



Save the Date for SYRCL's 15th Anniversary Wild & Scenic Film Festival

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Save the date for SYRCL's 15th anniversary Wild & Scenic Film Festival happening January 12-16, 2017 in downtown Nevada City and Grass Valley. Each year, this festival brings our community a selection of films to change your world. You'll witness how individuals and communities across the globe are taking action and becoming part of the solution on issues ranging from energy, food systems, biodiversity, climate change and the protection and restoration of wild lands and wild waters. You'll experience the adrenaline of kayaking the wildest rivers, climbing the highest peaks and trekking across the globe with adventure films from around the world. You'll explore the issues and movements with leading environmental activists and professionals, filmmakers and celebrities.

The theme this year, *At the Edge*, addresses some of the more pressing matters at hand, including climate change, species extinction, social and environmental justice – genres all well represented at Wild & Scenic. It is also representative of the adventure films we screen – bringing to mind being at the edge of a great wilderness or a path not taken – always a highlight for our festival attendees!

Additionally, the phrase embraces the activists and innovators featured in many of our documentary films who are at the edge of progress with new advances in alternative energy, sustainable farming, and the chance to make decisions that will have a positive effect future generations. And, of course, there is a link to our attendees who are often at the edge of their seats throughout the festival!

Many special events are in store for our 15th anniversary festival; some highlights include:

- Art & the Environment: An Evening with Gary Snyder & Tom Killion. This evening of film, conversation and poetry will focus on the role arts have played, do play, and can play in the environmental movement. VIP Reception will precede this event.
- Oscar-nominated and Emmy-winning writer and director David Vassar will share a live multi-media presentation exploring the source of inspiration for environmental films and how the idea becomes a cinematic experience that can move an audience to action.
- Virtual Reality Lounge featuring 4 environmental themed experiences

This event doesn't happen without more than 700 volunteers; if you're interested in getting involved we'd love to have you. **Volunteer Registration and Ticket Sales start December 1.** We hope to see you there!

For more information: www.wildandscenicfilmfestival.org

