



WILD & SCENIC[®] FILM FESTIVAL

where activism gets inspired

Resilient by Nature



Live Virtual Event

APRIL 22, 2021 - 7PM



Our Mission

Seatuck Environmental Association is dedicated to conserving Long Island wildlife and the environment. We pursue our mission by advocating for wildlife and advancing conservation projects, engaging community scientists in wildlife research, and offering high-quality education opportunities for Long Islanders of all ages.

Wildlife Conservation Work

Seatuck works across Long Island on a variety of wildlife issues, employing a multi-pronged approach to advancing conservation. We advocate for wildlife, initiate restoration projects, conduct surveys, educate public officials, host workshops, lead coalitions and pursue a host of other approaches to promote wildlife conservation and habitat restoration.

Community Science

Our research program engages hundreds of "citizen scientists" across Long Island to monitor migrating fish, search for endangered wildlife and engage in other important research efforts. It also includes Bat Map Long Island, a project to identify critical bat foraging and roosts across Long Island.

Education

Our education programs expose preschoolers, students, adults and families to the diversity, beauty, and wonders of Long Island's natural world. These authentic outdoor experiences are geared to foster a greater appreciation and understanding of Long Island wildlife and ecological systems in support of long-term conservation of the environment. We also offer training for teachers and other professionals.

About the Wild & Scenic Film Festival

Created in 2003 by California's South Yuba River Citizens League (SYRCL), the Wild & Scenic Film Festival promotes grassroots environmental activism through art and film. Each year, SYRCL curates the best in environmental documentaries, shorts, and adventure films for their flagship festival in Nevada City, California.

To share these incredible films with more people, they take the festival "On Tour," partnering to produce nearly 250 events each year, each creating unique film festivals in their own communities and using the festival to raise funds, reach new contacts, and raise awareness of local issues. Seatuck has been SYRCL's Long Island partner since 2019.

Program Details

Seatuck's 3rd Annual Wild & Scenic Film Festival:

Please follow this guide for featured films and approximate viewing times.

Waiting room opens: 6:30pm

(all may log in now)

The Show Begins!: 7:00pm

Welcome from Seaturck

Matagi Malohi: Strong Winds

The Pacific Climate Warriors, born out of the low-lying Pacific Islands, are an indigenous and youth lead movement who now have been on the front lines of climate change for decades — their rally cry is “we are not drowning, we are fighting.”

Stories from the Blue:

Ocean Guardians

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Ocean Guardian School Program provides opportunities for kids to get out in their environment to do hands-on, stewardship-based projects. Come along as we meet those who have fostered the growth of this important program and the children who are the future guardians of our planet.

Feathers in Flight: The Bird Genoscape Project – 7:20pm

Biologist Mary Whitfield has spent two decades studying one of North America's rarest birds: the Southwestern Willow Flycatcher. Not much is known about their migratory route, so Mary has joined a cutting-edge effort to gather data on birds' genomes from individual feathers, connecting breeding

and wintering populations of the same species and providing critical information to conservationists and managers. The Bird Genoscape project brings together researchers from all over the Americas in an effort to protect the birds that tie the Western Hemisphere together.

Disappearing Penguins:

A team of scientists travels to Elephant Island, a remote island off the Antarctic peninsula, to find out how its penguin population is faring. Penguins are not just charismatic animals. They are a keystone species in Antarctica and an important indicator of the health of the Antarctic ecosystem. The results from this research expedition made headlines around the world and contribute to the call for protection of Antarctica through large scale ocean sanctuaries.

Chasing Ghosts:

In their quest to identify the pollinator of the ghost orchid for the first time, a team of explorers, photographers, and filmmakers spent three summers standing waist-deep in alligator and snake-laden water, and climbing to sometimes nausea-inducing heights. They came away with a startling new discovery — and an even deeper love for Florida's wildest wetlands — revelations that may help to conserve both the endangered orchid and its shrinking home.

Program Details

INTERMISSION: 8:10pm

Strike with Us: 8:20pm

9 year old Hawkeye Huey has been hearing a lot about climate change and the climate crisis we are facing, and it's freaking him out! He - and every other child - has the right to a safe environment. This film was built to help support and drive attention to the ongoing Youth Climate Strikes happening around the world demanding action from our politicians.

Here We Stand:

For generations, conservation has been about keeping people from places. Now, Save the Redwoods League and Teresa Baker ask what it would look like for conservation to include all people, even those that normally are in the margins.

The Crown:

Hiker, veteran, and Merrell Ambassador Will "Akuna" Robinson completes the Triple Crown of Hiking: the Appalachian Trail, the Pacific Crest Trail, and the Continental Divide Trail. This film shares Robinson's thoughts on this incredible achievement that made him the first African American male on record to complete the Triple Crown of Hiking. Robinson is known within the hiking community for inspiring others to take their first step to get out on the trail and experience the power it brings.

The River Guards: 8:40pm

This short documentary tells the story of the Housatonic River in Western Massachusetts, where an environmental and health crisis has unfolded over the past 30 years. The film profiles the community of grassroots activists who have fought tirelessly against corporate negligence and government bureaucracy to clean the river. Now, with a new and contentious cleanup plan for the Housatonic River on the table, they are faced with an uncertain future.

Resilience is in Our Nature:

A snapshot of the Portland, Oregon community during the COVID-19 pandemic and Black Lives Matter uprising, Resilience Is In Our Nature captures resilience that can be found within us and around us. Whether it's putting a mask on and enjoying outside, learning how to thrive and grow in quarantine, maintaining balance physically and mentally in nature, or a small business adapting and staying afloat – this film centers the fabric of what makes Oregon's neighborhoods, cities, and state a special place to live.

Good night & Thank you: 9:05pm

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