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## Family Films 2014/2015



### 14.c

George Knowles

#### ADVENTURE WITH A PURPOSE

Kai Lightener entered the world of rock climbing at the age of six. As fourteen-year-old Kai ascends to the top of the most difficult routes –rated 5.14c– and expands into outdoor climbing, he relies upon the support and encouragement of his single mother, Connie. (2014, 10 min)



### Bounce

Guillaume Blanchet

#### JUST FOR FUN

I am not a good freestyle player, but I love to give it a try. For two years now, I've been lucky enough to visit a few countries with a ball as a faithful companion. (2014, 4 min)



### Coralax, The

Troy Lau, Taylor Redman, Kaya Goosby, Kawelu Higashino

#### KIDS

Inspired by Dr. Suess's The Lorax, this claymation by four Maui middle school students uses 667 images to show how irresponsible shoreline development can impact our precious reef ecosystem. (2014, 6 min)



### Curious Snail, The

Alex Jones

#### KIDS

The "Curious Snail" showcases the beauty of a snail's simple and small world. All 4K and 5K content is available for commercial licensing upon request. (2014, 1 min)



### Dream

Skip Armstrong

#### ADVENTURE

I wonder... if... one day... When a newbie kayaker goes paddling, he discovers a posse of pros on the river and wonders whether someday he could be that cool. A daydream in the eddy transforms the purple-helmeted rookie into a whitewater Adonis. Join kayaker Ben Marr as he takes us to a world where a paddler's wildest fantasies come true. (2014, 5 min)



### Elk Grass

Abbey Luck, Pete Van Leeuwen

#### JUST FOR FUN

Told in an abstract and dreamy manner, this animated music video the viewer floats in and out through space around the lonely mountain, Elk Mountain, capturing the serenity and isolation inherent in nature. (USA, 2013, 2 min)

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**Hidden Rivers of Southern Appalachia**

Jeremy Monroe, David Herasimtschuk

**WATER AND FISH CONSERVATION**

Biodiversity. It's in the rivers of the Amazon, the jungles of Borneo, the coral reefs of Belize... oh, and the creeks of Tennessee. That's right, southern Appalachia is a little-known hotspot for aquatic life and is home to some wildly diverse fish, mussels, salamanders, crayfish and other critters. Hidden Rivers takes an immersive look at the little-known

creatures of these waters, their striking beauty and extreme vulnerability. The films also reveal how some Southerners are finding new ways to explore and celebrate this precious life, and reminding us all that biodiversity is everywhere and rivers are always deeper than you think! (USA, 2013, 4 min)



**I Heard**

Michael Ramsey Director, Abbey Smith Producer, Stacy Bare Executive Producer

**KIDS**

A Seuss-esque journey into some of the 110+ million acres of designated American wilderness that we have to enjoy. Award-winning filmmaker Michael Ramsey's short film celebrates the 50th Anniversary of the Wilderness Act which ensures that we will have places "...where the earth and its community of life are untrammelled by man, where man himself is a visitor who does not remain." (2014, 3 min)



**The Joy of Air**

Bryan Smith, Fitz Cahall

**ADVENTURE**

"Leave the ground beneath your feet, Rise up, your inner legend greet. A body in motion – Twisting, turning, churning, yearning –Apex found, heaven bound. But remember, what goes up must come down. (Canada, 2013, 4 min)



**My First Fish**

Ben Galland

**KIDS**

A boy catches his first fish. After an epic battle, the boy has a chance to hold the fish and once they make eye contact, the memory is etched into the child's brain forever instilling a connection to the wild and the foundation for environmental stewardship. (USA, 2013, 7 min)

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in the humpback studies.

**Phoebe's Humpback Whale Adventure**

Tom Fitz, Andi Campbell-Waite

**KIDS**

Join high school student, Phoebe Fitz, in her quest to learn about humpback whales. She teams up with scientists who study the whales in Hawaii, and learns first-hand what it takes to work on the high seas with these magnificent animals. In Lahaina, she visits a local high school and meets students who are actively involved



**Raptor Blues**

Ian Timothy

**KIDS**

A musical stop motion animation explaining the dangerous effects of rodenticides on birds of prey in a way that everyone can understand. (USA, 2013, 2 min)



**River Music**

Michael Bloebaum

**WATER AND FISH CONSERVATION**

What happens when science and art collide? "River Music" is what happens! When teenage musicians spent a year studying music composition and, at the same time, were exposed to the wonders of the Yuba River, the ensuing endeavor finds young people thinking deeply about the nature of this place – and finding ways to express that wonder with music. (2014, 30 min)



**Ridge, The**

Danny Macaskill

**ADVENTURE WITH A PURPOSE**

The Ridge is the brand new film from Danny Macaskill... For the first time in one of his films Danny climbs aboard a mountain bike and returns to his native home of the Isle of Skye in Scotland to take on a death-defying ride along the notorious Cuillin Ridgeline. (2014, 8 min)



**Rock Wall Climbing**

Hal Clifford, Jason Houston

**JUST FOR FUN**

How do big wall climbers get their start? With little walls, of course. This may be the case for 8-year-old climber Kathrin Houston who convinces her father to build a climbing wall in the other half of their small two-car garage. (USA, 2013, 5 min)



**The Scared is Scared**

Bianca Giaever

**KIDS**

I asked a six year old what my movie should be about, and this is what he told me. (USA, 2013, 8 min)

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**School's Out: Lessons from a Forest Kindergarten**

Lisa Molomot, Rona Richter

**KIDS**

No classroom for these kindergarteners. In Switzerland's Langnau am Albis, a suburb of Zurich, children 4 to 7 years of age, go to kindergarten in the woods every day, no matter what the weatherman says. This eye-opening film looks into the important question of what it is that children need at that age. There is laughter, beauty and amazement in the

process of finding out. (2014, 36 min)



**The Squeakiest Roar**

Maggie Rogers

**KIDS**

The Squeakiest Roar tells the story of a little lion called Bapoto. He is desperate to have a big, loud roar like his brothers and sisters, but every time he tries, Bapoto makes a very different sound. His roar is high and squeaky.

Saddened, Bapoto decides he will never roar again. Until one day he stumbles across an animal choir, who help Bapoto realize the beauty of his unique, squeaky roar. 1st Prize, for Best Animated Short Film at the Chicago International Children's Film Festival, 2012. (England, 2010)



**Spaceship Earth Passenger Briefing**

Dave Gardner

**JUST FOR FUN**

What if every passenger on our planet, Spaceship Earth, had to watch a quick safety video before takeoff? What advice would we get to avoid a crash or other disaster? Fasten your seatbelt and watch! (2014, 2 min)