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## From Mountaintop Chills to White Water Thrills - The Best of the Vancouver International Mountain Film Festival Returns to The Centre!

CHILLIWACK, BC— The incredible cinematic celebration of everything outdoors is back to captivate Chilliwack's wilderness lovers once again; the *Vancouver Mountain Film Festival, Best of the Fest Tour* will stop by the Chilliwack Cultural Centre **March 26, 2016!** Featuring a special pick of the very best of the films entered to the Vancouver International Mountain Film Festival, this event is an iconic, inspirational, and seriously intense showcase of the spirit of adventure, and is sure to offer another unforgettable night packed with adrenaline.

For the past three seasons, the *Vancouver International Mountain Film Festival - Best of the Fest Tour* has been a hit with The Centre's audience; and with good

reason! Offering spectacular landscapes, world-class outdoor opportunities, and a bunch of people that love to get out and explore the wilderness that's right on their doorstep, Chilliwack is the definitive destination for the tour that brings the best films from the Vancouver International Mountain Film Festival to communities across Canada. Featuring everything from exhilarating climbing and mountaineering films, to wild winter sports footage and incredible cinema capturing the exploits of the world's most adventurous athletes and explorers, the Vancouver International Mountain Film Festival brings the outdoors indoors in an awe-inspiring cinematic extravaganza. And there could be no more qualified a person to take these films and assemble a very special program for Chilliwack's own ***Vancouver International Mountain Film Festival Best of the Fest*** event than the community's very own ambassador for the outdoors - Sam Waddington!

Owner of Mt Waddington's Outdoors and Chilliwack City Councillor, Sam has his finger on the pulse of the local outdoor community. This unmatched knowledge and experience promoting the back country of the Fraser Valley makes him the perfect person to select the programming for this event. "There are always tons of amazing films to choose from" Sam says, "so every year I get together with a few friends and select what I think Chilliwack will receive the best. I think it's important to put a little bit of everything in there - so it's not just a climbing festival or a mountain biking festival - and with the amazing back country here we always try to highlight films from British Columbia and our local area. The goal is to motivate people to get out there and live adventurous lifestyles... and this festival is a great way to do that."

Adding to the motivation to get out and experience the outdoors will be another exciting feature of this event; the fantastic selection of door prizes! Entrants will have the chance to win any number of awesome prizes - including a 3-speed cruiser Giant bicycle worth \$499 donated by Pedal Sport - cranking up the drive for the audience to dive into the exploits taking place on screen even further.

The Vancouver International Mountain Film Festival is the ultimate event for outdoor

enthusiasts of all kinds; from experienced adventurers to those looking for their first taste of what the back country has to offer. And with truly compelling filmmaking that will astound even the most intrepid of movie-goers, this event will capture everybody's imagination - whether they love to take in amazing vistas from a windswept mountainside or the comfort of a theatre!

So make sure to experience the astounding cinematography, boundary-pushing athleticism, and adventurous spirit of the ***Vancouver International Mountain Film Festival - Best of the Fest Tour*** when it treks through Chilliwack on **March 26, 2016**. Tickets are \$18 and are available at The Centre Box Office, visit [www.chilliwackculturalcentre.ca](http://www.chilliwackculturalcentre.ca) or call 604-391-SHOW(7469) for more information.

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### **Chilliwack Cultural Centre**

Owned by the City of Chilliwack, the Cultural Centre houses two unique performance venues, an art gallery, music instruction studios, arts and crafts studios, meeting rooms, offices, and is home to the Chilliwack Academy of Music and the O'Connor Group Art Gallery. Since

opening in 2010, over 275,000 tickets have been sold through the Centre Box Office, with a value exceeding \$4,000,000. The Centre is overseen by The Chilliwack Arts & Cultural Centre Society on behalf of the City.

*Chilliwack Cultural Centre highlights:*

- 597 seat performance theatre
- 168 seat recital hall / rehearsal space / dance studio / meeting space
- Chilliwack Art gallery (22-foot high display area)
- 21 music instructional rooms
- Arts, crafts and performance studios
- Storage and Archival Resource Room

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