

Wild & Scenic Film Festival 2019 Film Program

Mary D. Fisher Theatre, Sedona, AZ

Thursday, April 4th, 2019

Showings at 3:00 pm & 7:00 pm

Meet The Real Wolf (2 minutes)

What happens when fairy tales and reality collide? Throughout history, myths about the "big bad wolf" have generated fear and concern that creeps out of our storybooks and into the real world. By the 1950s, wolves were pushed to the brink of extinction in the lower forty-eight and more was lost than just the wolf. Meet The Real Wolf, introduces a new chapter where the apex predator becomes the protagonist, changing the narrative of the ecosystems they are rebuilding.

WILD UTAH: America's Red Rock Wilderness (14 minutes)

This short documentary advocates for protecting more than 9 million acres of federally managed public lands as Wilderness, areas of pristine natural beauty, unique and untrammelled ecosystems, and unfathomable cultural significance. Wild Utah: America's Red Rock Wilderness takes the viewer through the varied landscape and draws upon diverse voices to tell the story of why these lands are worth protecting and what can be done to ensure these public lands are protected for generations to come.

March of the Newts (5 minutes)

Follow one of the forest's funkiest creatures into a gangly gathering of amphibious affection... and learn how you can help protect these sensitive animals from an emerging disease.

Tracking Snow (5 minutes)

Discover a novel way of studying elusive carnivores - using snow! Join scientists Jessie and Tommy as they re-purpose an old technique in a way that not only revolutionizes how we study threatened species and manage our landscapes, but also highlights the importance of collaboration in conservation.

Too Precious to Mine (10 minutes)

The Havasupai – people of the blue-green waters – have lived at the bottom of the Grand Canyon for centuries. But now, uranium mining on the canyon's rims is putting the tribe's drinking water and its way of life at risk. What would you do to protect your home from uranium contamination? "If the Supai water is contaminated, the future of my society, of my people, will disappear." – Carletta Tilousi, Havasupai Tribal Council

Greenland Melts (4 minutes)

Dr. Konrad Steffen, the Swiss climate scientist whose research propelled Al Gore's "An Inconvenient Truth" and "An Inconvenient Sequel: Truth to Power", reveals his alarming findings around glacial melt impacts on global sea level rise, climate change, and mass migration. Greenland Melts is stunningly filmed at remote polar monitoring stations where Dr. Steffen has been tracking the melting of the Greenlandic Ice Sheet for over 25 years.

Outnumbered in Africa (11 minutes)

Most people know the story of Zimbabwe's most famous lion and how he was illegally shot by an American dentist in 2015. The world reacted by donating over \$1 million, which funded cutting-edge research to better protect Cecil's pack. Few people know that some of that research was done by Moreangels Mbizah, a young Zimbabwean woman, Oxford University Ph.D. candidate, and mother. Outnumbered in Africa follows Moreangels' journey after Cecil's death, revealing a deeper story of beauty and tragedy that receives far less attention in the world of African wildlife conservation.

Rancheros del Jaguar (12 minutes)

In Sonora, Mexico, the familiar human-predator conflict story is taking a hopeful turn. With the help of an innovative group of biologists, traditional cattle ranchers are changing their relationships with the jaguars they have historically persecuted, making them the Rancheros del Jaguar.

The Trouble With Wolves (56 minutes)

Death threats, court battles, and an iconic endangered species in the middle, *The Trouble With Wolves* takes an up-close look at the most heated and controversial wildlife conservation debate of our time. The film aims to find out whether coexistence is really possible by hearing from the people directly involved.