



2011 Kona Surf Film Festival line-up announced

KOHALA COAST, Hawaii: After sifting through a record number of submissions, Kona Surf Film Festival organizers are psyched to announce the film line-up for this year's festival on December 2 and 3, 2011 at The Mauna Lani Bay Hotel & Bungalows on the Big Island of Hawaii.

Artistic, innovative, mesmerizing, beautiful, poignant, unpredictable, astounding and game changing are some of the words festival organizers are using to describe this year's films.

Festival founder and program director, Chad Campbell, said "we were stoked to receive so many submissions from all corners of the globe. With works from some of the biggest names in the industry, to self-taught filmmakers, festival-goers can expect extreme action, epic soundtracks, stunning locales, ground-breaking cinematography, heart-warming stories and behind-the-scenes antics from some of the most iconic faces of the sport".

Films that will screen under the stars at the 2011 Kona Festival include:

Come Hell Or High Water

Keith Malloy brings us a new surf flick featuring Mark Cunningham, Dan Malloy and Mike Stewart. Hell or Highwater gives us a different - beardless - perspective on surfing. The film explores the history and progression of the sport of bodysurfing and the pureness that comes from riding a wave. While Malloy is most widely known for his time in the water as a surfer, his exploration into the world of bodysurfing began some 10 years ago when he wanted to reconnect with the ocean and did so through bodysurfing. Said Malloy about this project, "It's about taking a breath and kicking your feet in the big blue sea."

Watch the trailer here: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rOez2mFNk2s>

The Drifter

In the summer of 2008 iconic surfer and former Pipe Master Rob Machado flew to Indonesia to experience a different kind of surf trip. A journey that would take him way beyond his comfort zone to the point where he could finally be alone with his thoughts, his desires and the empty perfection of an unnamed Indian Ocean reef. What did he discover? You never stop dreaming, even when dreams do come true.

The Kona Surf Film Festival is proud to welcome **Rob Machado** as a special guest and friend of the Fest.

Watch the trailer here: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QzEKWreXgp4>

For The Love

Quietly hidden from the rest of the world lies a small town filled with ordinary people, with extraordinary stories; Stories that never seemed to matter until now. Raised in Hilo, on the windward side of the Big Island, **Cliff Kapon**, screens his debut film and will attend the festival to share his insights and experiences from producing this work of art.

Watch the trailer here: <http://vimeo.com/27998272>

Leave A Message

Nike 6.0 presents this latest film project, starring the new generation of woman surfers who push surfing to the next level. Starring Carissa Moore (Hawaii), Lakey Peterson (California), Laura Enever (Australia), Coco Ho (Hawaii), Byrne-Wickey Monyca (Hawaii) and Malia Manuel (Hawaii), the film follows the women as they travel the world circuit to Australia, California, Hawaii and Mexico.

The Kona Surf Film Festival is proud to welcome **Lakey Peterson** as a special guest and friend of the Fest.

Watch the trailer here: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ehkD6tw5opg>

Lost & Found

Lost & Found is a documentary based on the discovery of 30,000 black and white surfing negatives at a flea market in Pasadena, California. As it turned out, the images belonged to Surfing Magazine from the iconic times of the 60s and 70s. It's a journey over three plus years of reuniting and sharing the images capturing stories that unless told, would have been lost.

Watch the trailer here: <http://www.corduroy.tv/lostandfound/>

Year Zero

Year Zero is a modern take on high performance surfing set in a post-apocalyptic world, reminiscent of Mad Max or an HG Wells novel. It tells a story of a band of renegade surfers, including Dion Agius, Yadin Nicol, Nate Tyler, Taj Burrow, CJ Hobgood and Damien Hobgood on a road trip through the apocalypse in search of waves, women and good times.

Watch the trailer here: <http://vimeo.com/26600961>

Gum For My Boat

Gum For My Boat is a story of hope focusing on the Bangladesh Surf Club and its members. The club consists of around 30 male and female members and is helping to introduce surfing into a culture in a very unconventional method.

Watch the trailer here: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kHeREaDvJo>

Lost Atlas

From Kai Neville, the creator of Modern Collective, Lost Atlas is a view of postmodern surfing. This is youth on the run set to a killer soundtrack that veers across all genres.

Watch the trailer here: <http://vimeo.com/25854235>

Sight/Sound

Artsy hip music, an über-talented bunch of surfers on long (and not quite so long) boards, and some very desirable line-ups. "As every surfer matures, so does their taste in surfing," says filmmaker Mikey DeTemple. "These are my tastes and the people that really inspire me and some of the most unique and fun locations in the world."

Watch the trailer here: <http://vimeo.com/18758953>

The Fest will also host a lineup of short and semi-short films including:

Dark Side of The Lens

So popular last year that we're screening it again this year! Renowned photographer and bodyboarder Mickey Smith offers a short experimental glimpse into what it takes to grind out a living as a water-based photographer in the surfing industry.

Hangs Upon Nothing

Jeremy Rumas shares his journey of traveling the world through his trusty Bolex 16 mm film camera. The film is really just about experiencing life on earth - what it feels like to experience the world as a surfer. "I wanted the viewer to feel they are experiencing life as the surfers in the film experience it," Rumas says.

The Bonus Round

One man's trash is another man's treasure. Cliff Kapono looks at how Hilo (Hawaii) surfer/shaper Robert Patterson breathes new life into an 80's board by stripping down the glass and redesigning it into something suitable for the modern surfer. It doesn't take a whole lot to transform a board from beater to high flying shred stick, so next time you are at garage sale down the street and see an ugly duckling of a board, maybe you can reshape her into something beautiful yourself.

