

# The Redwood Valley Outdoor Education Project PRESENTS

## *International Wildlife Film Festival*

### POST-FESTIVAL TOUR

*Six Friday Evenings of Award-Winning Wildlife Films*

Live Music and Snacks at 6:30 • Films at 7:15 PM

Ukiah Civic Center, 300 Seminary Ave.

February 18–March 25

Tickets available at  
Mendocino Book Company  
and at the door. Suggested donations:  
Series Ticket: \$50 Individual Tickets: \$10/adults  
& \$5/children (films appropriate for older children)



#### FEBRUARY 18 – SOUTH PACIFIC: CASTAWAYS (60 min.)

With New Guinea and its exotic fauna as the starting point we travel east to discover what plants, animals, and humans successfully castaway to such far-flung places as the Solomon Islands, Tonga, Fiji, and Hawaii. *Awards for Best Cinematography and Best Scientific Content*

Plus: **A DAY ON THE RIVER** (13 min.) The Rainbow River in Central Florida is a haven for wildlife and a turtle paradise. Two turtle scientists guide our tour to visit residents on and under the water.

*Live Music: Bob Laughton, Celtic and contemporary acoustic*

#### FEBRUARY 25 – NATURE'S GREAT EVENTS: THE GREAT FEAST (60 min.)

In the northeast Pacific the summer sun brings an explosion of phytoplankton, the basis of a food chain that includes herring, sea birds, sea lions, and humpback whales. All must gorge before the onset of winter ends the feast. *Awards for Best Editing, Best Animal Behavior, and Best Shot*

Plus: **THE SANDERLING** (12 min.) Featuring the shore birds of Asilomar State Beach, this film explores surprising new scientific facts about their flocking and feeding behaviors. *Best Amateur Film*

*Live Music: Mellow bluesy rock with Kim Monroe*

#### MARCH 4 – AFRICA'S LOST EDEN (50 min.)

The lush floodplains in central Mozambique once teemed with wildlife that was all but wiped out by 15 years of civil war. This chronicles the heroic effort currently underway to restore this oasis to its former glory and the challenges of relocating scores of wild animals such as hippos and elephants. *Awards for Best Narration, Best Script, Best Sound Design, Best Conservation and Environmental*

Plus: **HOPE IN A CHANGING CLIMATE** (28 min.) Documents large-scale ecosystem restoration projects in China, Ethiopia and Rwanda. *Best of Category - Ecosystem*

*Live Music: Jason Argos, legendary seven-string jazz guitarist*

#### MARCH 11 – DOUBLE FEATURE

**LIFE: MAMMALS** (60 min.) Spectacular David Attenborough film investigating the survival strategies of Antarctic Weddell seals, reindeer, fruit bats, elephants, meerkats, hyenas, lions, and the biggest fight on the planet between humpback whales. *Recognition for outstanding cinematography*

**FIRST FLIGHT: A MOTHER HUMMINGBIRD'S STORY** (45 min.) The intimate story of a mother hummingbird's successful rearing of two young. *Best Independent Film*

*Live Music: Julian Trio, Celtic/folk fiddle and guitar*

#### MARCH 18 – TWO OUTSTANDING FILMS

**YELLOWSTONE: BATTLE FOR LIFE – AUTUMN** (40 min.) The beauty of autumn unfolds in Yellowstone: elk herds migrate followed by wolves, the clash of bighorn sheep echo in the mountains, and many residents are busy stockpiling winter food. *Award for Cinematography*

**SUN COME UP** (40 min) One of eight on the Oscar short list! Forced to leave their flooding islands the people of the Carteret Islands search for a new home on higher ground. A poignant documentary. *BEST OF FESTIVAL at the Montana CINE Int'l Film Festival*

*Live Music: Guitarist and folk singer Steve Halm*

#### MARCH 25 – SOUTH PACIFIC: FRAGILE PARADISE (60 min)

Focusing on the ocean life of the South Pacific, one of the few healthy seas left, this film documents some of the biggest threats and some successful conservation efforts. *BEST OF FESTIVAL, Best Conservation Message, and Best Underwater Cinematography.*

Plus: **A SIMPLE QUESTION: THE STORY OF STRAW** (35 min) Set in Marin County, a 4th grade student's question about what their class could do to save endangered species leads to a class restoration project that empowers the students and galvanizes the community. *Best Educational Value*

*Live Music: Spunky folk rock by the Broadcasters*



Proceeds benefit the **Redwood Valley Outdoor Education Project**, a community-supported program of the Ukiah Unified School District. For more information please visit [www.rvoep.org](http://www.rvoep.org).

