

WED OCT 11TH | 2023

THE WATERFRONT VENICE  
6PM - 10PM / SCREENING 7:00PM



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## SCHEDULE

6:00 PM - 6:45 PM RECEPTION  
6:45 PM - 7:00 PM INTRODUCTIONS  
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM FILM SCREENING  
9:00 PM - 10:00 PM DRINKS & GOOD VIBES

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### Riding the Rhythms

40 mins, CA Premiere

"Riding the Rhythms" is a surf and skate film celebrating women who rip year round in New Jersey. The film captures the coveted hurricane swells of Fall, sessions throughout snow days of Winter, the uplifting energy of Springtime, and the joy of tropical temperatures longboarding it when Summer arrives. A woman's unique bond with water and nature, unwavering passion for board sports, and the strength of community are all alive and growing on New Jersey's shores.

Director/Producer: Margaux Moses  
Editor/Cinematographer: Alyssa Malliae  
Principle Cast: Allie Frank, Audrey Iglay, Ava Jordan, Brynn Gallagher, Carly Coble, Mia Gallagher, Nico Klimek, Zoe Herishen

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### Wahine & Waves

27 mins, CA Premiere

A beautifully told, raw insight into a little group of friends in the wahine surf community of Aotearoa, New Zealand. From the perspective of surf photographer, Amber Jones, we are taken along on a road trip from East to West and learn along the way about what makes this little island surf community so special, offset by the dramatic backdrop of Mother Nature that is undoubtedly stunning New Zealand.

Director/Producer: Amber Jones / Ryan Theilen

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### REBORN

11:24 mins, CA Premiere

Juju, a 12-year-old from Biarritz, began surfing 12 years ago, but found it boring and limiting her passion. After an ankle injury, she spent most of her summer on the couch, realizing the missing feeling of surfing and the need to find her way back. She needed to get lost and challenge herself, finding a way to find her way again. This journey is about finding light in the darkness and never giving up on your dreams. Juju's journey is about finding the light in the darkness and never giving up on your dreams.

Director: Theo Preuilh  
Principle Cast: Juliette Lacombe



### WOMP

10:07 mins

A group of teen girls in North County San Diego are redefining surf lineups by forming relationships with the ocean through surfing. Through Changing Tides Foundation's Women's Outreach Mentorship Program, they develop confidence and bond with the ocean, transforming the Southern California surf scene on a foundational level.

Director/Editor: Hannah Walsh  
Producer: Becky Mendoza  
Cinematographers: Hannah Walsh, Layseah Hughes, Troy Brajkovich, Nate Lee, Nick Azoff, Leah Dawson, Jianca Lazarus, Ashley Barker  
Principle Cast: Becky Mendoza, Leah Dawson, Anna Santoro, Gretchen Sherrill



### SURF GIRLS HAWAII'

8:23 mins

Surf Girls Hawai'i is a four-part docuseries by Hello Sunshine and TOGETHXR that follows the next generation of Native Hawaiian female surfers as they compete for a spot on the professional surfing World Tour, providing behind-the-scenes insight into their training, family responsibilities, and competitive surfing challenges.

Surf Girls Hawai'i is executive produced by Reese Witherspoon and Sara Rea of Hello Sunshine; Reni Calister, Jessica Robertson, and Brett Bouttier of TOGETHXR; Erik Logan and Jed Pearson IV of World Surf League (WSL); and Leslie Garvin, Dara Horenblas, and Monica Medellin. Ramy Romany, Tyler O'Neil, and Tomiko Jones serve as co-executive producers. Molly Micalef serves as producer. Surf Girls Hawai'i is produced for Prime Video.



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### Emergence

6:10 mins, CA Premiere

We are entering a new era of surfing, where people from all backgrounds are breaking barriers to pursue their love for the ocean, creating a line up as diverse as land. 'Emergence' introduces Angelina and Fabiana Del Rio, two sisters from Huanchaco, Peru, who are changing their community by reclaiming their ancestral relationship with the sea through surfing.

