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FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS

Here's our pick of what you simply must not miss at this year's Festival.



HEADLINERS

In conversation with Charlotte Moore

Monday 12:00 Attenborough Auditorium

BBC Chief Content Officer and long time fan of natural history Charlotte Moore in frank conversation about the BBC's Natural History legacy, the evolution of the genre, its current output and her vision for the future of natural history on the BBC.

Interviewed by Alastair Fothergill, Executive Director, Silverback Films

Jack Bootle & Tom McDonald

Wednesday 14:00 Attenborough Auditorium

In conversation with, Chai Vasarhelyi Thursday 16:00 Attenborough Auditorium

State of the Industry

Thursday 10:30 Attenborough Auditorium



MASTERCLASSES

DAILY Parsons Theatre & Bristol Megascreen

These hour-long sessions provide you with practical tips and advice in a variety of disciplines delivered by experienced individuals from cinematographers to commisioners. Topics covered include a range of cinematography specialisms, scriptwriting, freelancer navigation and more! Sponsored Masterclasses from: RED, Leica and MPB

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday Parsons Theatre

Hear from commisioners, funding bodies, distributors and more. Featuring National Geographic, Albatross World Sales, Love Nature, ARTE France, BBC, National Science Foundation, NHK and more ...

WORKSHOPS

Workshops are new to Wildscreen 2024. Spaces are limited so make sure to pre-register to a workshop via the Festival App!

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PREMIERES / SPECIAL SCREENINGS

Boosting our festival lineup this year are the sponsored screenings of National Geographic's *Billy & Molly: An Otter Love Story*, and National Geographic Society's *Expedition Amazon*. Elsewhere, a UK Premiere for *#Hvaldimir*, *Conversation With A Spy Whale* and an introduction to the We The Curious Planetarium as a screening venue for the first time, help add some real freshness to Wildscreen 2024.

BILLY & MOLLY: AN OTTER LOVE STORY SUNDAY 13 19:45 Bristol Megascreen EXPEDITION AMAZON SPONSORED PREMIERE WEDNESDAY 16 18:45 Bristol Megascreen #HVALDIMIR, CONVERSATION WITH A SPY WHALE PREMIERE FRIDAY 18 12:00 Bristol Megascreen OUR PLANET PLANETARIUM SCREENINGS FRIDAY 18 18:00 We The Curious Planetarium

REMEMBER! All delegates can watch the full collection of Panda Award nominated films and Official Selection on our online platform



Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday Networking Hub

Join us each evening in the Kit Show, located in the Networking Hub at the Bristol Grand Mercure, for your chance to get your network on. Meet new people, reconnect with old friends, get collaborative and inspired during three dedicated networking evenings! Times are different each evening so check out the daily line-up.

WATERING HOLE PARTY

Tuesday 19:30 *Revolutions, Baldwin Street* This night is not one to miss! Just round the corner from our main festival venue, this night is the chance to let your hair down and have a boogie! There will be bowl food and drinks to help get the party started.

Please note: this event is free to full week pass holders and Tuesday day pass holders, but you <u>must</u> RSVP to the party via our event app.





Join us online for Wildscreen Festival 2024! Access live streams of: headline talks, panel sessions, masterclasses, book virtual meetings and chat to other delegates online! Also, watch the collection of Official Selection & Panda Award Nominees in our Film Library.

To get started, download the Wildscreen Festival app, log in to your account with the email you registered your ticket with and create a password. Once you're in, you can access the full programme and start your festival experience.

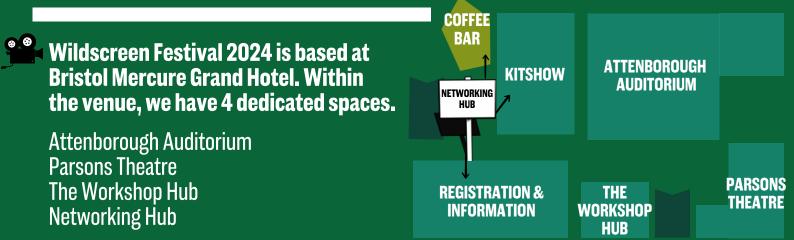
YOUR ONLINE EXPERIENCE

<u>Click the URL here to access the festival online!</u>



FESTIVAL VENUES

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- PANDA AWARDS CEREMONY HARBOUR HOTEL, CORN ST, BRISTOL, BSI 1HT
- WATERING HOLE PARTY REVOLUTIONS BRISTOL BALDWIN STREET, BRISTOL, BSI IQZ
- BBC STUDIOS ATRIUM BRIDGEWATER HOUSE, COUNTERSLIP, REDCLIFFE, BRISTOL, BSI 6BX
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USEFUL INFORMATION

Here are some terms you'll hear and see us use about this year's Wildscreen Festival programme:



SESSION

A panel of speakers will host a discussion around a specific theme or topic.

MASTERCLASS

A group of experienced individuals will share their insights and advice on a particular craft or topic.



SCREENING

Our Official Selection Films will have screenings across the festival week, including a director's Q&A.



WORKSHOP

New for Wildscreen 2024: a smaller, dedicated space in the Workshop Hub for interactive and hands-on sessions.

DECISION MAKERS

Commissioners, funding bodies, distributors and more sharing their insights and slate spaces.

HEADLINER

SOCIAL

A thought leader, industry head, or creative master sharing a keynote on a specific topic.

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connections! EMERGING TALENT PROGRAMME

A chance to get networking and make friends and

Suggestions to our emerging talent individuals for the bits not to miss!

ACCESSIBILITY

All of our venues are wheelchair accessible this year and you can find more information on the <u>AccessAble Website</u>.

DELEGATE BADGES

Festival passes can be collected from Mercure Grand on Sunday 13th October from 4:00pm. Registration is also open daily from 8:00am in the Networking Hub!

RESERVE YOUR PLACE

There's certain capacity limits in all our spaces, make sure to pre-register on the app and add what you'd like to go to on your schedule. At the venue, your QR code will be scanned upon entry.

FILM LIBRARY

Access the on-demand film library of Panda Award and Official Selection films via the app.

GETTING HERE

Our festival venues are not so far from one another, and you'll be able to discover some of central Bristol en route.

FESTIVAL APP

Scan the QR code, or search 'CrowdComms' in your app store:

Enter code: wildscreenfestival

Enter the email address you registered with and create a password

You now have access to the Wildscreen Festival app!

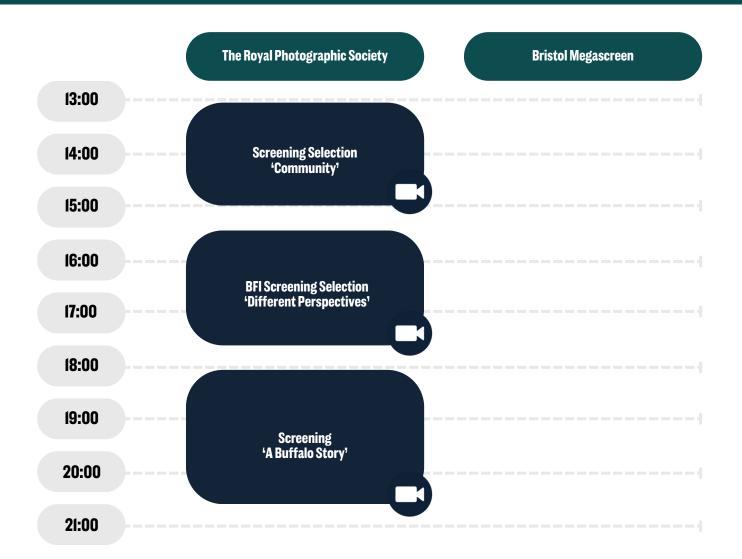
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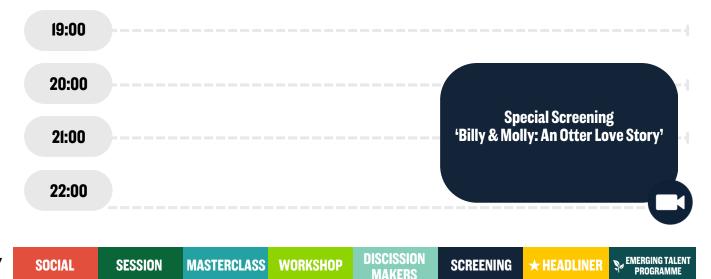


ANY QUESTIONS? CONTACT - BOOKINGS@WILDSCREEN.ORG.UK

SATURDAY 12 OCTOBER



SUNDAY 13 OCTOBER



KEY

MONDAY 14 OCTOBER



MONDAY



PARTICIPATORY FILMMAKING: INSPIRED AND INFORMED BY INDIGENOUS WISDOM

09:00 - 10:00 Attenborough Auditorium

Hosted by: Rosa Vasquez Espinoza Speakers: Lucia Florez, Gustavo Carrasco, Clancy Walker, Kristina Obame

Platforming storytellers and filmmakers that seek to include and work with indigenous communities at the heart of their storytelling, both within the film's narrative, and alongside the production of (and considering the impact of the film). How can filmmakers manage these relationships, making the partnership and participation fair, inclusive, impactful and ethical.



