

2021 FEATURE FILMS – FRIDAY HARBOR FILM FESTIVAL

700 FEET DOWN *Sponsored by Island Home Finishes. Short films sponsored by Vinny's Ristorante and Harbor Rental*



November 7, 1940. Spectators from across Washington State gathered to watch the Tacoma Narrows Bridge's crumbling collapse. This is the feature film story of the famed Galloping Gertie: those who witnessed her build and ultimate collapse, those who have explored her wreckage, lured by adventure and a giant octopus; and those who have studied her history. *700 Feet Down* is a deep dive exploration into how history influences the present, and the lessons we can learn along the way.

Director: Carly Vester

Running time of program: 81 minutes

Things to Consider

[Livestream Film: Monday, October 18 @ 7:30 pm](#)

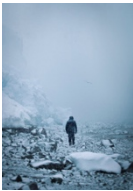
Livestream Shorts following: *I Am Ocean-PT Hirshfield, Rebirth of a Reef, The Uncommon Garden*

Livestream Q&A: Monday, October 18 @ 9 pm

On-Demand Film & Recorded Q&A: Monday, October 18 – Sunday, October 24



AFTER ANTARCTICA *Sponsored by Aeronautical Services*



A journey across both poles, *After Antarctica* follows polar explorer Will Steger's life journey as an eyewitness to the greatest changes in the polar regions of our planet. After a lifetime of landmark expeditions across both poles, no one alive has seen more of the polar world.

Director: Tasha Van Zandt

Running time: 105 minutes

Explorers & Adventures

[Livestream Film: Wednesday, October 20 @ 7:30 pm](#)

Livestream Q&A: Wednesday, October 20 @ 9:15 pm

On-Demand Film & Recorded Q&A: Monday, October 18 – Sunday, October 24



BECOMING COUSTEAU *Sponsored by Port of Friday Harbor*



Becoming Cousteau examines the epic life of Jacques Yves Cousteau, the ocean explorer who spanned the globe with a misfit crew of divers and filmmakers, under the lifelong creed, "Il faut aller voir." -- "We must go and see for ourselves." The Frenchman who first sounded the alarm to save the oceans was born with a dream to fly, but a car accident grounded his aviation career, and he found rehabilitation and inspiration through free-diving in the South of France. His desire to go deeper and further led him to inventions that would forever change the way we see and know the undersea world, co-inventing the "aqualung" and revolutionizing underwater cinematography.

Director: Liz Garbus

Running time: 94 minutes

Explorers & Adventures

[Livestream Film: Saturday, October 23 @ 7:30 pm](#)

Livestream Q&A: Saturday, October 23 @ 9:15 pm

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BONEYARD ALASKA



Beneath the ever-frozen ground of Alaska, lie the bones of Ice Age creatures that roamed this region tens of thousands of years ago: bison, woolly mammoths, and prehistoric bears. Stored in a permafrost deep-freeze for all this time, the remains are in pristine condition and represent an unprecedented window into the life of the Pleistocene Epoch. The bones are now being unearthed by an Alaskan gold miner named John Reeves, a private landowner with no scientific training. John has assembled over a hundred thousand specimens from his mine site, "The Boneyard." John invites a small team of expert paleontologists to visit his site and his collection. As the scientists waded into the mud and peruse the collection, discoveries are made, potentially re-writing the history of North America.

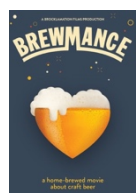
Directors: Paul Andrew Lawrence

Running time: 74 minutes

Explorers & Adventures

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BREWMANCE *Sponsored by San Juan Island Brewing Co.*



A home brewed movie about craft beer -- craft beer began with a group of restless home brewers searching for something real and flavorful; it has become a global phenomenon of taste. That spirit of rebellion and innovation exists in today's home brewers. In Long Beach, California, two groups of home brewers will soon open breweries and bring their beers to the world: a father-son team who grew close over making beer; and a rock star looking for the quiet (?) existence of brewery owner.

