Banff Film Selections Salt Lake City, UT
February 19, 20 & 21, 2013

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FILM DESCRIPTIONS

1st Afghan Ski Challenge
Best Film. Mountain Sports – Sponsored by Live Out There
Switzerland, 2011, 17 minutes
Directed by: Hans-Urs Bachmann
Produced by: Alec Wohlgroth
Website: www.afghanskichallenge.com, www.halsundbeinbruch.ch
Classification: Parental Guidance, coarse language
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.

5 Races, 5 Continents (special edit)
South Africa, 2011, 11 minutes
Directed by: Dean Leslie
Produced by: Greg Fell
Website: www.theafricanattachment.com
Classification: Parental Guidance, no advisory
Focus: mountain running
A look into the world of mountain running, depicting the joy, pain, transformation, and inspiration found in races around the world.
The Denali Experiment
USA, 2011, 16 minutes
Directed by: Jimmy Chin
Produced by: Shannon Ethridge
Website: www.camp4collective.com
Classification: General, no advisory
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!

The Dream Factory (special edit)
USA, 2012, 27 minutes
Directed and Produced by: Teton Gravity Research
Website: www.tetongravity.com
Classification: General, no advisory
Focus: ski/snowboard
For the past 16 years, Teton Gravity Research has made the pilgrimage to America’s last frontier, Alaska: The Dream Factory. From the early gold rush days, to the rise of commercial fishing, to the explosion of the ski and snowboard freeride movement, people have left everything to follow their dreams and journey to this foreign, mystical land. The Dream Factory shows us the past, the present, and a glimpse at the future.

Ernest
USA, 2012, 5 minutes
Directed by: Samuel Bricker
Produced by: Nathan Ward
Classification: General, no advisory
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!

Flow Hunters (special edit)
2012, New Zealand, 9 minutes
Directed and Produced by: Jon Forder
Website: www.redbull.com
Classification: General, no advisory
Focus: kayaking
Some of the world’s best paddlers experience adventure and risk as they explore New Zealand’s white water.

The Gimp Monkeys
USA, 2012, 8 minutes
Directed by: Mikey Schaefer
Produced by: Fitz Cahall
Website: www.ducttapedthenbeer.com
Classification: General, coarse language
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
Directed and Produced by: Leanne Allison
Website: www.highwaywilding.org
Classification: General, no advisory
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.

Huck
USA, 2012, 6 minutes
Directed and Produced by: Andy Maser
Website: www.andymaser.com
Classification: General, no advisory
Focus: kayak
Evan Garcia considers both the risks and rewards of a life driven by big waterfalls.

Industrial Revolutions
Special Jury Mention
UK, 2011, 5 minutes
Directed by: Stu Thomson
Produced by: Mike Christie
Website: www.cutmedia.com
Classification: General, no advisory
Focus: trials biking
World renowned trials rider Danny MacAskill is at it again -- only this time he uses an abandoned ironworks as his playground!

Last of the Great Unknown
USA, 2012, 23 minutes
Directed by: Dan Ransom
Produced by: John Harlin III, Rich Rudow
Website: www.lastofthegreatunknown.com
Classification: General, no advisory
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.

Lily Shreds Trailside
2011, USA, 4 minutes
Directed and Produced by: Ross Downard
Website: www.rossdownard.com
Classification: General, no advisory
Focus: mountain biking, dog!
Just try to keep up with Lily - go ahead we dare ya!
Moonwalk
USA, 2011, 4 minutes
Directed and Produced by: Mikey Schaefer
Website: www.mikeyschaeferphotography.com
Classification: General, no advisory
Focus: Highlining
A full moon like no other!

Mountains in Motion: The Canadian Rockies (special edit)
USA, 2012, 10 minutes
Directed and Produced by: Paul Zizka, Doug Urquhart
Website: www.mountainsinmotion.ca
Classification: General, no advisory
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.