Director: Amanda Prifti  
Producer: Amanda Prifti  
Principle Cast: Fabiana Del Rio & Angelina Del Rio



### Jamaica

5 mins

Join Roxy ambassador Danielle as she returns to her roots in Jamaica connecting with family, the vibrant culture and of course, the waves!

Director: Danielle Black Lyons  
Producer: Kantauriko Olatua  
Principle Cast: Danielle Black Lyons, Chrissana Wilmot, Kadiya McDonald, Kayla Wheeler, Taneisha Lawrence, Sol Black Lyons, The Wallace Family



### Momento

4:00 mins, CA Premiere

Momento is a short surf film by Cassie De Colling, exploring reflection, womanhood, and time passage. It follows five female wave riders as they revert in ages, highlighting inner peace, overcoming challenges, and nature's connection. Momento embodies strength and vulnerability in women and nature.

Director/Producer: Cassie De Colling  
Editors: Kevin Kim and Tim Saylor  
Principle Cast: Amy Hackett, Angela King, Molly Hoskens, Sam Suendermann, Holly Droomer



### Synchronism

3:36 mins

Synchronism juxtaposes surfer Josie Prendergast and synchronized swimmers in the ocean, both performing in unison - a first ever of its kind.

Director/Editor: Scott Wynn  
Producer: Elley Norman  
Cinematographer: Andy Gough  
Principle Cast: Josie Prendergast

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7:30 PM - 8:15 PM FILM SCREENING  
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### With the Tide: A Yakutat Surf Club Story

26 mins, CA Premiere

Set in the remote village of Yakutat, Alaska, "With the Tide" follows the youth of the Tlingit tribe as they further explore their relationship to the ocean, themselves, and the expanse of isolated wilderness they call home. Over the span of four years, this story documents the exploration of how surfing can increase health, wellness and value for nature in a community that is constantly facing layers of adversity and the challenges of geographic isolation.

Director/Producer: Chelsea Jolly



### Siska

7:44 mins

Siska, follows the story of a courageous young native woman who followed her dreams and became the pioneering female surfer of Mentawai, while uncovering the serious issue of inaccessibility that the Mentawaian surfing community faces.

Producer, Director, Translator Writer: Ruby Southwell  
Filmer, Editor, Music Producer/Sound Design: Kat Davis  
Voice over and Writer: Siska tasiripoula  
Photography and Additional footage: Jack Orgrady  
Principle Cast: Ruby Southwell and Siska Tasiripoula



### Queens of the Peak

7 mins

Shot almost entirely in 16mm, Queens of the Break gives credit to the pioneers of women's surfing in the 80s and celebrates a friendship that has spanned over 50 years.

Director/Editor: Jordyn Romero & Jo Anna Edmison



### Unplugged

6:53 mins, CA Premiere

'Unplugged' a short film about a group of friends exploring untouched nature in Baja, searching for quiet waves and freedom. Filmed from a female point of view, focusing on the main person in the film, Beth Leighfield, one of Britain's top female longboarders.

Director/Editor: Bella Rose Bunce  
Cinematographer: Bella Rose Bunce  
Principal Cast: Beth Leighfield, Tom Baldwin, Paul Bertrand



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5:00 PM - 6:45 PM RECEPTION / VENDOR MARKET  
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### Obseassion

33 mins, U.S.A. Premiere

Laure Mayer, an Australian artist, designs technical surf suits for women to ensure comfort and confidence while surfing. She traveled to Europe to explore women's surfing culture and met with five friends who share her passion for the sport. Mayer aims to help future generations surf confidently and embrace their own style. Obseassion, directed by Laura and Romain Decomble, highlights the energetic women's approach to surfing, creating a strong, inclusive community that shapes the surf of tomorrow.