Director: Christo Brock

Running time: 101 minutes

Tales from the Heart

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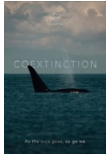
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COEXTINCTION *Sponsored by Islanders Insurance*

Short film sponsored by Tina's Place



Impending extinction comes to a tipping point for one of the world's most iconic species and ecosystems, revealing the true nature of our interconnectedness. For two young filmmakers, this crisis sparks a stunning journey across the Pacific Northwest, joining activists, scientists, and Indigenous leaders to uncover corruption and stop injustice before it's too late.

Directors: Gloria Pancrazi & Elena Jean Running time of program: 103 minutes **Explorers & Adventures**

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only

Livestream Film: Tuesday, October 19 @ 7:30 pm

Livestream Q&A: Tuesday, October 19 @ 9:15 pm

Livestream Short following: Project Sea Star



Islanders Insurance

THE DIVIDED BRAIN



This film is a mind-altering odyssey about one man's quest to prove a growing imbalance in our brains, and to help us understand how this makes us increasingly unable to grapple with critical economic, environmental, and social issues-- ones that shape our very future as a species. It explores a radical new idea - is there an imbalance between our brain hemispheres that is affecting how we live in our modern society? It follows Dr. Iain McGilchrist, prominent British psychiatrist and neuroscientist, on a journey of discovery as he travels to meet his champions and critics and defends his vision on the implications of his theory.

Director: Manfred Becker

Running time: 78 minutes

Things to Consider

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EARTH EMERGENCY *Sponsored by Windermere Real Estate San Juan Island* *Short film sponsored by Brickworks*



Told by leading climate scientists, Earth Emergency examines four of the major warming feedback loops threatening our planet: Forests, Permafrost, Albedo, and Atmosphere. The film is narrated by Richard Gere and features Greta Thunberg, Jane Fonda, and the Dalai Lama as well as many scientists and environmentalists.

Director: Susan Gray

Running time of program: 83 minutes

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Livestream Shorts following:

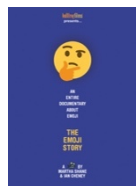
Interconnections, Plants Have Wings

Livestream Q&A: Saturday, October 16 @ 6:30 pm

On-Demand Film & Q&A: Monday, October 18 – Sunday, October 24



THE EMOJI STORY *Sponsored by The Toy Box*



The rapid rise of emoji (Japanese for "picture character") is a global phenomenon. Their widespread use and ability to convey complex messages have cemented emojis' place as an emerging digital language, prompting difficult questions about the creation of a language and digital communications with fraught ties to identity and inclusion. The filmmakers lead viewers on a deep dive into the ever-evolving world of picture characters, from their beginnings in Japan to mobile keyboards the world over.

Directors: Martha Shane & Ian Cheney

Running time: 79 minutes

Things to Consider

Livestream Film: Saturday, October 16 @ 2:30 pm

Livestream Q&A: Saturday, October 16 @ 4 pm

On-Demand Film & Q&A: Monday, October 18 – Sunday, October 24



FIRESTORM '77: THE TRUE STORY OF THE HONDA CANYON FIRE

Sponsored by San Juan Business Park

Short film sponsored by Horshu Ranch and Theresa Simendinger



A combination of hurricane-force winds and the snapping of an electrical pole starts the Honda Canyon Fire on Vandenberg Air Force Base, California, early in the morning of December 20, 1977. Over a thousand professional firemen and military personnel fight the fire. Outlier winds would increase to over a hundred

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miles per hour, making the firefight almost impossible. The film recounts the confusion and chaos of December 1977 as told by those that were there on the front lines.

Directors: Chris Hite & Dennis Ford Running time of program: 63 minutes

Tales from the Heart

[Livestream Film: Sunday, October 17 @ 12 noon](#)

Livestream Short following: *Fuel, Fire and Wild Horses*

Livestream Q&A: Sunday, October 15 @ 1:15 pm

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THE FIRST WAVE

Sponsored by Peace Health

Available to Washington State

viewers only



A once-in-a-century pandemic has engulfed our world, leaving in its wake a devastating trail of death and despair, while also exposing long-standing fault lines in our society and changing the very fabric of our daily lives. This film documents those harrowing four months, following a group of brave healthcare workers at Long Island Jewish Medical Center in Queens, as they risked their lives in the epic battle to keep the virus at bay.