NDIZOTHEKA (it is possible) special edit
Canada, 2012, 46 minutes
Directed by: Benjamin Jordan
Produced by: Benjamin Jordan and Godfrey Masauli
Website: www.ndizotheka.com
Classification: General, no advisory
Focus: culture, paragliding
From opposite corners of the earth, two men are united by a common dream; to be the first to paraglide from Mount Mulanje, Malawi’s highest peak. Things go well until they discover that one has taken on a little more than he has bargained for –and the other has never learned to paraglide. In the end, their commitment to each other and to ideas not yet realized dissolves borders and creates opportunities neither anticipated. This delightful adventure will have you dancing out the door to the pulse of possibilities!

One Step Beyond
France, 2012, 57 minutes
Directed and Produced by: Sébastien Montaz-Rosset
Website: www.sebmontaz.com
Classification: General, no advisory
Focus: BASE Jumping, snow sports
World-renowned snowboarder and base jumper Géraldine Fasnacht tells a poignant and extremely personal story of friendship, loss, achievement, and angst mixed with incredible moments of euphoria. Living life in a whirlwind of adrenaline can take an enormous toll, though—and causes Fasnacht to reconsider her chosen path.
On the Road - Skiing the Void  
USA, 2012, 7 minutes  
Directed by: Nick Waggoner  
Produced by: Zac Ramras  
Website: www.sweetgrass-productions.com  
Classification: General, coarse language  
Focus: skiing, adventure  
Adrenaline Factor: Medium  
Add outstanding camera work and captivating narration to an expedition in South America –and you’re in for a sweet treat!

On Thin Sea Ice 2  
Norway, 2011, 2 minutes  
Directed and Produced by: Tor Eckhoff  
Website: www.facebook.com/apetorfilm  
Classification: General, no advisory  
Focus: Skating, swimming, vodka  
Slide away with simple pleasures: skating, bathing, and a little vodka!

Petzl RocTrip China  
The Banff Centre Award for Creative Excellence  
France, 2012, 23 minutes  
Directed and Produced by: Vladimir Cellier, Julien Nadiras, Guillaume Broust  
Website: www.barakaflims.com (it really is “flims”), www.petzl.com/roctrip  
Classification: General, no advisory  
Focus: climbing, culture  
Being stuck in traffic has never seemed so enchanting! A superb soundtrack of traditional music takes us to a remarkable spot that offers climbers from all over the world no fewer than 250 pitches on delicious limestone walls.

Reel Rock 7: Honnold 3.0  
Best Film, Climbing – Sponsored by the Alpine Club of Canada  
USA, 2012, 33 minutes  
Directed and Produced by: Josh Lowell, Peter Mortimer, Nick Rosen, Alex Lowther  
Website: www.reelrocktour.com  
Classification: Parental Guidance, coarse language  
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.
Reel Rock 7: Wide Boyz
Best Short Mountain Film – Sponsored by The North Face
USA, 2012, 12 minutes
From the feature film by: Paul Diffley & Chris Alstrin, www.hotaches.com
Special version created by: Peter Mortimer, Nick Rosen, Josh Lowell, Alex Lowther
Website: www.reelrocktour.com
Classification: Parental Guidance, coarse language
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.

Strength in Numbers (special edit)
Canada, 2012, 15 minutes
Directed by: Darcy Wittenburg
Produced by: Ian Dunn
Website: www.anthillfilms.com
Classification: General, no advisory
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!

Unicorn Sashimi
USA, 2012, 6 minutes
Directed by: Ben Knight
Produced by: Travis Rummel
Website: www.feltsoulmedia.com
Classification: General, no advisory
Focus: powder! Ski, snowboard, culture
This sweet piece of visual and musical poetry builds to a climax of Taiko drumming and swirling snow that will envelope you!

The Way Home
2011, United States, 9 minutes
Directed and Produced by: Amy Marquis
Website: www.npca.org
Classification: General, no advisory
Focus: culture
Although our national parks belong to all citizens, too few people of color ever visit them. Take a journey to Yosemite National Park with those looking to reverse that trend.

Wild Bill’s Run (special edit)
USA, 2012, 47 minutes
Directed and Produced by: Mike Scholtz
Website: www.wildbillsrun.com
Classification: General, no advisory
Focus: crazy adventure!
In 1972, American folk hero Wild Bill Cooper led a ragtag crew of adventurers on a most unlikely expedition over the top of the world, with goal of snowmobiling from Minnesota to Moscow. Filled with humour and misadventure, this amazing story is not like anything you have ever seen!