

## MOUNTAINFILM TOUR 2022 Playlist

### American Scar

Photographer John Kurc spent eight months documenting the devastation of the desert ecosystem created by the construction of Trump's border wall. The administration ignored 47 laws that protect bears, deer, jaguars and javelina roaming the mountains, putting 70 vulnerable plant and animal species at risk.

### Breaking Trail

Emily Ford sets out with a borrowed Husky sled dog, Diggins, to complete the 1,200-mile Ice Age Trail in the midst of winter. Not only is she the first woman to attempt the feat, but she is also the first LGBTQ+ person of color to embark on the adventure. As her story gathers momentum in local, national and international press, Emily learns she's become a figurehead to encourage those who don't feel like they belong in wild places — especially people of color — to spend more time in nature.

Eco-Hack Due to increased human activity, desert biologist Tim Shields has been watching the tortoise population of the Mojave desert decline since the 1990s. Rather than continue to sit back and let nature take its course, Shields combats the depressing nature of conservation biology by accessing its antithesis, modern engineering. Through the usage of specialized drones, desert rovers, laser cannons and fake exploding tortoise shells, Shields and his colleagues take what control they can over the ecological levers in play to save the tortoise population.

### The Ocean Solution

After experiencing a string of pitfalls in conventional fishing, Bren Smith decided to reimagine the future of aquatic farming by asking the ocean, "what should our relationship be?" He returned to the sea with a new method of restorative ocean farming that produces a sustainable food source, restores the ocean, fights the climate crisis and mimics nature's penchant for biodiversity.

### Shaba

Shaba is a heart-warming story about a group of woman in Kenya who created the protocol for rescuing the orphan elephants and preparing them for uniting with a wild herd.

### Stories of You and I

Starring Academy Award-nominated Jonathan Pryce, *Stories of You and I* is a series of love letters to the Earth and a plea for environmental justice. The film presents what feels like universal memories of intimate moments with the natural world, include striking images of the wild that emphasize what is at stake

### Wood Hood

DeVaughn is a 15-year-old kid from New York City who loves skateboarding and craves a "quiet place" to escape the chaos of his life in the city. The film follows Camping to Connect, a BIPOC-led mentorship program that teaches leadership, brotherhood, and inclusion in the outdoors.