Director: Matthew Heineman Running time: 94 minutes

Things to Consider

[Livestream Film: Wednesday, October 20 @ 5 pm](#)

Livestream Q&A: Wednesday, October 20 @ 6:45 pm

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FOOD FOR THE REST OF US

Sponsored by Café Demeter



Food for the Rest of Us is a feature film that presents four stories of people living life on their own terms, serving as leaders who lend their voices to the underdog and lead a revolution to create a better world from the ground up! Visit an Indigenous-owned, youth run organic farm in Hawaii; a Black urban grower in Kansas City who runs a land-farm at East High School; a female kosher butcher in Colorado working with the queer community; and an Inuit community on the Arctic Coast who are adapting to climate change with a community garden in a small geodesic dome.

Director: Caroline Cox

Running time of program: 99 minutes

Things to Consider

[Livestream Film: Saturday, October 16 @ 9:30 am](#)

Livestream Short following: *FARM TO RESTAURANT TO TABLE: The Story of Stand Up for Lopez, a Pandemic Food Security Program*

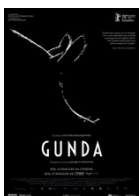
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GUNDA

Sponsored by Mike's Café & Wine Bar



In *Gunda*, master filmmaker Viktor Kossakovsky reminds us that we share our planet with billions of other animals. Through encounters with a mother sow (the eponymous Gunda), two ingenious cows, and a scene-stealing, one-legged chicken, Kossakovsky movingly recalibrates our moral universe, reminding us of the inherent value of life and the mystery of all animal consciousness, including our own.

Director: Victor Kossakovsky Running time: 93 minutes

Tales from the Heart

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KISS THE GROUND

Sponsored by Sam and Jane Buck



Kiss the Ground reveals that by regenerating the world's soils we can completely and rapidly stabilize Earth's climate, restore lost ecosystems, and create abundant food supplies. Using compelling graphics and visuals, along with striking NASA and NOAA footage, the film artfully illustrates how, by drawing down atmospheric carbon, soil is the missing piece of the climate puzzle. This movie may catalyze a movement to accomplish the impossible – solve humanity's greatest challenge, balance the climate, and secure our species' future.

Directors: Josh Tickell & Rebecca Harrell

Running Time: 85 minutes

Things to Consider

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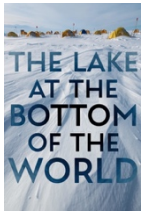


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THE LAKE AT THE BOTTOM OF THE WORLD



An international team of scientists embark on a perilous mission to explore a lake buried 3,600 feet beneath the Antarctic ice sheet. Their success hinges on the performance of their custom-built hot water drill and their ability to work as a team in the harshest climate on the planet. As they struggle against the ferocity of the ice and wind to unravel mysteries buried deep under Antarctica, they consider how our relationship with nature – and with one another – will impact humanity's future and the future of all life on our rapidly changing planet.

Director: Kathy Kasic Running time: 91 minutes

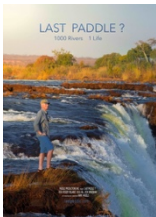
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LAST PADDLE? *Sponsored by Maya's Legacy Whale Watching* *Short film sponsored by Serendipity Used Books*



One life, 1000 rivers - This inspirational and visually stunning film chronicles the amazing lifetime journey of renowned river advocate Mark Angelo who has paddled more than 1000 rivers in well over 100 countries, perhaps more than any other individual. Spanning the globe, the film chronicles a life-long commitment to river conservation and restoration. *Last Paddle?* makes an eloquent plea to cherish and better care for our life-giving waterways, encourages others to become environmental champions, and offers hopeful insights into how we might attain a more sustainable future.

Director: Roger Williams. Running time of program: 108 minutes

Explorers & Adventures

[Livestream Film: Friday, October 16 @ 12 noon](#)

Livestream Shorts following: *Black Stone Fly, Mission Creek Restoration, Tunkashila, Jenny & the Coho*

Livestream Q&A: Friday, October 16 @ 2 pm

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LOVING VINCENT: THE IMPOSSIBLE DREAM

Sponsored by San Juan

Island Museum of Art

Short film sponsored by Sandstrom Law



This documentary film looks behind the scenes of the 9-year production of the first fully painted feature film, *Loving Vincent*. It includes interviews with the Oscar-nominated directors, as well as a few of the 125 painters who toiled to paint the 65,000 individual frames that make up the film. The documentary takes the viewer on a journey from the inception of the idea to paint a short film all the way to the Oscar nomination for Best Animated Feature.

