

# A Mountain Film Calgary Presentation

## 2012 BANFF MOUNTAIN FILM FESTIVAL WORLD TOUR-CALGARY

2013

### Program 1

#### **The Gimp Monkeys**

USA, 2012, 8 minutes.

Focus: Climbing

What has four legs, five arms, and three heads? The Gimp Monkeys. Three friends attempt the first all-disabled ascent of Yosemite's iconic El Capitan.

#### **Highway Wilding (special edit)**

Canada, 2012, 13 minutes

Focus: wildlife, environment

Build them and they will live. That is the simple message in this short documentary that looks at the issue of wildlife and highways, and some of the pioneering solutions that exist to prevent road kill and reconnect landscapes. After seeing this film, you'll never drive down a highway the same way again.

#### **Crossing the Ice**

Australia, 2012, 44 minutes.

Focus: Adventure

Australian adventurers, James Castrission and Justin Jones, dare to tackle the perilous journey across Antarctica to the South Pole and back again, completely unassisted – just two men dragging their food and shelter across 1140 kilometres of barren ice. Many have tried - all have failed.

#### **Grand Prize - People's Choice - Best Film, Exploration & Adventure**

### **Break**

#### **The Flow Hunters (special edit)**

2012, New Zealand, 9 minutes.

Focus: kayaking

Some of the world's best paddlers experience adventure and risk as they explore New Zealand's white water.

#### **1st Afghan Ski Challenge**

Switzerland, 2011, 17 minutes

#### **Best Film. Mountain Sports**

Focus: culture, skiing

In a quiet corner of this conflicted country, gutsy first-time skiers learn to ski through trial by fire! Racing with a true spirit of camaraderie, they take part in the first-ever downhill racing competition in Afghanistan.

#### **Last of the Great Unknown**

USA, 2012, 23 minutes

Focus: Canyoning, exploration

The Grand Canyon is an immense place, almost unfathomable in scale, and one of the last places in the American West to be explored. Deep within this vast wilderness run concealed tributaries, hiding some of the Canyon's most remarkable features – enchanting slot canyons and the secrets deep within their walls.

#### **Reel Rock 7: Wide Boyz**

USA, 2012, 12 minutes.

#### **Best Short Mountain Film**

Focus: rock climbing

Meet UK off-width crack climbing specialists Pete Whittaker and Tom Randall who train hard and play harder. Wide Boyz is about suffering in a dodgy Sheffield basement, the ethics of style, and big payoffs in the Southwestern US.

#### **On Thin Sea Ice 2**

Norway, 2011, 2 minutes

Focus: Skating, swimming, vodka

Slide away with simple pleasures: skating, bathing, and a little vodka!

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### Program 2

#### **Ernest**

USA, 2012, 5 minutes

Focus: human interest

You'll fall in love with Ernest Wilkinson, one of the last of a vanishing breed of mountain men, as he explains what your best survival tool is!

#### **Huck**

USA, 2012, 6 minutes

Focus: kayak

Evan Garcia considers both the risks and rewards of a life driven by big waterfalls

#### **Mountains in Motion (special edit)**

USA, 2012, 10 minutes

Focus: environment, culture

This 100% human-powered film uses striking time-lapse photography and an original story to bring the landscape center-stage and offers a thrilling new perspective that re-establishes the Canadian Rockies among the finest mountains in the world.

#### **Wild Bill's Run**

USA, 2012, 47 minutes

Focus: crazy adventure!

In the winter of 1972, Wild Bill Cooper led a ragtag crew of mechanics, ranchers and photographers on a grueling expedition across the polar ice. During some of the darkest days of the Cold War, their goal was to snowmobile 5,000 miles from Minnesota to Moscow. They didn't quite make it.

### Break

#### **Industrial Revolutions**

UK, 2011, 5 minutes.

World renowned trials rider Danny MacAskill is at it again -- only this time he uses an abandoned ironworks as his playground!

#### **Special Jury Mention**

Focus: trials biking

#### **The Denali Experiment**

USA, 2011, 16 minutes

Focus: alpine climbing, skiing, snowboarding

Freeride skier Sage Cattabriga-Alosa and big mountain snowboarder Lucas Debari step out of their elements while heading toward their most ambitious goal: to descend Mount Denali. But first they must put everything they have into making it to the summit!

#### **Strength in Numbers (special edit)**

Canada, 2012, 15 minutes

Focus: Mountain biking

The world of mountain biking has many communities. And while different riders follow different lines, they all end up in the same place. Tire to ground, foot to pedal, hand to bar - people drawn together by trails of dirt. Come join us!

#### **Reel Rock 7: Honnold 3.0**

USA, 2012, 33 minutes

#### **Best Film, Climbing**

Focus: rock climbing

Alex Honnold is a bit of an enigma. He's become known as the boldest soloist of his generation, but how does he balance pure ambition with self-preservation? Honnold wrestles with this question in preparation for his biggest adventure yet - the Yosemite Triple.