IN CONVERSATION WITH: CHARLOTTE MOORE

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Attenborough Auditorium

Hosted by: Alastair Fothergill Speakers: Charlotte Moore

BBC Chief Content Officer and long time fan of natural history Charlotte Moore in frank conversation about the BBC's Natural History legacy, the evolution of the genre, its current output and her vision for the future of natural history on the BBC.



Natural History Unit



OFFICIAL SELECTION CELEBRATION

17:00 - 18:30

Attenborough Auditorium

Hosted by: Lizzie Daly Speakers: Alison Barrat, SVP of Development and Production at Love Nature, Shaunak Sen, Director

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Start your day by meeting some new and friendly faces! This is an informal meet up in the Networking Hub and a great chance to introduce yourself and get to know people ahead of the first sessions kicking off - everybody welcome!

SESSION

OUR INDUSTRY IS INHERENTLY EXTRACTIVE...HOW DO WE FIX THIS?

14:00 - 15:00 Attenbergueb Audit

Attenborough Auditorium

Hosted by: James Smith Speakers: Janet Han Vissering, Duncan Scott & João Paulo Krajewski

Executive Producer James Smith talks to an international panel - Nat Geo Senior Vice President Janet Han Vissering, Zambian Fixer Duncan Scott and Brazilian Producer João Paulo Krajewski about the solutions needed to create equal access to our industries content.



SHOW ME THE MONEY: ALTERNATIVE FUNDING

15:30 - 16:30 Attenborough Auditorium

Hosted by: Emre Izat Speakers: Greg Boustead, Kevin Clark (remote), Rachael Strecher

The question on everyone's lips, "how can I fund my film?"Join a discussion with funding bodies, filmmakers, and producers, to hear how they have cracked the code on sourcing funding through alternative routes. Delving into how to build philanthropic connections, apply for funds and grants, and navigate the alt-funding space.

Join us in closing the first full day of Wildscreen Festival 2024, by celebrating our Official Selection filmmakers. 36 films from 20 countries were selected by our Programmers, representing a wealth of talent from all corners of the globe. An innovative platform for new talent and underrepresented voices in the natural world storytelling industry. The celebration will also feature an interview with 2022 Official Selection director, Shaunak Sen, sharing his insights into the creation of of 'All that Breathes', his Oscar-nominated documentary.



MONDAY



Speakers: TBC

You know your idea is great. You have one shot at selling it. What do you do?



DECISION MAKERS

LOVE NATURE & QUINTUS MEDIA

10:30 - 11:30 Parsons Theatre

Speakers: Alison Barrat, Adam Jacobs

Hear from Alison Barrat, SVP of Development and Production at Love Nature, and Adam Jacobs, Creative Director of Quintus media to see what's on their slate for the coming year of Natural History commissioning, aquisition and co-production.



MASTERCLASS

CREATING A BUZZ: THE NATURE OF DIGITAL STORYTELLING

12:00 - 13:00 Parsons Theatre

Speakers: TBC

Hear from digital storytelling specialists on how to make the most out of your film across platforms. To generate engagement and excitement for your project.



NATURE'S PUNCHLINES: INJECTING YOUR SCRIPT WITH COMEDY

14:00 - 15:00 Parsons Theatre

Speakers: Jeff Wilson & Polly Billam

Join this scriptwriting masterclass and learn how you can bring a touch of comedy to your Natural History films. Whether that's writing for a specific voice-over artist, or bringing a light-hearted relief to your audience, find out how with Jeff and Polly.



MASTERCLASS

DEVELOPMENT BOOTCAMP

15:30 - 16:30

Parsons Theatre

Hosted by: Sreya Biswas

Speakers: Anwar Mamon, Jess Coleman, Charlie Parsons, Sabine Holzer

What makes a good idea into a great film? How do you come up with a golden idea in the first place? In this session we dig deep into development to get to the root of why some ideas become amazing films and some just don't cut it. Expect to walk away with a note-book full of ideas, for your ideas!



DECISION MAKERS

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

17:00 - 17:30

Parsons Theatre

Hosted by: Hugh Pearson Speakers: Kevin Clark

Hear from Kevin Clark Program Director of the National Science Foundation (NSF). Director, Filmmaker and previous NSF Grant recipient, Hugh Pearson, will lead a discussion with Kevin to understand the intricacies of applying for NSF funding, how to navigate the application process, and what NSF rules and regulations apply if you are successful!

MONDAY



SYNC WORKSHOP: THE ART OF INTERVIEWS

WORKSHOP

09:00 - 11:00

The Workshop Hub

Speakers: Katie Mayhew & Natalie Clements

Human-nature stories are such a vital element in natural world storytelling, and interviewing and recording sync is a powerful skill to have under your belt. Join this limited capacity workshop to hear more about how to master the art of interviews. Limit: 50 attendees



WORKSHOP

DATA WRANGLING AND WORKFLOW

12:00 - 13:30

The Workshop Hub

Speakers: TBC

Join Films at 59 and CCK for a hands on workshop. This session is aimed at anyone with the responsibility of managing rushes offloads and back-ups on location.

It will cover the importance of having more than one secure copy and how this process feeds into the whole post-production workflow.

There will be a practical demonstration which will include kit set up and the offload/verification process.



WORKSHOP

HOW TO SIZZLE ON SCREEN: A WORKSHOP FOR ON-SCREEN TALENT

14:30-16:30

The Workshop Hub

Speakers: Jo Sarsby Management, and more

Submit your on-screen showreel for the chance to receive tailored feedback from a panel of industryleaders who specialise in discovering and working with on-screen talent. Six individuals will be selected to receive live feedback on their showreel from a panel of experts, in front of a live audience. Submissions from festival attendees only: **LINK HERE**

MASTERCLASS

CINEMATOGRAPHY OF QUEENS 09:00 - 10:00

Bristol Megascreen

Hosted by: Naida Albright Speakers: Justine Evans, Erica Rugabandana, Wickliffe Odera & Erin Ranney

Members of the award winning cinematography team from Queens will discuss the planning and process of capturing some of the most captivating images of 2024. This series conveyed a special emotional connection with the animals and their environments and the team will tell us more about how they achieved this unique perspective.

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MASTERCLASS

CINEMATOGRAPHY MASTERS: UNDERWATER

10:30 - 11:30

Bristol Megascreen

Speakers: Christina Karliczek Skoglund, Hans Ngoteya

Join us on our cinematography series; it's time to dive deep into the tips and tricks of filmmaking under the surface. Underwater masters will share their expertise on capturing the world beneath the waves, from open water pelagics, to lush coral gardens!



CINEMATOGRAPHY MASTERS: LONG-LENS

12:00 - 13:00 **Bristol Megascreen**

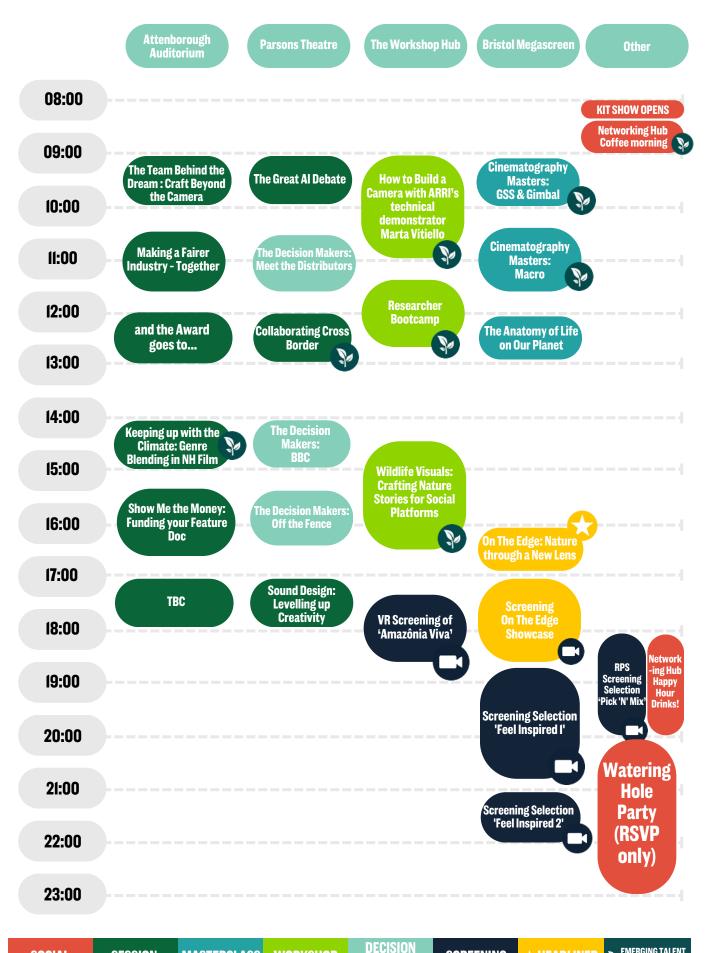
Speakers: Justine Evans. Sue Gibson

Sponsored by MPB: Masters of the craft take you on a journey, which is often spent sitting still and patient for hours. The long-lens life can be a slow one, but the money-shots come in those moments when you're least expecting...when you're just about to hang up your lens for the day ...

