

Wild & Scenic Films Foster Environmental Action

The largest environmental film festival in North America is coming to Jackson. Please join us when we host the Wild and Scenic Environmental Film Festival Tour at the Playmill Theatre in the Pink Garter Plaza on Friday, Sept. 14, at 7 p.m. This festival brings together award-winning environmental films in a spirit of inspiration and education, and motivates viewers to go out and make a difference. Through subjects ranging from struggles for environmental justice to renewable energy to tales about endangered species, the films



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Nomads: Wandering Women of the Whitewater Tribe

Follow the travels of three whitewater kayaking women as they paddle the Zambezi and White Nile Rivers of Africa. Along the way they are unexpectedly touched by a small village in Uganda struggling with the realities of malaria and they decide to make a difference. (21 min.)

Dream People of the Amazon

In the early 1990s, the Amazonian Achuar tribe of southeastern Ecuador learned about the outside world's desire for the oil under their territory. The elders of the tribe had been having similar, telling dreams and the interpretation was stunning: if the



Achuar people were to defend themselves and the land from oil operations, they would need to seek alliances in the very world that was about to destroy them. (32 min.)

Wombat

Listen to this little wombat. He has our future in mind. (2 min.)

Wind Over Water

This documentary chronicles the debate over the Cape Wind Project, an offshore wind farm proposed for the southern coast of Cape Cod, Mass., and the first such project proposed in the U.S. (35 min.)

Ride of the Mergansers

Hooded mergansers are fish-eating ducks found only in North America. Viewers get a rare view into a family of just-hatched ducklings and their perilous leap to the water below



to begin life in the wild. A favorite of the 2005 Wild and Scenic Environmental Film Festival, this delightful film has been re-released with narration. (11 min.)

Seeds, Hope and Concrete

Arugula, squash, snap peas, all grown on concrete – is this possible? This uncommon scenario is cropping all over the US due to the efforts of Heifer International. Communities are learning sustainable agricultural solutions, even where concrete is the norm. (14 min.)

Planetary Coral Reef Foundation

Coral reefs are the most biodiverse of all marine ecosystems and the greatest expression of ocean life. But the reefs are now in crisis – dying at an alarming rate worldwide. Since its inception, the Planetary Coral Reef Foundation has pursued an unprecedented approach to the crisis, launching an innovative scientific and educational campaign worldwide. (7 min.)

Birdsong & Coffee: A Wake Up Call

What is the natural organic connection between coffee farmers, coffee drinkers, and birds? Coffee drinkers will be astonished to learn that they hold in their hands the fate of farm families, farming communities and entire ecosystems in coffee-growing regions. In this film we hear from experts and students, from coffee lovers and bird lovers, and the coffee farmers themselves. We learn how their lives and ours are inextricably linked, economically and environmentally. (56 min.)



More Alliance events...

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

Plein Air Art Class with Lucinda Abbe

September is a beautiful time to get out and paint the landscape of Jackson Hole. From 3 to 6 p.m., artist Lucinda Abbe will share one of her favorite spots and techniques for painting the Grand. The emphasis will be on oil pastels, although all artists are welcome. Supply list and location will be provided. The class is limited to 8 and costs \$25 per person, so call (307) 733-9417 to sign up soon!

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

Info Lunch: Meet our Community Planning Director

Join us for a discussion at noon in the Alliance conference room with Kristy Bruner, Community Planning Director. Kristy returned to Jackson, and the Alliance, in February after graduate work at the University of Alaska-Fairbanks in Urban Ecology/Greenways Planning. She plans to discuss the Comprehensive Plan update process as well as resort development, "Town as Heart" and transportation, and looks forward to hearing your concerns about growth in Jackson Hole.

Please visit www.jhalliance.org/events.htm for details.