Directors: Laura & Romain Decomble  
Producer: Oxbow  
Principle Cast: Laure Mayer

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### Yama

23:38 mins, New York Premiere

Yama follows Australian surfer Lucy Small as she visits Ghana, a country with a history of Atlantic aquatic surf culture. The story challenges Western media representations of African nations, beginning in Accra and exploring the wave-rich coastline. Yama explores the Fantes, the indigenous people who live in the area where female surfers live, and the YAMA, the wooden boats that still cross Ghana's shoreline today.

Directors: Lucy Small, Maddie Meddings  
Producer: Lucy Small  
Editor/Cinematographer: Maddie Meddings  
Principle Cast: Lucy Small, Sandy Alibo, Justice Kwofie

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### New Colors

20:10 mins, New York Premiere

Four junior athletes paving their way to a future as professional surfers come together to face the elements of northern Europe. Faced with the isolated frozen winter waters of Norway, the four women step out of their comfort zone, push their boundaries and redefine their approach to surfing. Beyond competition sites, they reconnect with the pleasure of sharing their passion through a unique cold water experience.

Director: Arthur Genie  
Principal Cast: Kika Veselko, Janire Gonzalez, Etxabarri Hina, Conradi Zoe Grospron

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## The Art of Adapting

11:11 mins

"The Art of Adapting" emphasizes resilience and adaptability in life, as seen in the surreal world of kitesurfing. Gabi, an Austrian, visits Western Australia in 2007 and explores the coastline, embracing waves and solitude. She meets Jaimen Hudson, a quadriplegic wildlife photographer and videographer, who overcomes a spinal cord injury. Both stories showcase the strong connection between air and water, fueling their lives and showcasing the resilience of the human spirit.

Directors: Miriam Joanna  
Producer: Gabi Steindl-Jones  
Cinematographer: Miriam Joanna Action Drone Footage Jaimen Hudson  
Editor: Miriam Joanna Colorist: Christian Kaefer  
Principle Cast: Gabi Steindl / Jaimen Hudson



## Ur - Azala

8:43 mins, CA Premiere

"Ur - Azala", which in Basque means "Water Skin" and "Surface" at the same time, is a sensory short film that focuses on 3 natural elements: skin, wood and water. In the first element, water, nude bodies dive pure and free through algae forests. In the second element, wood, the main role dips her Paulownia ecologic longboard and blesses it, feeling immense gratitude for the sea. The third element, water, embraces the scene at all times. The surfer dancing softly on ethereal waves crown the story.

Director/Editor: Pauloski  
Producer: Kantauriko Olatua  
Principle Cast: Andrea Molina



## Lucky Star

5 mins, CA Premiere

Two-time world longboard champion, Jennifer Smith, has a Madonna Moment at Malibu.

Director/Editor: Beth O'Rourke  
Producer: Beth O'Rourke  
Principle Cast: Jen Smith

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### Let It Go

3:42 mins, CA Premiere

After years of putting it aside, Livia finally decides to take the first step towards fulfilling a dream: surfing. But right in the first class, she discovers that in order to follow a dream, first you have to break free and let things go.

Director: Adrielle Eispu Simões  
Editor: Pedro Andreta  
Cinematographer: Ted Abel  
Producer: Filippo Capuzzi Lapietra and Stefano Capuzzi Lapietra  
Principle Cast: Camila dos Anjos



### Liquid Daydream

2:49 mins, CA Premiere

Surfing is an individual sport but not an individual lifestyle. Oahu based long boarder Hannah Sheldon offers her take on surfing, crowded lineups, and comparing yourself to others.

Director: Lindsay Sunada & Elaine Simon  
Producer: Kinda Swell  
Editor: Lindsay Sunada Cinematographer: Shelby Husted  
Principle Cast: Hannah Sheldon



### International Women's Day Paddle Out

2:15 mins, CA Premiere

Sister Motion and Surfing England organized a North Devon female surfing event, highlighting achievements and promoting inclusivity.

Director: Nicky Woodhouse  
Editor: Nicky Woodhouse  
Producer: Claire Brown  
Principal Cast: Saunton Surf Sisters

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