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TUESDAY 15 OCTOBER



SOCIAL

SESSION

MASTERCLASS

WORKSHOP

MAKERS

SCREENING



THE TEAM BEHIND THE DREAM: CRAFT BEYOND THE CAMERA

09:00 - 10:00 Attenborough Auditorium

Host: Gavin Boyland Speakers: Wickliffe Odera, Steve Simpson, Rene Araneda

It's time to celebrate the specialist, indispensable craft skills of those people we work with in the field – drivers, guides, fixers and scientists - whose expertise and dedication are integral to successful wildlife filmmaking. We'll discuss the industry from their point of view – the good and bad of working with international productions and look at how we can help create better ongoing relationships for the benefit of all.



MAKING A FAIRER INDUSTRY – TOGETHER

10:30 - 11:30 Attenborough Auditorium

Host: Chloe Sarosh

Speakers: Abdullah Khan, Vanessa Berlowitz, Sreya Biswas

How do we make our industry fairer and more inclusive? We ask what commitments production companies can make and how commissioners can support them. We explore the projects working to support underrepresented talent and hear from the filmmakers who are bringing their skills to the table.

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SOCIAL

08:00 - 10:00

Networking Hub

Sponsored by Love Nature.

A morning of coffee and networking!







MORNING NETWORKING

AND THE AWARD GOES TO...

12:00 - 13:00 Attenborough Auditorium

Host: Oli Harbottle Speakers: Karni Arieli, Shaunak Sen, Greg Boustead

Hear from Oscar, Emmy, Peabody and BAFTA-nominated filmmakers whose nature and science stories break the mold and spill over to mass audiences, scooping up bagfuls of awards in the process. What makes an award winner stand out from the crowd?

SESSION KEEPING UP WITH THE CLIMATE: GENRE BLENDING IN NATURAL HISTORY FILMMAKING

14:00 - 15:00 Attenborough Auditorium

Host: Sreya Biswas Speakers: Alice MacMohan Major, Chloe Campbell



SHOW ME THE MONEY: FUNDING YOUR FEATURE DOC

15:30 - 16:30 Attenborough Auditorium

Hosted by: Kylie Stott Speakers: Oli Harbottle, Walter Koehler, Debra Aroko

The second discussion in our funding series at this year's festival. Honing in on the specifics of getting your Feature Documentary funded. Hear from experts with the tried-and-tested methods of sourcing funding in the documentary filmmaking space.



09:00 - 10:00 Parsons Theatre

Speakers: Aaron Davies

What does the future hold with AI in the filmmaking industry? This panel will ask just this. Led by a number of leading AI experts, including sceptics, pragmatists, believers and those already using AI to help protect the world around us, this session isn't one to miss.



DECISION MAKERS

MEET THE DISTRIBUTORS

10:30 - 11:30

Parsons Theatre

Speakers: Poppy McAlister, Anne Olzmann, Amy Stone, Valentin Romero

Representatives from Albatross World Sales, TVF International, ITVS and 3Box Media come together to share what distribution means to them, how they operate and how you can distribute your film.



COLLABORATING CROSS BORDER

12:00 - 13:00 **Parsons Theatre**

Hosted by: Faith Musembi

Speakers: Andres Sehinkman, Erica Rugabandana, Della Golding

In a world where stories transcend borders, this panel explores the exciting realm of cross-border collaborations in natural history filmmaking. The panel will share their experiences navigating cultural differences, time zones and creative challenges to craft compelling universal narratives. Discover how global partnerships can spark innovation and create powerful stories that resonate worldwide.

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DECISION MAKERS

14:00 - 15:00 **Parsons Theatre**

Speakers: Jack Bootle, Sreya Biswas

Hear from Sreya Biswas Head of Natural History, BBC Commissioning and Jack Bootle, Head of Specialist Factual Commissioning, BBC, to see what's on their slate for the coming year of Natural History commissioning.

DECISION MAKERS

OFF THE FENCE

15:30 - 16:30 **Parsons Theatre**

Speakers: TBC

Hear from Off the Fence about what they are looking for in third party co-pros, and how they go about distributing programmes and films.

SESSION

SOUND DESIGN: LEVELLING UP CREATIVITY

17:00 - 18:00 **Parsons Theatre**

Hosted by: Lina Tebbs Speakers: Ellie Williams, Marco Capalbo, Barry Donnelly, Alex Parkinson

This session explores how we can use sound to amplify storytelling in bold and ambitious ways, building the sensory experience, influencing emotion and revealing unwritten secrets in the narrative. The speakers will also share their innovative approaches to collecting, crafting and creating sound with maximum impact.

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HOW TO BUILD A CAMERA WITH ARRI

09:00 - 11:00

The Workshop Hub

Speakers: Marta Vitiella, ARRI.

Split into two slots of one hour each, this workshop is a practical opportunity to work with the latest state-of-the-art cameras, gaining hands-on experience that is invaluable in the industry. Take part in building the latest ALEXA cameras for both studio and handheld configurations. Once built, we will move on to rigging the cameras for professional applications. Spaces on this masterclass are limited to 15 per slot

If you're unable to attend this workshop please check out ARRI's stand in the Kit Show for some more handson experiences with the ARRI kit!

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RESEARCHER BOOTCAMP

11:30 - 13:30

The Workshop Hub,

Speakers: Sharmila Choudhury, Andy Radford

What exactly does a TV Researcher do? What does it take to be good Researcher? And how do you get a foot in the door of wildlife filmmaking?

This workshop will give you in insight into natural history filmmaking and what to expect if you land a job as a researcher. It will also talk about the challenges and rewards of collaborating with the scientific community, which are crucial in helping us find new stories.

WORKSHOPS HAVE LIMITED SPACE: DON'T FORGET TO Book your spot on the festival app!



WILDLIFE VISUALS: CRAFTING NATURE STORIES FOR SOCIAL PLATFORMS

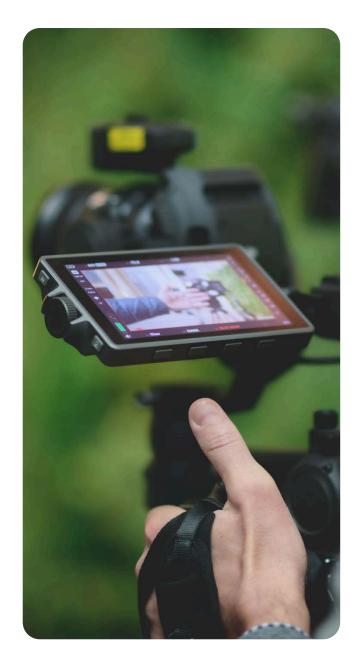
14:30 - 16:30

The Workshop Hub

Speakers: Roxy Furman .

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MASTERCLASS

CINEMATOGRAPHY MASTERS: GSS & GIMBAL

09:00 - 10:00

Bristol Megascreen

Hosted by: Faith Musembi

Speakers: Gavin Thurston, & TBC Let's dive into the dynamic world of GSS and Gimbal filming! A masterclass focused on the precision and skill needed to harness these cutting-edge stabilisation systems, capturing smooth, cinematic shots from any perspective.



MASTERCLASS

CINEMATOGRAPHY MASTERS: MACRO

10:30 - 11:30 Bristol Megascreen

Hosted by: Paul Williams

Speakers: Mark Payne-Gill, Mohan Sandhu, Katie Mayhew

Let's get up close and personal with the macro masters! A masterclass dedicated to the intricate expertise required to capture the magic of the often unseen worlds.



MASTERCLASS

ANATOMY OF 'LIFE ON OUR PLANET' SPO

12:00 - 13:00 Bristol Megascreen SPONSORED BY:

Hosted by: Naida Albright

Speakers: Dan Tapster, Sophie Lanfear, Barny Revill, Jonathan Privett

Described by the New Yorker as "the most ambitious nature documentary ever made" Netflix's Life on Our Planet combines epic wildlife scenes from today with world-class VFX creatures from bygone eras to tell the greatest story of all - the story of life. Silverback's Dan Tapster, Sophie Lanfear and Barny Revill will be joined by Industrial Light and Magic's Jonathan Privett to reveal the anatomy of this production and how it was brought to life over six challenging years!