Directors: Dorota Kobiela & Hugh Welchman Running time of the program: 99 minutes

Tales from the

Heart

[Livestream Film: Friday, October 22 @ 7:30 pm](#)

Livestream Short following: *Short Life of Trouble*

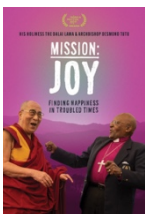
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SANDSTROM LAW™



MISSION: JOY — FINDING HAPPINESS IN TROUBLED TIMES



Featuring His Holiness, the Dalai Lama and Archbishop Desmond Tutu, *Mission: Joy – Finding Happiness in Troubled Times*, is a documentary with unprecedented access to the unlikely friendship of two international icons who transcend religion: His Holiness the Dalai Lama & Archbishop Tutu. In their final joint mission, these self-described mischievous brothers give a master class in how to create joy in a world that was never easy for them. They offer neuroscience-backed wisdom to help each of us live with more joy, despite circumstances.

Directors: Louie Psihoyos & Peggy Callahan

Running time: 90 minutes

Tales from the Heart

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NOT BROKEN

Sponsored by Chicago Title



All Winter wants is to be normal until she discovers what it means to be different. Young Winter Knight is profoundly dyslexic and equally artistic. Despair sets in as she finds herself defined not by her talents but by her disabilities. As her dyslexia begins to impact virtually every area of her life, she becomes convinced that she's hopelessly broken. Until, that is, she discovers the purpose behind her pain.

Director: Lauren Havel

Running time: 71 minutes

Tales from the Heart

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OBSERVATIONS AT 65° SOUTH

Short film sponsored by LUXEL



A team of nine scientists embark on a journey to Antarctica. Their choice of transport: a small sailboat. This story is an intimately human account of what it means to live and work alongside one another under relentless conditions, set within the wider context of rapidly advancing global change, impending habitat destruction and the current zeitgeist of environmentalism.

Director: Lilian Hess

Running time of the program: 95 minutes

Explorers & Adventures

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ORCHESTRATING CHANGE

Sponsored by San Juan Island Museum of Art



This film tells the inspiring story of Me2/Orchestra, the only orchestra in the world created by and for people living with mental illness and those who support them. The orchestra's mission is to erase the stigmatization of people living with mental illness through the creation of beautiful music, community, compassion, and understanding...one concert at a time. Most important, it is changing the lives of the musicians and audiences in ways they never imagined.

Directors: Margie Friedman & Barbara Multer-Wellin

Running time: 85 minutes *Tales from the Heart*

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THE SIX



When RMS Titanic sank on a cold night in 1912, barely 700 people escaped with their lives. Among them were six Chinese men. Arriving in New York with the other survivors, the six were met not with compassion, but suspicion and slander. Less than 24 hours later, they were expelled from the country, soon forgotten, and lost beneath the waves of time. What became of them? *The Six* is an extraordinary story of survival and dignity in the face of racism and anti-immigrant policy that still reverberates today.

Director: Arthur Jones

Running time: 102 minutes

Tales from the Heart

Livestream Film: Sunday, October 17 @ 5 pm

Livestream Q&A: Sunday, October 17 @ 6:45 pm

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STORIES OF US: CAMP SECOND CHANCE

Sponsored by Tammy Cotton Farmers Insurance

Short film sponsored by Friday Harbor Electric



Director Melinda Raebyne embeds herself at one of Seattle's homeless camps, Camp Second Chance, one winter, challenging public ignorance and humanizing a population that locals would rather neglect. She shares with you some of their personal stories and her actual experience of what it's like to be homeless. By putting faces to the statistics and a voice to their stories, she humanizes a population in ways that allow viewers to see themselves and better relate to a neglected and often forgotten population.

