

Tahoe Adventure Film Festival ready to roll

Tahoe Adventure Film Festival is the annual gathering of the who's who of outdoor adventure set.

This is year 13 of Todd Offenbacher's local festival. TAFF celebrates the adventure sports community with newly released films of daring exploits and epic adventures in some of the most remote places and harsh conditions that test the human spirit. Filmmakers capture the power and intensity of skiing, snowboarding, kayaking, rock climbing, surfing, mountain biking, BASE jumping and other heart pounding sports. Many of the segments are special edits including previews of films that have not been released.

This year the festival will include three special edits that highlight the importance of decision-making that all adventurers must face. These films delve into the mindset of the adventurer and how each athlete deals with assessing risk during every outing, making judgments about the consequences of pushing the limit. "On the Fence" by Chris McNamara, climber and SuperTopo author, is a self-examination of some close calls that caused Mac to stop BASE jumping. "Reach for the Sky" by filmmaker Ryan Cleek chronicles the fast paced career and ambition that catapulted Cam Zink into pro-mountain biker status and how Zink has chosen to balance it with family life. "The Unrideables" by Red Bull Media combines skiing and parachute flight to access terrain that would otherwise be inaccessible.

For the past 10 years, Offenbacher has presented the Golden Camelot to honor action and adventure sports pioneers for their astounding contributions, excellence, achievements, and leadership.

The 2015 Tahoe Adventure Film Festival debuts Dec. 11 at MontBleu in Stateline. The doors open at 6:30pm, followed by the films at 7:30pm. Tickets can be purchased at the MontBleu ticket office or by calling 775.588.3515

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2016 Tahoe Adventure Film Festival Western U.S. Tour:

Petaluma – Jan 29, 2016

Park City – Feb. 13

Jackson Hole, Wyo. – Feb. 15

San Francisco – Feb. 18

Mammoth – March 3-5

Reno – March

Minden – April.