Be

This inspiring short captures the dreams of an aspiring pro surfer. Produced by Creative Artistic and written by Robert Dume.

The Surfer's Journal POV Shorts

POV Shorts is a series of shorts from surf filmmakers including Chris Malloy and Cyrus Sutton. Each filmmaker has taken on one subject within a general framework interpreting this in their own unique style.

Sanded

Tar Productions presents the art of shaping surfboards in a modern fashion. A dramatic look at the mixture of man and machine to make a wave riding tool that dates back to the ancient Polynesians.

Hash Tags and Seagulls

A creation from the minds of Carmen Vicari and Russ Roe. Vicari's stylish, high-contrast camera and editing work alongside the unique art direction and frantic animation of Roe creates a hypnotic vision of exuberance and creativity in surfing.

The 2011 Kona Surf Film Festival line-up

Friday December 2, 2011

MAIN SCREEN

4:30pm (ish): Live music by Kimie Miner

5:45pm: Lost Atlas

6:50pm: Short films including Dark Side of the Lens, Hashtags & Seagulls and Hangs Upon Nothing

7:45pm: For The Love *with an appearance by filmmaker, Cliff Kapono*

9-10pm (ish): Live music by *special guests*

SUSTAINABLE SCREEN

5:45pm: Surfing visuals scored live by Conscious Riddims

6:00pm: Leave a Message and short films including Wayne Lynch POV

6:45pm: Year Zero & short films

7:45pm: Surfing visuals scored live by Conscious Riddims

AFTER PARTY @ HULI SUE'S AT MAUNA LANI

10pm: Presented by Organik Clothing featuring the music of Kailua-Kona's THE DARKROOM an eclectic genre-bending journey into electronic dance music, dubstep, punk rock, reggae and blues, or as they call it, Electronic Rockstep.

Saturday, December 3, 2011

MAIN SCREEN

4:30pm (ish): Live music by Leche De Tigre

5:45pm: The Drifter *with an appearance by star Rob Machado*

7:00pm: Leave a Message, Sight/Sound and short films

7:45pm: Come Hell or High Water

9-10(ish): Live music by *special guests*

SUSTAINABLE SCREEN

2:00pm: Lost and Found

3:30pm: Buffalo

4:30pm: Surfing visuals scored live by Conscious Riddims

5:45pm: Short films including Nate Tyler POV, Be and others

6:30pm: Gum For My Boat and short films

8:30pm: Surfing visuals scored live by Conscious Riddims

AFTER PARTY @ HULI SUE'S AT MAUNA LANI

10pm: Presented by Organik Clothing featuring DJ D1RT33 spinning the wheels of steel to electro-bounce, house and dubstep beats.

For all the latest news and info about the 2011 Kona Surf Film Festival visit www.konasurffilmfestival.org or www.facebook.com/konasurffilmfestival

WHAT: 2011 Kona Surf Film Festival, benefiting the Seathos Foundation

WHEN: Friday, December 2, 2011 from 4 pm - 10 pm & Saturday, December 3, 2011 from 2pm - 10pm

WHERE: The Pavilion at The Mauna Lani Bay Hotel & Bungalows, Kohala Coast, Hawaii.

COST: Adults \$15, Groms (Kids!) \$10. After party is FREE.

BYO: Beach chair and blankets for films shown under the stars. Bring a sweater as it may get a little chilly!

FOOD: BBQ and beer available for purchase. No coolers please. \$2 popcorn, \$5 hot dogs, \$6 veggie burgers, \$7 fish tacos, \$4 beer, \$7 wine.

ART & DESIGN: Available for purchase.

INFO: www.konasurffilmfestival.org

STAY: Take advantage of Mauna Lani Bay's exclusive Kona Surf Film Festival room rates starting from \$199 per night. Contact (800) 367-2323 or visit www.maunalani.com

About Kona Surf Film Festival:

Founded in 2003 by Chad Campbell, the Kona Surf Film Festival celebrates the art of surfing. Chad, a surfer, filmmaker and editor himself, has always held a passion for film-making and the surfing lifestyle. He wanted to use that passion to bring the community together to participate in the long-held tradition of surfers watching surf films on the big screen. Often showcasing unknown films and filmmakers who have a love for all things surf, the Kona Surf Film Fest gives people an opportunity to share in the stoke, outside of the water. Visit www.konasurffilmfestival.org for more info.

The Mauna Lani Bay Hotel & Bungalows is recognized as one of *Travel + Leisure's* "World's Best Hotels" for 2011 and is also on the *Conde Nast Traveler* 2011 "Gold List". It is the only independently-operated resort on the Kohala Coast of Hawaii and has maintained its original owners since its opening in 1983. Mauna Lani Bay is also one of the smaller resorts on the coast giving guests an intimate, timeless Hawaiian experience that is personalized and pleasantly unscripted. It is Mauna Lani Bay's cultural and environmental programs that make it truly stand out from others and which has earned it the reputation of one of the "World's Top Earth-Friendly Getaways". Mauna Lani Bay is committed to delivering aloha in everything it does and as such takes a stand against hidden resort fees. It is home to the famous CanoeHouse restaurant, the Hawaiian inspired Mauna Lani Spa and the championship Francis H. I'i Brown Golf Courses. Mauna Lani Bay has formed a partnership with a group of pro triathletes and stand up paddlers who help the hotel spread the message of enjoying a healthy and active lifestyle. The resort is a member of the Preferred Hotel Group recognizing the world's best independent luxury hotels and resorts. For reservations call (800) 367-2323 or visit www.maunalani.com