Director: Melinda Raebyne

Running time of program: 76 minutes

Tales from the Heart

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Livestream Short following: Tuned Up



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TAMING THE GARDEN



A powerful, anonymous man has developed an unusual hobby. He buys century-old trees, some as tall as 15-story buildings, from communities along the Eastern European Georgian coast and has them excavated to collect them for his private garden. To transplant trees of such dimensions, the landscape surrounding them is ripped apart and the people living around them are forced to adapt to the disruption. As the film follows this process, it portrays the needs and values of today's Georgian society and reflects on the theme of forced migration, where "uprooting" is more than a metaphor.

Director: Salomé Jashi

Running time: 92 minutes

Things to Consider

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TORN

Short film sponsored by Cynthia's Bistro



On Oct. 5, 1999, legendary climber Alex Lowe was tragically lost alongside cameraman and fellow climber David Bridges in a deadly avalanche on the slopes of the Tibetan Mountain, Shishapangma. Miraculously surviving the avalanche was Alex's best friend and climbing partner, renowned mountaineer Conrad Anker. After the tragedy, Anker and Alex's widow, Jennifer, fell in love and married, and Anker stepped in to help raise Alex's three sons. *Torn* delivers an intimate look at the Lowe-Anker family using never-before-released archival footage of the ill-fated 1999 expedition, early footage of Alex and Anker as young climbers, personal home videos and strikingly candid interviews with the Lowe-Ankers, the film will follow Max in his quest to

understand his iconic late father as he explores family's complex relationships in the wake of his father's death.

Director: Max Lowe

Running time of program: 119 minutes

Tales from the Heart

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Livestream Film: Sunday, October 17 @ 2:30 pm

Livestream Short following: Trailbound Alaska

Livestream Q&A: Sunday, October 17 @ 4:30 pm

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THE TRUFFLE HUNTERS

Sponsored by San Juan Business Park



Deep in the forests of Piedmont, Italy, a handful of men, 70 or 80 years young, hunt for the rare and expensive white Alba truffle—which to date has resisted all modern science's efforts at cultivation. They're guided by a secret culture and training passed down through generations, as well as by the noses of their cherished and expertly trained dogs. They live a simpler, slower way of life, in harmony with their loyal animals and their picture-perfect land, seemingly straight out of a fairy tale. They're untethered to cell phone screens or the Internet, opting instead to make their food and drink by hand and prioritizing in-person connections and community.

The demand for white truffles increases year after year, even as the supply decreases. As a result of climate change, deforestation, and the lack of young people taking up the mantle, the truffle hunters'

secrets are more coveted than ever. However, as it soon becomes clear, these aging men may just hold something much more valuable than even this prized delicacy: the secret to a rich and meaningful life.

Directors: Michael Dweck & Gregory Kershaw

Running time: 84 minutes

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THE VIEWING BOOTH



The Viewing Booth recounts a unique encounter between a filmmaker and a viewer — exploring the way meaning is attributed to non-fiction images in today's day and age. In a lab-like location, Maia Levy, a young Jewish-American woman, watches videos portraying life in the occupied West Bank, while verbalizing her thoughts and feelings in real-time. Maia is an enthusiastic supporter of Israel, and the images in the videos, depicting Palestinian life under Israeli military rule, contradict some of her deep-seated beliefs. Empathy, anger, embarrassment, innate biases, and healthy curiosity — all play out before our eyes as we watch her watch the images created by the Occupation. As Maia navigates and negotiates the images, which threaten her worldview, she also reflects on the way she sees them. Her candid and immediate reactions form a one-of-a-kind cinematic testimony to the psychology of the viewer in the digital era.

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Director: Ra'anan Alexandrowicz

Running time: 70 minutes

Things to Consider

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A VOYAGE AGAINST TIME

Sponsored by Browne's Home Center

Short film sponsored by Tina's Place



This pioneering documentary follows a physically and mentally challenging kayaking expedition led by Bashar Al Huneidi and accompanied by Colin Wong & Mansour Al Safran through six countries from Kuwait to Oman. After several dangerous brushes with death the expedition is rewarded by Mother Earth with breathtaking scenery, marine animals, and wildlife on the journey -- exposing the region's plastic and other pollution of the Gulf. This spiritual journey raises awareness of the region's natural beauty and rich biodiversity and highlights the urgent need for a sustainable strategy to protect the environment so fundamental to the region's heritage and culture. Bashar overcomes treacherous physical, mental, and logistical obstacles to bring himself connect with nature, CONNECT TO PROTECT!