ON THE EDGE: NATURE THROUGH A NEW LENS

16:00 - 17:00

Bristol Megascreen

Hosted by: TBC Speakers: Myles Storey, Tania Ãlvarez Escobar, Will Clothier, Nikki Tan, Bambby Cheuk, Evangelista Wan

Meet the filmmakers who are producing films outside of the typical natural history box. In partnership with On the Edge and supported through the Edge of Nature: Short Film Fund, a group of incredible emerging filmmakers make their mark on the wildlife filmmaking map with their fresh take on telling nature's stories. Think drag queens, drama, long-distance romances, comedy and more - these directors are ones to watch.

SPONSORED BY: ON THE EDGE



SCREENINGS

THE EDGE OF NATURE FILM FUND: PREMIERE FILM SCREENINGS

Join us for the World Premiere of the films produced through the Edge of Nature: Short Film Fund. Over the last year, four talented, emerging natural world storytelling teams have been creating fresh, out-of-the-box stories aimed to engage GenZ audiences and spotlight EDGE species and habitats. These short films are guaranteed to inspire, transport and make you think differently about how we connect new audiences with nature through storytelling.

Would You Still Love Me If I Was a Sticky Frog?

Directed by Myles Storey A young couple in a long distance relationship imagine themselves as three different EDGE species in Malaysia.

Madame Margaux

Directed by Nikki Tan

What do a warbler and a drag queen have in common? Both are undiscovered, until now. Meet Madame Margaux, a Queen who seamlessly blends her art and passion for nature to inspire others to protect it.

The Maya Forest: When a Tapir Gazes Upon You

Directed by Tania Alvarez Escobar A group of children go on an adventure through the Maya Forest in search of the tapir. Their journey traverses myth, jungle and memory.

Ramfy

Directed by Will Clothier Wildlife filmmaker, Will Clothier, returns to South Africa in search of a very special pangolin called Ramfy.

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WEDNESDAY



CREATORS MASTERCLASS

09:00 - 10:00

Attenborough Auditorium

Speakers: Eva Zu Beck, Lizzie Daly

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10:30 - 11:30 Attenborough Auditorium

Hosted by Edwina Thring Speakers: Carlyn Staudt, Berend Dreier, Andre Crawford-Brunt

FAST TV is a billion dollar industry. It stands for "free, ad-supported television," and services such as Tubi and Pluto TV are among the best-known platforms in the game. In the US alone, you can access more than 1,000 channels, many of which are natural history channels. This panel the panel consists of leaders at the forefront of the FAST business. Discover which FAST channels are streaming wildlife productions. Find out how you can get your film on a FAST channel. Explore how you monetize on FAST.

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THE PSYCHOLOGY OF YOUNG HEARTS AND MINDS

12:00 - 13:00 Attenborough Auditorium

Hosted by Wendy Darke Speakers: Greg Maio, Steve Backshall, Ashwika Kapur SOCIAL MORNING NETWORKING 08:00 - 08:30 Networking Hub

Start your day by meeting some new and friendly faces! This is an informal meet up in the Networking Hub and a great chance to introduce yourself and get to know people ahead of the first sessions kicking off - everybody welcome!



TOM MCDONALD & JACK BOOTLE

14:00 - 15:00

Attenborough Auditorium

Speakers: Tom McDonald and Jack Bootle



HEADLINER

WILDPITCH

15:30 - 17:00 Attenborough Auditorium

Hosted by

Speakers: Sabine Holzer, Janet Han Vissering Sara Edelson, Sarah Willingham

The fan favourite is back! Nine individuals (or teams) across three categories, will each have 3 minutes to pitch their nature-centred film idea to a jury of leading commissioners and senior executives, in front of a live audience at Wildscreen Festival 2024. The three most original and exciting projects will each win a cash prize of \$8,000.

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Learn from psychology expert, Greg Maio as he shares scientifically grounded insights on the psychology of changing hearts and minds. In this session we will explore our values and behaviours towards the natural world with a focus on connecting young audiences to nature, focusing on specific case studies in feature documentary, and children's natural history television.

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WEDNESDAY



DECISION MAKERS: ARTE FRANCE & SVT

09:00 - 10:00 **Parsons Theatre**

Speakers: Laura Miret, Laurene Mansuy, Mikel Osterby

Hear from Laura Miret, Commissioning Editor of ARTE France, Laurene Mansuy, Acquisition Manager of ARTE France, and Mikel Osterby, responsible for non-scripted acquisitions at SVT, to see what's on their slate for the coming year of Natural History commissioning, acquisition and co-production.



SESSION

AI WON'T TAKE YOUR JOB, BUT THE PERSON THAT CAN USE IT BETTER THAN YOU WILL...

10:30 - 11:30

Parsons Theatre

Speakers: Eline van Der Velden, Christopher Paetkau, Rob Hifle

In a time of great uncertainty in the industry, will Al create new tools that will allow us to innovate out of the current lull and engage with new audiences? Al's application is expanding rapidly in the development, production and post-production of filmmaking. Though it's a subject matter that divides opinion, this session will be led by a host of Al advocates in the nature space, who will share their expertise and experiences using it.



DECISION MAKERS

NHK & NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC

12:00 - 13:00

Parsons Theatre

Speakers: TBC

Hear from Makoto Kita of NHK and representatives from National Geographic to see what's on their slate for the coming year of Natural History commissioning.



EXPEDITION FILMMAKING

14:00 - 15:00 Parsons Theatre

Hosted by Anwar Mamon Speakers: Dan O'Neill, Steve Backshall, Anita Barrett, Susanna Hanslip

Join a panel of experienced filmmakers, presenters, scientists and fixers, as they share their unique approaches to the challenges and rewards of expedition filmmaking. Through realworld case studies, discover how these individuals capture the raw beauty and unpredictability of remote locations, and the techniques they use to tell compelling stories in the most extreme environments on Earth.



CINEMATOGRAPHY MASTERS: DRONES

15:30 - 16:30

Parsons Theatre

Speakers: Darren Clementson & Abi Thomas

Explore the world of drone cinematography! This masterclass delves into the unique skills and techniques that make drones an essential tool for capturing stunning, cinematic aerial views, transforming how stories are told from above.

WEDNESDAY



CAPTURING WILDLIFE ON THE ALPHA RANGE

09:00 - 11:00

The Workshop Hub

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WILDLIFE FILMMAKING WITH THE SONY BURANO: IN DISCUSSION WITH CHRIS SCHMID

<mark>11:30 - 13:30</mark> The Workshop Hub

Speakers: Chris Schmid

Chris Schmid, an accomplished Director of Photography with over a decade of experience specializing in natural history, will be joined by Sony Business Development Manager, Will Newman, to share his experiences and insights on using the Sony BURANO camera for his recent projects. "A Day to Remember," follows Melanie and her wildlife filled days in Zambia's beautiful national parks. And "Unwavering", a documentary exploring the life of resilient muskoxen in the harsh Arctic habitats.

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FILMS AT 59 Post production sound for Natural History

10:00 - 11:45

Films at 59



UNDERSTANDING NEURODIVERSITY: THE KEY TO UNLOCKING CREATIVE POTENTIAL

14:30-16:30

The Workshop Hub

Speakers: Lucy Smith, Sophie Morgan

Teams are better and have fresher ideas when they have a variety of perspectives and skill sets. But people who think differently flourish in different environments. We will be bringing together neurodiverse talent, top level industry management and inclusivity experts in an informal setting to explore the tips and techniques that can not only support neurodistinct creatives, but increase the contentment and productivity of a whole team. There will be networking opportunities at the end of the session.



SIPS N TIPS: HOW TO SURVIVE IN THE FIELD

17:00 - 18:00

The Workshop Hub

Speakers: TBC

Join us ahead of Networking happy hour to hear from experts in the field, sharing their tips and tricks for surviving the good the bad... and the ugly! Expect useful advice, funny fails, medical insights and more, then follow on through to the Netoworking Hub for happy hour drinks with ARRI!

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THURSDAY 17 OCTOBER



KEY

THURSDAY



SCIENCE IN STORYTELLING

09:00 - 10:00 Attenborough Auditorium

Hosted by Liz Bonnin

Speakers: Thomas Peschak, Sophie Darlington, Emma Ross, Catherine Macdonald

There are scientists making extraordinary discoveries, fighting for the last wild places, and figuring out mysteries on our changing planet. And then there are storytellers: the people who can weave fact into fascination and find the heart in a hive of statistics. But how do they work together; fairly, effectively, to the benefit of each other – and our natural world?

