

THE FILMS

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3:45pm, Saturday, Oct. 7th
Taos Community Auditorium

SEA SHEPHERD - WHALE PROJECT

Every year in defiance of international laws and regulations the Japanese whaling fleet illegally slaughters approximately one thousand whales in the Antarctic whale sanctuary. They also target the endangered humpback and fin whales. Sea Shepherd is the only organization in the world with the will to directly intervene in order to enforce international conservation laws and regulations already on the book and the footage of their encounters on the high seas is spectacular. www.channelg.tv
Channel G TV, USA, 5mins, 2006
In person; Michael Schoenfeld

BIRTHPLACE OF THE WINDS

Jon Bowermaster brings the first screening of another superb documentary of a brilliant adventure. A team of four set out in 21-foot kayaks to explore the Aleutian Islands where the winds can reach one-hundred knots: thus the Aleut name "the birthplace of the winds." Stunning cinematography of this remarkable volcano studded remoteness, colored by Jon's laconic commentary, combine to make this a pick of the festival. www.jonbowermaster.com
Jon Bowermaster, USA, 27mins, 2006, World Premiere
In person: Jon Bowermaster

ZEN AND ZERO

The classic surf trip in the Americas is down the Pacific coast in search of the perfect break. Austrian surfer, Michael Ginthoer, replicates that odyssey but with a purpose: he's read Allan Weisbecker's seminal account of the journey, "In Search of Captain Zero," and pursues the same quest to produce a fascinating and absorbing story. "Endless Summer" meets "Step into Liquid". www.zenandzero.com
Winner: Best Director, Best Story - Nominee: Best Picture, Best Original Score, X-Dance
Michael Ginthoer, Austria, 61mins, 2006

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Old County Courthouse

SHISHA IN WINTER

The Poles specialize in suffering: climbing the 8,000ers in winter. Only Polish teams have managed to put up first winter ascents on these highest peaks and this film is an enthralling account of a recent attempt on the last 8,000er to be summited in winter: Shishapangma. Zaluski's film relates the rigors of high-altitude winter alpinism and the toll it takes on body and soul. www.zaluskifilm.com
Dariusz Zaluski, Poland, 28mins, 2006, World Premiere

PETE ATHANS

Mr. Everest, Pete Athans' slide-show covers his climbing exploits in all corners of the globe, See page 5

ACROSS THE ATLAS

A humorous take on the Hero's Journey: an expedition to Morocco in search of the ultimate adventure. This Boulder, CO, based team aims to ski northern Africa's highest peak, but misadventures waylay them along the way. Timmy O'Neil narrates (in inimitable fashion) Michael Brown's intelligent filmmaking. www.seracfilms.com
Michael Brown, USA, 25mins, 2006, World Premiere
In Person: Michael Brown, Pietro Simonetti

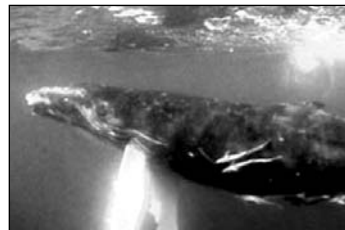
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REEL ROCK

TMFF hosts the Reel Rock extravaganza that is touring the country this fall. Along with gear giveaways and a high-octane presentation the following films will screen:

FIRST ASCENT: Peter Mortimer and Timmy O'Neil have produced many fine films in the genre over the years (Front Range Freaks, Return to Sender) and this is their *tout de force*. First Ascent features today's top rock climbers as they lay siege to steep faces and soaring alpine walls in pursuit of climbing's pinnacle achievement - the First Ascent. Mortimer brings us on this globetrotting journey to capture the hopes, fears, and truly radical feats of men and women on climbing's cutting edge. www.senderfilms.com
Directed and Edited by Peter Mortimer with Nick Rosen, USA, 2006

DOSAGE PART 4: Another leading filmmaker in the climbing scene Josh Lowell (Biographie, TMFF 2003, Psicobloc, TMFF 2004.) brings us volume 4 of his very successful series. Leading climbers Chris Sharma, Tommy Caldwell and Lisa Rands perform on many of the world's test pieces.
Josh Lowell, USA, 2006



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