Social,” Rossi says. “The value of Stutter Social is the opportunity to connect with other stutterers from anywhere in the world.”

Rossi, a person who stutters from Toronto, is one of the co-founders of Stutter Social, a virtual support group that uses Google+ Hangouts to connect stutterers worldwide with each other.

On Wednesday’s edition of Here and Now Toronto, Rossi discussed what prompted him to establish Stutter Social with co-founder David Resnick from Los Angeles, California, and how he feels about his own stuttering.

“It can be isolating,” he tells Here and Now Toronto host Laura Di Battista. “You’re pretty much fending for yourself,” he says, adding that about one percent of people in the world stutters.

That is why self-help activities for people who stutter are beneficial in the management of stuttering, according to recent research in the Journal of Fluency Disorders.

Rossi says that, because of social media and groups such as Stutter Social, those people within that one percent now have the opportunity to find each other from anywhere in the world.

The seven-minute interview with Rossi is available from the CBC here.

About Stutter Social:

Stutter Social is a support group that connects people who stutter through Google+ Hangouts (group video chats). In the Hangouts, participants share similar stories, laugh about tense feelings, learn about speech techniques, and build self-acceptance. Its membership community is international, with participants from countries including the United States, Canada, Mexico, England, Scotland, France, Croatia, India, and New Zealand. There are four weekly Hangouts and occasional special guest Hangouts. Stutter Social also promotes awareness and understanding of stuttering to the public. For more information, please visit http://stuttersocial.com.

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