Directors: Steve Mackay & Jonathan Ali Khan

Running time of program: 91 minutes

Explorers & Adventures

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[Livestream Short following: If You Give a Beach a Bottle](#)

[Livestream Q&A: Sunday, October 17 @ 11:15 am](#)

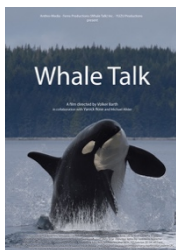
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WHALE TALK

Sponsored by Friday Harbor Grand

Short film sponsored by Brickworks



To understand the language of whales is an ancient dream. So far nobody has managed to crack their code. Biologists finally team up with computer researchers to adapt AI tools to orcas. While also documenting the challenges the orcas are facing. Computer linguists and Automated Pattern Recognition researchers have developed sophisticated analysis tools during the last years. Do whales use a real "language"? To find answers, an international team sets out to adapt AI tools to killer whales. To collect sufficient data for their analysis the team embarks on an expedition along the pristine coastlines of Northern Canada. With specialized software onboard they follow different groups of the Northern Resident killer whales. While following different orca families along the coast of Canada, the film provides the first window into a new and exciting era of animal communication research, while drawing us closer to an old dream of mankind – decoding of their language.

Director: Volker Barth

Running time of program: 57 minutes

Explorers & Adventures

[Livestream Film: Friday, October 15 @ 12 noon](#)

[Livestream Short following: Generation of Sound](#)

[Livestream Q&A: Friday, October 15 @ 1 pm](#)

On-Demand Film & Q&A: Monday, October 18 – Sunday, October 24



WHERE THERE ONCE WAS WATER

Sponsored by San Juan Island Food Coop

Short film sponsored by Star Surveying



This is a story about water. A song for the sacred in all of us. A documentary centered on solutions. This is a look at the driest of places - California and the Southwest - and the deepest of spaces - our inner worlds and the stories we choose to tell. We are invited to change our perspective, to rewrite our stories, and ultimately, to heal our broken relationships with the natural world. Where land is desert, and water is scarce, we find hope and resilience in Navajo Nation. This film highlights solutions to habitat, farming, and animal raising through biodiversity, responsibility, and hope.

Director: Brittany App

Running time of program: 106 minutes

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Livestream Short following: *Honor Thy Mother*

Livestream Q&A: Friday, October 15 @ 4:30 pm

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YOUTH v GOV

Sponsored by Islanders Insurance



A story of global importance that has already inspired numerous legal actions around the world, *Youth v Gov* is the story of America's youngest citizens taking on the world's most powerful government. Twenty-one courageous youth lead a groundbreaking lawsuit against the U.S. government, asserting it has willfully acted over six decades to create our climate crisis, thus endangering their constitutional rights to life, liberty, and property. If these young people are successful, they'll not only make history, they'll change the future.

Director: Christi Cooper

Running time: 107 minutes

Tales from the Heart

Livestream Film: Friday, October 22 @ 5 pm

Livestream Q&A: Friday, October 22 @ 7 pm

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Islanders Insurance

ZERO GRAVITY



Zero Gravity follows a diverse group of middle-school students from San Jose, CA, who compete in a nationwide tournament to code satellites aboard the International Space Station, is a powerful and inspirational story about education, science, and the next generation. Set in San Jose, CA, near Silicon Valley, first-time teacher Tanner Marcoida aims to prepare his middle-school students for future jobs and enrolls them in the nationwide Zero Robotics competition, which quickly captures the hearts and minds of three young innovators. Their mission is to program free-flying satellites aboard the International Space Station called SPHERES. As their team grows from amateur coders to confident engineers, they reflect on their hopes, dreams, cultures, and creeds, and forge their paths to compete in the ISS Finals Tournament — the culmination of a summer-long adventure that sees their incredible accomplishment performed by astronauts in orbit.

Director: Thomas Verrette

Running time: 74 minutes

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