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HEADLINER

ADDRESSING THE ELEPHANT IN THE ROOM: AN INDUSTRY IN FLUX

10:30 - 11:30 Attenborough Auditorium

Speakers: Vanessa Berlowitz, Keith Scholey, Walter Koehler

There is a cold wind blowing through our industry affecting large numbers of our community – what does that mean for the future of the wildlife and environmental genre? Are there lessons from the past that can help inform the future, or are we in a brand new world? As production company founders and experienced filmmakers themselves, what would the panel be doing, knowing what they know now, if they were in the mid point of their career? And what does a good future look like to them?



GEN-SEA: INCLUSIVITY BENEATH THE WAVES

12:00 - 13:00 Attenborough Auditorium

Hosted by Lizzie Daly Speakers: Mads St Clair, Nova West, Shin Arunrugstichai

SOCIAL

MORNING NETWORKING 08:00 - 08:30 Networking Hub Start your day by meeting some new and friendly faces! This is an informal meet up in the Networking Hub and a great chance to introduce yourself and get to know people ahead of the first sessions kicking off - everybody welcome!



SHOW ME THE MONEY: HOW TO FUND YOUR (CO)PRODUCTION

14:00 - 15:30

Attenborough Auditorium

Hosted by Alison Barrat Speakers: Bettina Dalton, Lilla Hurst, Laura Miret, Wei Su

In today's media climate funding your project is tougher than ever, but by working with several partners in a co-production it is possible to get well funded wildlife films into production. Discover how co-production agreements, distribution partnerships, commissioners, and government subsidies can collaboratively fund and support natural history projects. By understanding the interplay between these funders, as well as what it takes to successfully deliver to several masters, producers can navigate the tricky world of co production and get ambitious natural history projects financed.

HEADLINER

IN CONVERSATION WITH: CHAI VASARHELYI

16:00 - 17:00

Attenborough Auditorium

Speakers: Chai Vasarhelyi

Joining the festival remotely for a live, Headline interview, Oscar-winning Director Chai Vasarhelyi, known for Free Solo and Nyad, will share her stories of human exploration and endeavour, her journey with latest documentary film Endurance which premiers at the BFI London Film Festival this October, and building a more representative doc genre.

Join a panel of four trailblazers in the marine world as they dive deep into efforts to promote inclusivity beneath the waves. These passionate individuals are breaking barriers and driving change, working to increase awareness, diversity, and education around ocean conservation and the vibrant communities connected to it.

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MASTERCLASS

BEYOND GREEN HOLLYWOOD

09:00 - 10:00 Parsons Theatre

Hosted by Chadden Hunter Speakers: Suugandhi Gadadhar, Sara Matasick, Marlen Hundertmark

Bristol has long been a hub for independent wildlife production companies, dubbed 'Green Hollywood' it's estimated that a third of the world's wildlife documentaries are made here. For many a move to Bristol can unlock doors and opportunities, but many have carved themselves space in this competitive market while rarely stepping foot in the city. Join us to learn all the tips from 4 successful and international filmmakers making waves. From contracts, getting paid and insurance to providing (and holding back) local intel. Learn the tips to make it big without making the move.



LISTENING SESSION: BENKI PIYAKO

10:30 - 11:30

Parsons Theatre

Speakers: Benki Piyako

In this special listening session, immerse yourself in a remarkable story from the Amazon with Ashaninka indigenous leader, BENKI PIYÃKO recounting his multiple prize-winning work to replant and restore vast forest areas, and revive local cultures. Rediscover the importance of the connection between flourishing life and thriving cultures and indigenous lifeways.



MASTERCLASS

NAVIGATING THE FREELANCER WORLD

12:00 - 13:00

Parsons Theatre

Hosted by Kimberly Godbolt

Speakers: Izzy Sassada, Libby Penman, Natalie Triebwasser

This session offers valuable insights and practical advice on navigating the freelance landscape, building connections, and sustaining a successful career in the ever-evolving world of television production.



CINEMATOGRAPHY MASTERS: EXTREMES

14:00 - 15:00

Parsons Theatre

Hosted by Alex Walters Speakers: Luke Nelson, Erin Ranney, Nicki Meharg

From living in caves to wait for the *perfect* light, to working at extreme temperatures to capture those epic adaptations, meet the cinematographers and experts who are taking their careers to the extremes and battling the elements (in the safest ways possible!) to bring you the money shot.

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SESSION

EXPANDING THE ECHO CHAMBER

15:30 - 16:30

Parsons Theatre

Hosted by Ben Garrod Speakers: David Leach, Jason Spingarn-Koff & TBC

How do we communicate natural world stories and convey 'stories' of climate change and habitat destruction to the 'fence sitters'. We are in the industry because we care, a lot of people watch our content because they care. How do we encourage an audience that is neither here nor there?



STORIES THAT CHANGE THE WORLD

17:00 - 18:00

Parsons Theatre

Hosted by Alex Bowmer

Speakers: Chris Howard, Carolina Fernandes

Explore the power of impact storytelling through the lens of experienced filmmakers. Hear how different creators approach storytelling with purpose, highlighting successful case studies that demonstrate its importance in driving change. This session offers a deep dive into the ways impactful narratives can resonate with audiences and make a lasting difference in the production process, and the communities, habitats and species they portray.

THURSDAY



FAIL TO PLAN, PLAN TO FAIL: A GUIDE TO REMOTE RISK ASSESSING

09:00 - 11:00

The Workshop Hub

Speakers: James Lawrence

Hosted by Peregrine Risk Management, this workshop will focus on planning for remote locations; how to protect your crew, kit and work with in-country teams to ensure a smooth and risk-free production.







INCLUSIVE PLANNING: A RISK GUIDE FOR FIELD TEAMS

II:30 - I3:30 The Workshop Hub

Speakers: James Lawrence

Hosted by Peregrine Risk Management, this workshop equips key team members with strategies to plan and risk assess productions inclusively. Taking into account other country's cultures and laws, whilst ensuring a respectful and safe production environment for *all* team members.

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IMPACT PRODUCTION 101 FOR NATURE: AND HOW IT CAN TRANSLATE INTO MAINSTREAM FILM AND TELEVISION

14:30 - 16:30

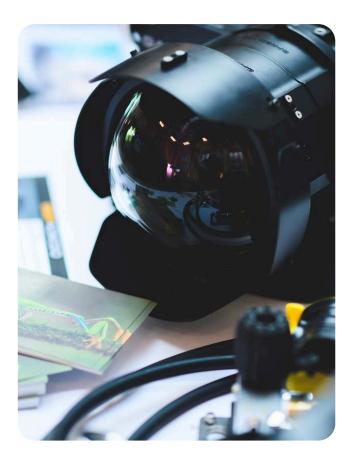
The Workshop Hub

Speakers: Cherique Pohl & Reina-Marie Loader

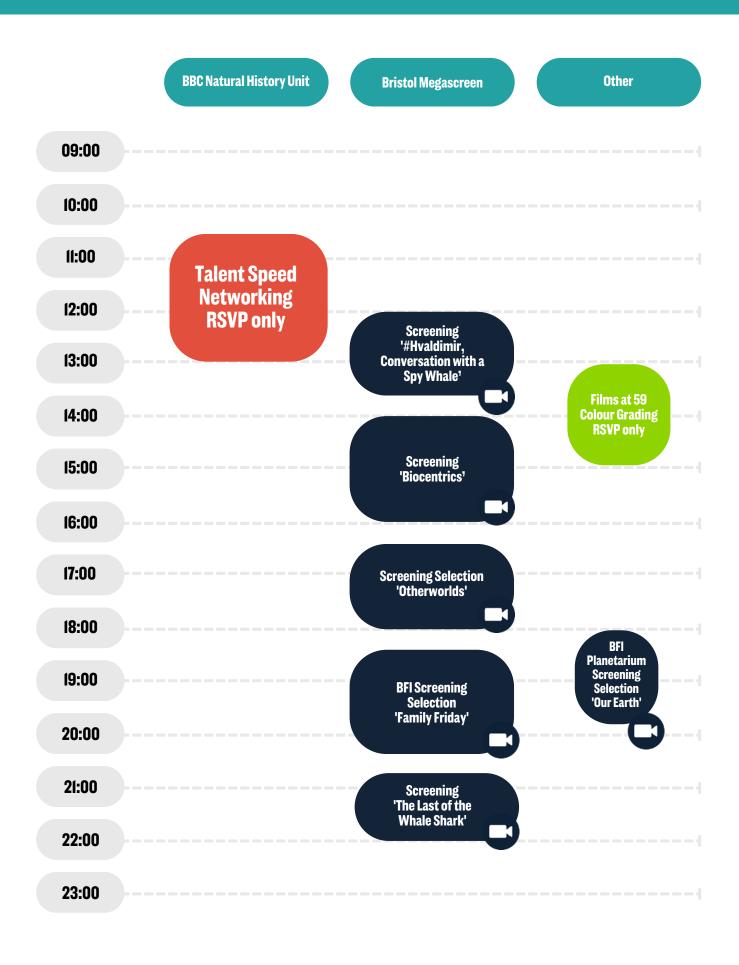
Anyone interested in learning about impact production is welcome to join this workshop at Wildscreen. From independent filmmakers to television executives, everyone is welcome. This two-hour workshop will equip you with the basics of impact production by discussing useful case studies and providing you with actionable worksheets to implement impact thinking in your own productions. Two participants will also be selected to receive a one-on-one impact strategy development session with ImpactWild. Preparation for the workshop involves completing an online survey.

