



MOUNTAIN ADVENTURE FILMS

7:00 p.m. Sunday, February 20, 2005

Atwood Hall, Clark University, 950 Main St., Worcester

A selection of the best films from this year's **Banff Mountain Film Festival** is on a World Tour that comes to Atwood Hall at Clark University in Worcester, Mass., at 7:00 p.m. Sunday, February 20, 2005.

The acclaimed annual film competition of the Banff Centre in Alberta, Canada, launches dozens of breathtaking films from around the globe that capture the spirit of the mountains. Viewers experience the adventure of climbing, mountain expeditions, mountain sports, remote cultures and the world's last great wild places -- all brought to life on the big screen. And viewers are automatically entered in a raffle for great prizes from World Tour sponsors.

The films to be shown in Worcester, presented by Paul Nager and Chunky Monkey Productions:

"Soul Purpose" (USA, 21 min.) -- With trips to the far-off reaches of the planet including Russia, Alaska and Canada, this film captures the best of big-mountain skiing and snowboarding.

"Weekend Warrior" (Canada, 5 min.) -- This humorous film depicts the hapless pursuits of a snowboarder who tries his hardest to cruise the mountain for female companionship.

"Alone Across Australia" (Australia, 51 minutes) -- In 2001, climber Jon Muir began a 2,500-kilometer odyssey to cross Australia from north to south on foot. For 128 days, Jon and his dog, Seraphine, survived entirely off the land. *Best Film on Mountain Environment* and *People's Choice Award*.

"Psicobloc" (USA, 8 min.) -- On the Mediterranean island of Mallorca, Klem Loskot and his friends establish spectacular routes on overhanging limestone walls up to 60 feet high. With no ropes and with the ocean as a crash pad, the climbing is unencumbered and the falls are magnificent.

"One World" (Canada, 16 min.) -- Kayak action, athletes and lifestyles on rivers around the globe.

"Out of Ophirica" (USA, 6 min.) -- In February 2004, a classic San Juan snow cycle set loose a series of avalanches, which reminds us why property values in Ophir, Colo., have always been a little behind those in Telluride, and why kids from that valley don't make it to school every day in the winter.

"A Russian Wave" (Canada, 27 min.) -- Two professional kayakers, athlete Becky Bristow and Dunbar Hardy, hired by the Russian government to assess whitewater rivers and tourism potential in northeastern Russia, arrive expecting an incredible adventure. They soon realize that the Russian idea of whitewater is very different from theirs. A humorous look at dashed expectations, adventure, and cultural differences.

"The Collective" (USA, 42 min.) -- A creative, high-energy group portrays the cutting edge of the freeride mountain biking progression.

"Heavy Fork" (Canada, 3 min.) -- A video diary of an enthusiastic 12-year-old's bruising attempts to create his own distinctive, unorthodox mountain-biking style.

Tickets are \$12.50 at the door
or may be purchased in advance from **Eastern Mountain Sports**
at The Shoppes at Blackstone Valley,
70 Worcester-Providence Turnpike (Route 146), Millbury, 508-865-6776.
Tickets also may be reserved by calling 860-434-4366.



A portion of the proceeds will benefit the **Major Taylor Association, Inc.**
www.majortaylorassociation.org

Film menu subject to change -- check www.paulnager.com for updates.

After Worcester, the next stop on the Banff Mountain Film Festival World Tour is Feb. 22-23 in Somerville, Mass.

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