

# 12 films - a night of inspiration

# Spaceship Earth Passenger Safety Briefing

Dave Gardner, Lynsey Jones, GrowthBusters

Airline passengers are routinely briefed on how to make their flight safe and comfortable. Imagine if every passenger on Spaceship Earth were similarly briefed. Buckle up and hold on.

## Spine of the Continent

Alex Suber, David Spiegel, Brendan Boepple, Zak Podmore, Walt Hecox Five college students explore the wilderness of the Rocky Mountains and examine what it will take to preserve this landscape in the face of climate change. The crew delves into the changing paradigm of large landscape conservation. <u>View trailer</u>

## Joe

## Andy Maser, Hayden Peters

National Geographic wildlife photographer Joe Riis reminds us that even those who have achieved it all still face many of the struggles that we all do. Joe celebrates how a man's love for the wilderness has helped to further curiosity, respect and protection for the natural world around us. Best Cinematography, DC Adventure FF.

# Pride of Namibia

## Andy Maser, Jenny Nichols

Namibia is home to one of the greatest wildlife recovery story ever told. The nation has enshrined conservation into its constitution, and is committed to the future of responsible travel - tourism that directly benefits the people who give wildlife freedom to roam. First Place, Adventure in Motion, Yahoo Travel; Travel Trade Assoc. Award.

# The Last Dragons: Protecting Appalachia's Hellbenders

Jeremy Monroe, David Herasimtschuk

An intimate glimpse at North America's Eastern Hellbender, an ancient salamander that lives as much in myth as in reality.... and in many waters, myths are all that remain of these stream-dwelling sentinels. <u>View Trailer</u>

#### A Line in the Sand

Chris Jordan-Bloch

When three power plants began to dump their waste, known as coal ash, on a rural community in Pennsylvania, they thought no one would notice. They were wrong. Gary Kuklish, a retired coal miner in La Belle, PA tackles a problem that is endemic to the entire coal industry.

## A Dam Problem

Upper Deschutes Watershed Council, Wahoo Films

Building successful relationships takes time but those relationships are the key to completing a successful dam removal and floodplain restoration project near Sisters, OR, that benefited farmers, fish and the surrounding ecosystem.

## Bringing Back the Brooks: A Revival of the South's Trout

Jeremy Monroe, David Herasimtschuk

A poetic look at a forgotten native of Appalachia, the Southern Appalachian Brook Trout, which is being brought back from the brink ... by hand, bucket, and hoof. View Trailer

#### Nature Rx

Bogardus, Jed Lazar, Joe Victorine

This award-winning comedy series is about a struggle affecting many of us today. Set in the world of a spoofed prescription drug commercial, Nature Rx offers a hearty dose of laughs and the outdoors - two timeless prescriptions for whatever ails you. Side effects may include confidence, authenticity, remembering you have a body, and being in a good mood for no apparent reason. Best Intl Short, Planet in Focus FF; Best Short, Colorado Enviro FF; Audience Award Best Short, SXSW Films for the Forest; Best Very Short, Earth Port FF.

## Dryden-The Small Town that Changed the Fracking Game

Chris Jordan-Bloch, Director, Kathleen Sutcliffe, Earthjustice

The industry kept saying: "We have the power; you have none. We are coming. Get out of the way or leave," said Joanne Cipolla-Dennis, recall-ing what happened when the oil and gas industry came to her town of Dryden, NY. But Joanne and her neighbors came up with a plan. This is the true story of people who discovered their shared strength and turned the tables on a powerful industry.

### Monarchs & Milkweed

Steven M. Bumgardner

Take a microcosmic safari through a field of milkweed and discover a whole world of life, from bees to wasps to hummingbirds to butterflies. The charismatic Monarch but- terfly is completely dependent on milkweed for its survival, and places like Yosemite National Park offer protection for this often overlooked plant.

## **Eternally Wild**

California Trout, Keith Brauneis Productions, Craig Ballenger

The Smith River is a poster-child for how an entire watershed can be protected. Here there are no dams, no wretched clear-cut blocks, no mitigating hatcheries. Instead, ancient forest, including iconic redwood, cloaks canyon walls. But this pristine watershed is threatened by the Red Flat Nickel Corporation that applied to drill and test 59 locations over 4,000 acres on the pristine North Fork of the Smith River. This would pave the way for one of the largest nickel mines in the West. View Trailer

## The Way We Eat

Val Camp, Jeannine Glista

Sierra Harvest educates, inspires and connects families to fresh, local seasonal foods through farm to school education, training the next generation of farmers and supporting low income families in growing food at home. Their programs reach 92% of the K-8 students in Western Nevada County, CA. Prepare to get inspired by this regional model of food systems change.