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FRIDAY 18 OCTOBER



NETWORKING, MENTORSHIP & MORE



WORKSHOP

FILMS AT 59 COLOUR GRADING WORKSHOP 13:00 - 15:00

Films at 59 Offices

Speakers: TBC



WILDSCREEN MENTORSHIP SCHEME

We are thrilled to announce the first ever Wildscreen Festival Mentorship Scheme. The programme will connect 50 mentees with industry experts who will provide a 30-minute mentoring session during the Festival. The Wildscreen Festival 2024 Mentorship Scheme is kindly sponsored by BBC Studios Natural History Unit.

Talent at all career stages are welcome to apply! Please note that you are able to sign up as both a Mentee and Mentor. You must be a Wildscreen Festival 2024 delegate to participate in the programme.



TALENT SPEED NETWORKING: TAKING THE NEXT STEP

Friday 10:30 - 13:00 BBC Natural History Unit

We're inviting early and mid-career Assistant Producers, Edit Assistants, Production Coordinators and Researchers to sit down one to one with Talent Managers, Producers and Executives to discuss progression and upcoming opportunities in the Natural History Storytelling industry. Priority Access for Wildscreen Network members until 27th September, only open to festival delegates. Limited spaces available, registration required.

Register to attend here.

Priority Access for Wildscreen Network members until IOam 26th September. Non-Network members will be able to apply from IOam on the 26th. Limited spaces available, registration required.

If you would like to sign up to be a Mentor on the programme, you can do so via **<u>this link!</u>**

If you would like to sign up to be a Mentee on the programme, you can do so via **<u>this link!</u>**

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FESTIVAL SPEAKERS



Charlotte Moore Chief Content Officer BBC



Tom McDonald EVP Global Factual & Unscripted *National Geographic*





Jack Bootle Head of Specialist Factual Commissioning *BBC*

Chai Vasarhelyi Documentary Director and Filmmaker

FESTIVAL SPEAKERS



Sabine Holzer Head of Specialist Factual *Terra Mater Studios*



Alex Walters Assistant Producer *BBC Natural History Unit*



Rosa Vasquez Espinoza Executive Director *Amazon Research International*



Gustavo Carrasco Filmmaker *Ayaymama Films*



Clancy Walker

Documentary Filmmaker

Director & Cinematographer



Kevin Clark Program Director *National Science Foundation*



Justine Evans Wildlife Cinematographer



Barry Donnely Sound Designer & Rerecording Mixer Audio One



Emma Ross Head of Development *Big Wave Productions*



Catherine Macdonald Director Shark Research & Conservation Programme, University of Miami











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Mohan Sandhu Camera Operator & Engineer

Hans Ngoteya Director & Cinematographer *Ngoteya Wild*



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Lucia Florez

El Taller.pe

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Thomas Peschak

Seas Foundation

Erin Ranney

Cinematographer

National Geographic & Save our

Photographer & Director of Storytelling

Andres Sehinkman **Director & Scriptwriter** Planta Alta



Laura Miret **Commissioning Editor**

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Steve Backshall Natural History TV Presenter, Adventurer & Author



Liz Bonnin Wildlife Biologist & Science, Natural History and Environmental Broadcaster



Alison Barrat SVP Production and Development Love Nature



Izzy Sasada Journalist & Producer







Sophie Darlington

Jason Spingarn-Koff

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Climate Journalism

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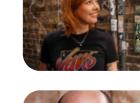
Wildlife Cinematographer

Marco Capalbo Fditor & Sound Editor

Adam Jacobs **Creative Director Quintus Studios**

Shin Arunrugstichai Photojournalist









FESTIVAL SPEAKERS



Polly Billam Writer *Wildstar*



Ashwika Kapur Director, Producer & Presenter *BBC Natural History Unit*



Carolina Fernandes Screenwriter, Director & Producer *Banksia Films*



Lizzie Daly Scientist, filmmaker and wildlife host



Darren Clementson Technical & Drone Manager *Silverback Films*







Greg Boustead Documentary Producer



Luke Nelson Cinematographer



Poppy McAlister Head of TVF International



















Lilla Hurst Global Head of Acquisitions & Content Strategy Blue Ant

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Dan O'Neill Biologist, wildlife filmmaker & explorer

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Libby Penman Filmmaker, speaker and tv presenter

KIT SHOW

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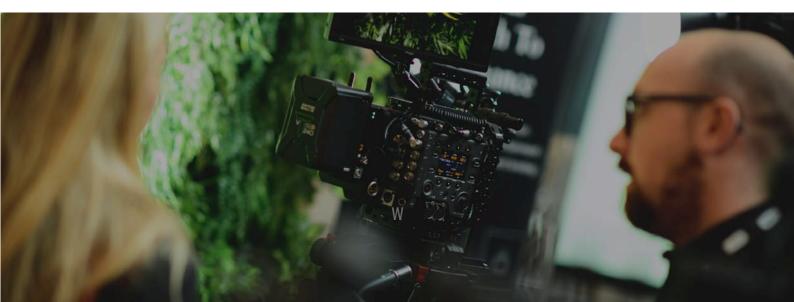
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SPECIAL SCREENINGS

'BILLY & MOLLY: AN OTTER LOVE STORY' SPONSORED SCREENING

Sunday 13th 19:45 - 21:15

Bristol Megascreen

Sponsored by National Geographic Speakers: Jeff Wilson, Charlie Hamilton James

Billy & Molly: An Otter Love Story (78m) - Set against the striking shores of Shetland, middle-aged Billy finds his life transformed by a playful young otter named Molly.



'EXPEDITION AMAZON' SPONSORED SCREENING Wednesday 16th 18:45 - 20:00

Bristol Megascreen

Presented by National Geographic Society in partnership with Rolex.

Expedition Amazon (45m) - In the Amazon, life is dictated by water, and dolphins fly through trees. Explorers take the pulse of this integral and magical resource.

credit: National Geographic/Jorge Panchoaga

OFFICIAL SELECTION SCREENINGS

Celebrating our Official Selection Competition, this year we have screenings of all 36 films selected by our Programmers. An innovative platform for new talent and underrepresented voices sponsored by Love Nature/Blue Ant Studios

Weekday ticket holders don't need to purchase tickets to screenings as they're included in your delegate pass for the day. But as capacity is limited, please preregister for screenings in advance.

Go to the screening you wish to see and add it to your schedule in the app.

SATURDAY 12 OCTOBER

'COMMUNITY' SCREENING SELECTION 13:00 - 15:00

The Royal Photographic Society

Dahican (I5m) - Join the 'Amihan sa Dahican' surfing group, hellbent on safeguarding marine life in the Philippines.

The Happy Man Tree (75m) - A group of North Londoners set out to protect a I50 year old tree scheduled for felling.





'DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVES' BFI SCREENING SELECTION 15:30 - 17:30

The Royal Photographic Society

Four films - *Kappe Raaga* (7m), *Eye-To-Eye* (24m), *Boca Chica* (13m), and *Second Nature: Gender & Sexuality in the Animal Kingdom* (56m) - each encourage us to view Wildlife through a different lens.

With support of the BFI Fan Exhibition Fund, awarding funds from the National Lottery in order to bring this project to more audiences across the UK.

'A Buffalo Story'

18:00 - 20:30

The Royal Photographic Society

A Buffalo Story (I20m) - Experience the return of bison to the landscapes of North America they once dominated.

FILM SCREENINGS

MONDAY 14 OCTOBER

'NATURE'S GARDENS' SCREENING SELECTION

19:00 - 21:00

Bristol Megascreen

Circle of Life (22m) - Witness the challenges and triumphs that define the existence of a female Green Sea Turtle.

Giants Rising (82m) - Come with us as we soar up into the highest canopies of the American Redwood Forests.

