



WILD & SCENIC[®] FILM FESTIVAL



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2020 School Programs

5th grade to 8th grade Program – 50 minutes



In Your Hands

Visceral imagery, emotional score, and a powerful speech by John F. Kennedy underscore a timeless theme: we come from the sea. 'In Your Hands' invites viewers to look inward and rediscover our connection with - and responsibility to - the natural world.



Green Gone

This infomercial parody made by Maui youth pokes fun at the overuse of pesticides and herbicides and the psychology used to market them.



See Animals

This short, animated film shows unwelcome changes in an uncertain future.



Blooming Culture

Fourth-grade students from Palouse Prairie Charter School (PPCS) in Idaho share their experience building Blooming Culture, a canoe that combines European and Indigenous styles. Students and traditional canoe families paddle together to acknowledge the colonization of indigenous peoples and celebrate our hopes for a continued confluence of cultures. Avery Caudill is a PPCS graduate and made this film in his transition from high school to college.



Mi Mamá

Nadia Mercado grew up in a working-class community with her single mother, an immigrant from the Dominican Republic, and three sisters. In this film, Nadia recounts the ways that her mother helped shape the woman she is today: a cardiac nurse, an outdoor athlete, and a woman who is dedicated to helping the Latinx and POC outdoor communities.

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Literacy for Environmental Justice: Cultivating Youth Leaders in Southeast San Francisco
Bayview-Hunters Point in Southeast San Francisco has been on the front lines of the environmental justice movement since the 1940s. This short documentary film follows three environmental youth leaders who are changing the world, starting with their own.



Last Wild Places: Gorongosa

For 15 years, Mozambique was engulfed in a brutal civil war that devastated human and wildlife populations alike. Now, in part by focusing on empowering and educating women, Gorongosa National Park has become a model of successful conservation efforts. In this short film, follow elephant expert Dominique Gonçalves as she shares the powerful ways the park is working with local communities and gaining a new generation of brave women rangers and scientists.



Words Have Power

Ten-year-old Jaysa's dynamic speeches at rallies and city hall catalyze her community against the coal-fired power plant that causes her asthma - and they succeed in shutting it down. Evoking social justice and environmental racism, she wonders why so many such plants are put in her neighborhood. The film's wonderful sound track is provided by her father, a reggae musician.



Nature Now

Made with no flights, recycled footage, and zero net carbon. Given away for free. Viewed 53 million times, played to the United Nations. This film is a personal and passionate call to arms from Greta Thunberg and George Monbiot to use nature to heal our broken climate.

