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WILD & SCENIC[®] FILM FESTIVAL

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5th ANNUAL SUFFERN FILM FESTIVAL PROGRAM

Hosted by ROSA 4 Rockland

1:00 Opening Remarks

1:10 FILMS (120 Minutes)

2:30 INTERMISSION &

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2:40 MORE FILMS

3:55 CLEANUP AND LEAVE

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Thank you ROSA and Rivertown Film for bringing The Wild & Scenic Film Festival to Rockland County and inspiring each one of us to get involved in our own communities. We must all be mindful of conserving our precious water resources, promoting sustainable development, protecting our environment and our quality of life.

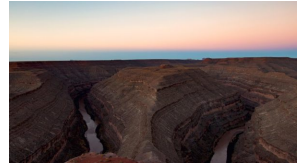
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2018 FILM CHOICES

A Letter to Congress

Chris Newman, Amani King, Dalia Burde | 2017 | 3 min.

Wallace Stegner's 1960 letter to Congress about the importance of wilderness is the framework for a new message, one in which our unified voice can help prevent the transfer of our most valuable heritage— our public lands— to private and corporate interests



Canis Lupus Colorado

Eric Bendick, Thomas Winston, Grizzly Creek Films | 2017 | 18 min.

Ghosts are stirring in Colorado's high country. These are the guardians of a delicate balance. They haunt the trees, the water, the animals – the very fabric of the land itself. Gray wolves shaped this place for eons only to disappear nearly overnight. *Canis Lupus Colorado* is the story of the past, present, and future of Colorado's now extinct native wolf population. Now we're at a tipping point: the emerging west, the future of our public wildlands, and the health of vast ecosystems are all at stake. And the choice is up to us..



STRAWS

Linda Booker | 2017 | 33 min.

Used once and tossed, billions of plastic straws wind up in landfills and streets, finding their way to oceans. Actor/Director Tim Robbins narrates the history and story of STRAWS, and marine researchers, citizen activists, and business owners discuss how it's possible to make a sea of change, one straw at a time.



Lost in Light

Sriram Murali | 2016 | 3 min.

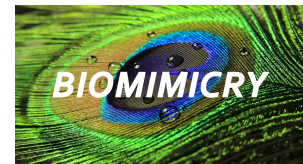
A short film on how light pollution affects the view of the night skies. Shot mostly in California, this piece shows how the night sky view gets progressively better as you move away from the lights..



Biomimicry

Janine Benyus, Leonardo DiCaprio, Oliver Stanton, Leila Conners, Tree Media | 2015 | 22 min.

Biomimicry, the practice of looking deeply into nature for solutions to engineering, design and other challenges, has inspired a film about it's ground-breaking vision for creating a long-term, sustainable world. This film covers how mimicking nature solves some of our most pressing problems, from reducing carbon emissions to saving water.



Intermission & then more films →



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...post intermission films

(unofficial) History of the National Parks

Ryan Maxey | 2016 | 4 min.

National Parks are hard.



The Mirnavator

Sarah Menzies | 2017 | 11 min.

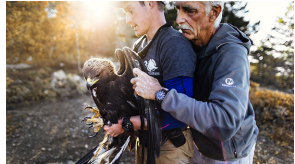
Ultra-runners overcome obstacles on every trail. While competing in her first 50K trail race of the season, Mirna Valerio must overcome the negative voices that don't believe she belongs in the sport..



Sky Migrations

Charles Post, Max Lowe, Forest Woodward | 2017 | 15 min.

Each fall, our skies fill with the wings of migrating raptors, a migration that relies on two hemispheres worth of wild and healthy ecosystems. Join ecologist and filmmaker, Charles Post, as he shines a light on the network of back country scientists and sentinels at the front lines of raptor conservation.



Wildlife and the Wall

Ben Masters, Fin & Fur Films | 2017 | 5 min.

Filmmaker Ben Masters (UNBRANDED) goes into the heart of the Big Bend, the last true wilderness in the state of Texas to consider what effects building a border wall might have on wildlife dispersal, migratory corridors, and access to the Rio Grande, the only water source in a harsh desert environment.



The Curve of Time

Jordan Manley, Mike Douglas, Switchback Entertainment | 2017 | 23 min.

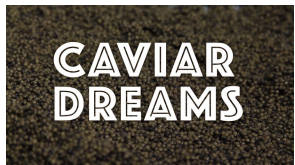
Due to climate change, ski seasons will be markedly shorter by 2050. Professional skiers Greg Hill and Chris Rubens contemplate the sobering forecast and the impact their thirst for adventure has on the very environment that sustains and fulfills them. With an eye on the clock, they launch themselves into an experiment: can they each remain committed skiers while significantly reducing their carbon footprints?



Caviar Dreams

Brian Gersten, Liv Dubendorf, Wei Ying | 2017 | 15 min.

Over the centuries caviar was strictly reserved for Russian Czars and royalty throughout the world. Nowadays it has become synonymous with wealth and indulgence. But why is that? What's so special about caviar? Caviar Dreams delves into the world of caviar and uncovers a story about over-fishing, near extinction, and a quest for sustainability.



Imagination: Tom Wallisch

Dave Mossop, Sherpas Cinema | 2017 | 5 min

We've all been that kid sitting in the back seat of our family car, wishing we were somewhere else. Through the boredom, the driveway snow piles, sidewalk handrails and stair sets start to tease our inner skier. Watch day dreams come to life as Tom Wallisch shreds the snowy streets of Nelson, British Columbia.





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