



Force of Nature

THE INSPIRING STORY OF DAVID SUZUKI SCREENS AT CINEMA POLITICA ON JANUARY 6

Whistler, BC – December 29, 2011

LUNA screens Force of Nature, the inspiring story of Canada's eco-crusader, broadcaster and scientist David Suzuki, on Friday, January 6, 2012 at 7:00PM as part of the Cinema Politica series (www.lunawhistler.com) at Whistler Public Library. Admission is by donation and is open to everyone. BYO mug for organic, Fair Trade certified tea.

In Force of Nature: The David Suzuki Movie, the iconic scientist's "last lecture" is intercut with emotional scenes that trace his life's journey, from an internment camp in British Columbia and the swamps of small-town Ontario to a memorial ceremony in Hiroshima and the CBC studios, where for decades he has created his much-loved, award-winning TV show, The Nature of Things with David Suzuki. The film encourages the examination of world events in relation to oneself and one another, as well as our interconnections with nature.

Filmed before a live audience, Suzuki articulates an urgent message that we must re-think our relationship with nature or exhaust the limits of the biosphere. He then offers a blueprint for sustainability and survival.

The film had its world premiere at the 2010 Toronto International Film Festival, where it won the Cadillac People's Choice Documentary Award.

After the film will be a casual discussion led by David Waldron from Synapse Strategies, who co-authored Whistler's first vision and environmental sustainability strategy, and worked alongside David Suzuki as Director of Sustainability and strategic advisor for the David Suzuki Foundation.

Waldron introduced community energy planning in Whistler, coordinated a community-wide sustainability network and was a key advisor on Whistler2020. He was also 'lead architect' and Program Director for the international Master's program, "Strategic Leadership Towards Sustainability" at the Blekinge Institute of Technology, Sweden.

Come with sustainability questions, ideas, and stories of your own from Canada or abroad. Doors open at 6:30 p.m., film begins at 7:00 p.m.

Cinema Politica Whistler is presented by LUNA, Whistler Public Library and the Cinema Politica Network. Independent documentary films are screened and discussed, covering important socio-political, environmental, cultural and economic issues in Canada and worldwide, the first Friday of each month from November 2011 until March 2012.

More about Cinema Politica (CP)

CP is the largest grassroots documentary screening network in North America. CP's main objective is to promote, disseminate, exhibit and promote the discussion of political cinema by independent artists with an emphasis on

works that tell stories underrepresented by mainstream media, including narratives around political struggles within Canada, and stories that deal with oppression and/or identity politics.

More about Late & Unique Nighttime Alternatives (LUNA)

LUNA is an innovative crime prevention and recreation strategy that has been shaping the future of our visitor experience and community life for nine years. LUNA programming has contributed to a 20% reduction in alcohol-related calls to the RCMP. www.lunawhistler.com

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