'LIVING WITH LIONS'

19:45 - 21:00

Attenborough Auditorium

Living With Lions (60m) - Shot on location in Tanzania with a local team, Erica Rugabandana's film is a nuanced telling of what it means to live with large predators and is a Panda Awards Emerging Talent Nominee.

TUESDAY 15 OCTOBER

'PICK 'N' MIX' SCREENING SELECTION

18:00 - 20:00

The Royal Photographic Society

Intercellular (IOm) - A Panda Award Emerging Talent Nominee, Dan Short's film turns the microscope onto the single-celled Paramecium. The Eagle With The Sunlit Eye (92m) - Prepare to see both sides of the debate surrounding the reintroduction of one of the UK's apex predators, the White Tailed Eagle

'FEEL INSPIRED I' SCREENING SELECTION

18:45 - 20:45

Bristol Megascreen

Hope Restored (I3m) - Witness a glimmer of hope in coral conservation from innovative practices in Bonaire in the Dutch Caribbean. *Among The Wolves* (8lm) - Two artists purse a dream; to share a year in the life of a group of wild wolves.

'FEEL INSPIRED 2' SCREENING SELECTION

21:00 - 22:00

Bristol Megascreen

Entropy (IOm) - A poetic short film from Greenland examining the effects of climate change on the vast Greenlandic ice sheet, told from an Indigenous perspective.

The Last Defenders of India (46m) - A construction boom extracting minerals hits the ecologically fragile Indian Himalayan district of Chamoli, causing a group of local women to bravely resist the construction of a powerful new stone crusher.

WEDNESDAY 16 OCTOBER

'INDUSTRY TITANS' SCREENING SELECTION

12:00 - 14:00

Bristol Megascreen

Flora, Fauna, Funga (I6m) - National Geographic Society short exploring fungi's role underpinning every ecosystem on Earth.

Orca - Black & White Gold (9Im) - Terra Mater Studios feature film uncovering the illicit Russian orca trade to the billion dollar market in China.

'BEST OF BRISTOL' BFI SCREENING SELECTION

18:00 - 20:30 The Royal Photographic Society



Bear Hunt (I3m) - Comedic short charting the existence and extinction of the brown bear in the British Isles. *Wild Summon* (I4m) - Multi-award winning BFI backed fantasy film following the dramatic life cycle of the wild Salmon but in human form. *Rave On For The Avon* (86min) - A local community's fight

Rave On For The Avon (86min) - A local community's fight to save their bathing spot in distinctly Bristolian ways.

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MILLENIUM SQUARE OUTDOOR SCREENING

19:00 - 20:00 Big Screen at Millenium Square

Join us for this free outdoor screening of one of this year's Panda Award Nominees. Deck chairs will be provided, but a coat and a thermos are advised!

FILM SCREENINGS

THURSDAY 17 OCTOBER

'STEALING GIANTS' (ELEPHANTS BLOCK PART I)

18:00 - 19:45 Bristol Megascreen

Stealing Giants (87m) - Presenter/Director and esteemed wildlife photographer, Karl Ammann uncovers China's illegal elephant smuggling trade.

'MARCH OF THE ELEPHANTS' (ELEPHANTS BLOCK PART 2

20:00 - 21:45

Bristol Megascreen

March of the Elephants (54m) - Adopting a more sympathetic view on China's relationship with Elephants as we chart a journey over I,700km long.

FRIDAY 18 OCTOBER

#HVALDIMIR, CONVERSATION WITH A SPY WHALE UK PREMIERE

12:00 - 13:30

Bristol Megascreen

#Hvaldimir, Conversation With A Spy Whale (90m) - Viral internet sensation, Hvaldimir the Beluga Whale, is discovered off the coast of Norway with a strap, seemingly built to house a GoPro camera, attached to his back.

'BIOCENTRICS'

14:00 - 16:00

Bristol Megascreen

Biocentrics (IO8m) - How should we look to nature for inspiration, and can it help us redefine out understanding of architecture, design, or even technology?

'OTHERWORLDS' SCREENING SELECTION

16:30 - 18:00

18:00 - 19:45

Bristol Megascreen

Travel with us as we uncover stories of nature worlds apart from those found on our UK doorsteps: *Mother of the Forest ~ Curupira* (I2m), *Ndossi* (I0m), *Walk Good Fire* (47m). Three films offering illuminating insights into landscapes and traditions that broaden our understanding of our world.

'OUR EARTH' BFI PLANETARIUM SCREENINGS



We The Curious - Planetarium

Fancy something a little different from your usual flatscreen experience? Well, you've come to the right place: Secrets From a Forest (26m), Sounds of the Ocean (25m), The Earth Above (28m)

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'FAMILY FRIDAY' BFI SCREENING BLOCK

18:30 - 20:15 Bristol Megascreen



Three animated shorts - *The Unseen* (3m), *Tahlequah the Whale* (15m), *The Last Garden* (7m) lay the way for an evening of family fun culminating in the educational feature film *Antarctica Unearthed* (63m)

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'THE LAST OF THE WHALE SHARK'

20:45 - 22:00

Bristol Megascreen

The Last of the Whale Shark (76m) - A poetic Iranian feature film that isn't afraid to show us something imaginative and bold.

As we celebrate another amazing festival, why not help us close it out with our final film screening of Wildscreen Festival 2024?



Congratulations to the outstanding productions nominated for the 2024 Panda Awards. **Watch them now on our delegate app** and don't forget to book your spot at the Panda Awards Ceremony and After Party to find out who this year's winners are!



Dr Mark's Animal Show Wild Africa South Africa/Nigeria



Save our Wildlife Fresh Start Media *United Kingdom*



A Real Bug's Life: The Big City Plimsoll Productions *United Kingdom*



Lions of the Skeleton Coast Into Nature Productions *Austria/Netherlands*



Wild Secrets - Between Water and Woods Doclights *Germany*



Raptors – A fistful of Daggers – Episode I: Meet the Raptors Terra Mater and Dandy Lion Films *Austria*













Secret World of Sound with David Attenborough – Episode 2 Humble Bee Films and Infield Fly Productions *United Kingdom*

Unwavering Chris Schmid Studio Switzerland

Billy & Molly: An Otter Love Story A Silverback Films Production for National Geographic *United Kingdom*

Wild Isles: Ocean Silverback Films *United Kingdom*

Chimp Empire – Episode I Underdog, KEO Films, for Netflix *United Kingdom*

Earthsounds Offspring Films *United Kingdom*



Tiger Disney Nature *United Kingdom*



Chimp Empire – Episode 4 Underdog, KEO Films, for Netflix *United Kingdom*

Ireland's Wild Islands

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Crossing The Line Productions



The Thin Green Line National Film & Television School *United Kingdom, Cyprus*



Hamza: Strictly Birds of Prey Silverback Films *United Kingdom*

Sacrifice Zone Untamed Planet in association with the National Geographic Society *United States*

Animals Up Close With Bertie Gregory Wildstar Films, National Geographic *United Kingdom*

Mollie's Pack Grizzly Creek Films and IMAX Original Documentaries *United States*

Queens Wildstar Films, National Geographic *United Kingdom*

Frozen Planet II BBC Natural History Unit *United Kingdom*

The Earthshot Prize 2023 Studio Silverback *United Kingdom*



Living With Lions (**Kuishi Na Simba**) Curiosity Stream, Ouragan Films, Siima Media *Tanzania*









We are Guardians Appain Way, Random Good, Highly Flammable, Midia Indigena, One Forest *United States*



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The Great Rhino Robbery BBC Studios Documentary Unit *United Kingdom*





Secrets from a Forest Sound Design: Joe Siddons, Simon Weir & Sound Team *Country*

PIRARUCU, The Breath of the





Banksia Films *Brazil*

Amazon

Planet Earth III BBC Studios Natural History Unit, co-produced by BBC America, ZDF, FTV and The Open University *United Kingdom*



Australia's Wild Odyssey Wild Pacific Media *Australia*

A Call from the Wild

Artic Light co-produced by Doclights, in association with NDR, Terra Mater Studios, and SVT *Norway/Germany*

Common Ground Big Picture Ranch *United States*

Wild Isles: Saving Our Wild Isles Silverback Films *United Kingdom*



This year, Wildscreen is highlighting 36 productions which tell unique and original stories about our natural world created by authentic storytellers from six continents across the globe. **Watch them online now** or **book your place at one of our Official Selection screenings throughout the festival!**



Entropy Inuk Jørgensen *Greenland*



Second Nature: Gender and Sexuality in the Animal World Drew Denny *United States*



Intercellular Dan Short *United Kingdom*



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Biocentrics Fernanda Heinz Figueiredo, Ataliba Benaim Brazil

Ndossi **Kristina Obame** Gabon

Living with Lions (Kuishi Na Simba) Erica Francis Rugabandana Tanzania

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Antarctica Unearthed Ariel Waldman United States



