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**8th annual Wild & Scenic Film Festival On Tour returns to the
Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse & Museum April 9th featuring local film**

**Palm Beach County produced 'Hidden Wild' film to be shown at the festival,
live chat with the film team and student 'stars' before the films**

Jupiter, Fla. – March 16, 2022. The Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse & Museum is thrilled to announce its 8th year hosting the nationally anticipated and acclaimed “Wild & Scenic Film Festival” on Saturday, April 9th. The premiere environmental and adventure film festival will take place 6 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. outdoors waterside, at the Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse & Museum, 500 Captain Armour’s Way, in Jupiter. Limited tickets are \$20 per person and parking is free. Tickets are also available for a Video On Demand option. RSVP online: bit.ly/WSFFJup2022.

After hosting the festival virtually during the COVID-19 pandemic, the Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse & Museum (JILM) is excited to offer the outdoor event once again in person. The JILM joins hundreds of organizations and communities around the nation proudly hosting the Wild & Scenic Film Festival On Tour, celebrating the beauty and wonder of our natural world, and inspiring audiences everywhere to take action to protect it. The local event will be emceed by 850 WFTL’s Karen Curtis.

Local film “Hidden Wild” will be featured at this year’s On Tour event. New to the festival, will be a live presentation featuring a panel discussion with the “Hidden Wild” filmmakers and the film’s stars. The panel will reflect on the expedition team's remarkable seven-day journey from the headwaters of the Loxahatchee River to the Atlantic Ocean in Palm Beach County. Representing the film are: Benji Studt, public outreach program supervisor for PBC Environmental Resources Management; Alex Freeze, scientist and expedition lead, Neil Losin, director of Days Edge Productions; Kiana Emilcar, Noah Langley, and Kourtez Davidson, student expeditioners; Sergio Piedra, director of community engagement and advocacy, The Palm Beaches; and Jennifer Davis, curriculum developer with PBC School District.

Currents of Hope is the 2022 Wild & Scenic Film Festival (WSFF) theme. The single night event featuring a series of 13 short films is meant to inspire engagement and provide an opportunity for guests to interact with other local environmental organizations including: Wild Dolphin Project, Surfrider Foundation, Let It Rot, Friends of Jupiter Beach, Beach Bucket Foundation, Wild Blue Sea, Bureau of Land Management, Jonathan Dickinson State Park, John D. MacArthur State Park, and J.W. Corbett Wildlife Management/Fish and Wildlife Commission.

“The Wild & Scenic Film Festival feels extremely prescient as we emerge from a global pandemic and understand our deeper connection with ourselves and the environment around us. This film festival aims to inspire activism through storytelling, which is why we purposefully chose stories told from a multitude of perspectives and backgrounds. I hope that, in watching these films, we not only understand the effects that our actions have upon the natural environment, but also find inspiration in each hero who tells their story,” states Hannah Lundell, education curator & WSFF event coordinator at the JILM.

Amid the waterfront venue’s beautiful scenery, attendees to the event will kick-off the night with tasty delights from food trucks: Little Moir’s Hibiscus StrEATery, Churrasco Grill, and Crunly Churros. Beverages, including wine and beer, are available for purchase and DJ music will surround guests with lively tropical tunes.

Ticket holders are asked to bring lawn chairs. No coolers or pets are permitted for this annual sellout occasion. Gates open at 6 p.m., films are scheduled to begin at dusk, approximately 8:00 p.m.

This year, the Lighthouse will also offer the option to purchase Video On Demand tickets for those wishing to view the films from the comfort of their homes. Ticket holders have 7 days to watch the films with a total run time of approximately 2 hours.

“As we celebrate preserving our *History Shaped by Nature* in this 50th Anniversary year, we are delighted to once again present the film festival outdoors under the stars at the beautiful Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse