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**Subject:** Backcountry Film Festival on Sunday, Feb 28, 2010 -- INVITATION!

**Friends of the Rossland Range cordially invite you to attend** the Backcountry Film Festival for its first ever showing in Canada, Sunday, February 28, 2010 in the Rossland Miner's Hall.

The Festival is a single night of diverse films and shorts that promote the work of grassroots filmmakers who tell compelling and entertaining stories of backcountry, non-motorized recreation and environmental preservation.

*Local content has been added to the film festival, just to make the evening even more interesting and relevant to our own area.*

Proceeds from the festival will be used by the Friends of the Rossland Range to achieve its goals to foster the traditions and community spirit of the Rossland Range, work toward keeping this gem a great place to play, and teach the natural recreational, cultural, historical values of the area. For more information visit [www.rosslandrange.org](http://www.rosslandrange.org).

Friends of the Rossland Range is now working on:

- Inspiring a community-based, multi-use recreation plan for the Rossland Range, including establishing a winter backcountry recreation area in the Old Glory Alpine area;
- Developing a Streamkeepers program; and
- Developing a forest interpretation project.

**The show will be Sunday, February 28, 2010 at the Rossland Miner's Hall – films start at 7pm (doors open at 6:30pm). Admission is \$5 (under 12 are FREE) and tickets can be purchased at the door or Ross Vegas.**

**See the current film schedule below (subject to change):**

**Gentemstick** (10:00) *Sweetgrass Productions*

A short of the award-winning film "Signatures", a lovely tale of deep powder mystery and a film about expression and the art of riding on snow deep in the hardwoods of Hokkaido, Japan. Every turn has a personality, and every personality has its own unique style.

<http://www.sweetgrass-productions.com/>

**Generations, a Skiers' and Snowboarders' Perspective on Climate Change** (17:00) *Teton Gravity Research*

Within the span of a lifetime, one can observe and experience the planet's changing climate's impact on farmers, ski areas, glaciers, skiers, snowboarders. A film about the consequences of climate change. Narrated by Greg Stump.

<http://www.tetongravity.com/generations/>

**From Stew's Eyes** (5:00) *Stew Spooner, Rossland*

Local photographer, Stew Spooner, shares his vision of our outstanding local Rossland backcountry.

**Fast Grass and Dirty Corn** (4:18) *Ember Productions*

A clever (and all ages) short about a group of Vermont skiers who refused to let patchy snowfall and half-thawed conditions halt their winter fun.

**Jim's Month of Ski Fun** (3:30) *Jim Firstbrook, Rossland*

Video featuring turns any of us would envy, made by Rossland backcountry skiers Jim Firstbrook and Michele Desjardins (and others) skiing in Plewman Basin, Kirkup and other areas.

<http://gallery.me.com/jim.firstbrook#100024>

INTERMISSION (refreshments available)

**Winter Dreaming** (20:28) *Eucalypt Productions*

Australian filmmaker Steve Curtain succeeds in capturing nature, wildlife and adventure above the snowline in this extraordinary film that unveils the ephemeral beauty of an ancient landscape and the stories of people that live within it.

<http://www.foe.org.au/news/2009/winter-dreaming/>

<http://www.keepwintercool.com.au/winterdreaming.htm>

**Red Lady: the Battle for your Mountains** (13:13) *Snow Lion Productions*

A documentary about Crested Butte and one of the longest running mine fights in North America over the proposed molybdenum mining operations on The Red Lady/Mt. Emmons site just 2 miles from town.

<http://www.vimeo.com/6616721>

**Flakes** (13:28) *Powderwhore*

A short on a winter of backcountry telemark skiing by top telemark skiers in all the beautiful mountains that needed to be skied, and while trying to capture the joy and freedom that is powder skiing, which is not an easy task.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6dHoH2mUkbU>

*This all ages event is supported in Rossland by Columbia Basin Trust and Rossland Rotary, as well as other Rossland area businesses and non-profit organizations and individuals.*

*Thank you ALL for your generous support and we hope to see YOU there!*

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