Giants Rising Lisa Landers United States



Circle of Life Tom Park Australia





March of The Elephants Olivia Chen China

Tahleguah the Whale: A

Dance of Grief

Daniel Kreizberg

United States





Sounds of the Ocean: A Mindful Underwater Journey Joshua Sam Miller, Elise Lein United States



Wild Summon Karni Arieli, Saul freed United Kingdom















The Last Defenders of India Srishti Lakhera *Singapore*



Hope Restored Maarten van Rouveroy *Netherlands*

The Unseen Francesco Guarini

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Yana Djamaga Ganji / Walk Good Fire Clancy Walker, Adam Nye *Australia*











EYE-TO-EYE Siri Linn Brandsøy, Lasse Huldt *Norway*

The Earth Above: A Deep Time

View of Australia's Epic History

Ái Vuong, Samuel Díaz Fernández







Mother of the Forest ~ Curupira Lea Hejn *United Kingdom*

Among The Wolves Tanguy Dumortier, Olivier Larrey *France*

Dahican Boogs Rosales *Philippines*

Flora, Fauna, Funga Sam Sheline *United States*

The Eagle With The Sunlit Eye Ted Simpson *United Kingdom*

Bear Hunt Jacob Burley *United Kingdom*

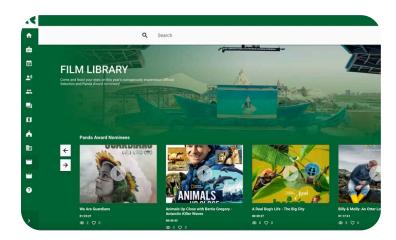
#Hvaldimir, Conversation With A Spy Whale

Jerôme Delafosse, Fabrice Schnöller *France*

All the films can be found on the app, check them out and let us know what's your favourite!







BEHAVIOUR AWARD



Lions of the Skeleton Coast Into Nature Productions

Austria/Netherlands



Wild Secrets – Between Water and Woods

Doclights

Germany



Raptors – A fistful of Daggers – Episode I: Meet the Raptors

Terra Mater and Dandy Lion Films

Austria



Secret World of Sound with David Attenborough – Episode 2: Love and Rivals

Humble Bee Films and Infield Fly Productions

United Kingdom



Dr Mark's Animal Show Wild Africa South Africa/Nigeria



CHILDRENS' AWARD

Save our Wildlife Fresh Start Media *United Kingdom*



Wildscreen ARK

A Real Bug's Life – Episode: The Big City Plimsoll Productions *United Kingdom*



Unwavering Chris Schmid Studio Key Cinematography Credit: Chris Schmid

Switzerland



Billy & Molly: An Otter Love Story

A Silverback Films Production for National Geographic

Director of Photography: Charlie Hamilton James

Additional Photography: Johnny Rolt, Bertie Gregory

United Kingdom



Wild Isles: Ocean

Silverback Films

Photography: Doug Anderson Additional Photography: Bertie Gregory, Charlie Hamilton-James Darren Williams, Jacca Deeble, Jesse Wilkinson, Jo Charlesworth, Steven McGee-Callender, Tom Walker

United Kingdom

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EDITING AWARD



Chimp Empire – Episode I Underdog, KEO Films, for Netflix Key Editor: Sam Rogers United Kingdom



Earthsounds **Offspring Films** Key Editor: Alex Boyle United Kingdom



Tiger **Disney Nature** Key Editor: Nigel Buck BFE United Kingdom

Hugh Allen For the film The Thin Green Line National Film & Television School United Kingdom, Cyprus



EMERGING TALENT AWARD Natural History Unit

Erica Rugabandana For the film Living with Lions (Kuishi Na Simba)

Curiosity Stream, Ouragan Films, Siima Media

Tanzania



Dan Short For the film Intercellular UWE United Kingdom





PATROL Juli Films, Perpetuo Films Nicaragua, United States





We are Guardians

Appain Way, Random Good, Highly Flammable, Midia Indigena, One Forest

United States



RHINO MAN The Global Conservation Corps United States, South Africa



Chimp Empire – Episode I Underdog, KEO Films, for Netflix Composer: William Goodchild *United Kingdom*

MUSIC AWARD



Mammals - Forest

BBC Natural History Unit, BBC America, ZDF, Youku, France Télévisions for BBC

Composer: Thomas Farnon

ON-SCREEN TALENT AWARD

United Kingdom



Living with Leopards

Wild Space Productions in association with Natural History Film Unit & Freeborne Media, for Netflix

Composer: Paul Leonard-Morgan

Additional music: Mike MacLennan

United Kingdom

UWE Bristol



Eoin Warner

In Ireland's Wild Islands – Episode 3: Echoes of the Past

Crossing The Line Productions

Ireland



Hamza Yassin In Hamza: Strictly Birds

Silverback Films

of Prey

United Kingdom



Malaika Vaz

In Sacrifice Zone

Untamed Planet in

association with the National Geographic Society

United States



Bertie Gregory

In Animals Up Close with Bertie Gregory – Episode: Antarctic Killer Waves

Wildstar Films, National Geographic

United Kingdom

PRODUCER / DIRECTOR AWARD





Thomas Winston For Mollie's Pack Grizzly Creek Films and IMAX Original Documentaries United States



James Reed & Callum Webster For Chimp Empire – Episode 4 Underdog Films, Keo Films, for Netflix United Kingdom



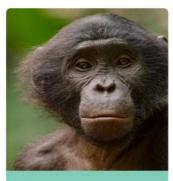
Charlie Hamilton-James & Jeff Wilson

For Billy & Molly: An Otter Love Story

A Silverback Films Production for National Geographic

United Kingdom

PRODUCTION MANAGEMENT TEAM AWARD * humblebee



Queens

Wildstar Films, National Geographic

Cleone Fox, Miranda Pincott, Tamsyn Black, Jodie Fowler, Melanie Thomas, Carlee Ann Davis, Kathryn Mavor, Rita Aspinall, Alice Beer, Fiona Capener, Charli Swinson, Jodie Fowler, Francesca Milano, Summer Paliunyte, Becca Rosenberg, Emma Warner, Rebecca Wootton, Mandy Knight, Linda Stephens

United Kingdom

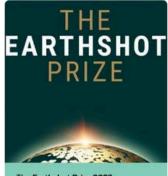


Frozen Planet II

BBC Natural History Unit

Kate Horvath, Jane Greenford, Karmen Summers, Caroline Cox, Helen Bishop, Emily Humphrey, Ellie Pinnock, Ashley Noulty

United Kingdom



The Earthshot Prize 2023

Studio Silverback

Helen Healy, Claire Whitby-Smith, Laura Meacham, Jen Bollom, Gabi Domonkos, Eleanor Perryman, Jenna Winstanley, Sara da Luz Roberts, Elliot Jenkins, Tarryne Wills, Laurie Jones

United Kingdom

SCRIPTED NARRATIVE AWARD



Billy & Molly: An Otter Love Story A Silverback Films Production for National Geographic

Key Scriptwriter(s): Charlie Hamilton James

United Kingdom

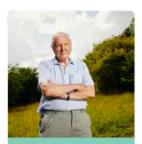


WILDING Passion Planet, HHMI Tangled Bank Studios Key Scriptwriter: David Allen

United Kingdom



Tiger Wildstar Films, Disney Nature Key Scriptwriter: Mark Linfield *United Kingdom*



Planet Earth III

BBC Studios Natural History Unit, coproduced by BBC America, ZDF, FTV and The Open University



Queens Wildstar Films, National Geographic United Kingdom

SERIES AWARD

NDR | Naturfilm



The Great Rhino Robbery BBC Studios Documentary Unit United Kingdom



Australia's Wild Odyssey Wild Pacific Media Australia

SOUND AWARD films@59



Tiger

Wildstar Films

Sound Design: Kate Hopkins RDI, AMPS, Tim Owens, Ben Pearce, David E. Fluhr CAST

United Kingdom/India



Secrets from a Forest

Sound Design: Joe Siddons, Simon Weir & Sound Team

United Kingdom



A Call from the Wild

Artic Light co-produced by Doclights, in association with NDR, Terra Mater Studios, and SVT

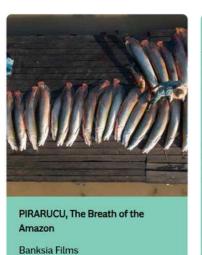
Sound Design: Anders Tveten, Erik Watland

Re-recording mixer: Bent Holm, Anders Tveten

Aurum

Norway/Germany

SUSTAINABILITY AWARD



Brazil



Common Ground Big Picture Ranch United States

Wild Isles: Saving our Wild Isles Silverback Films United Kingdom

GOLDEN PANDA AWARD



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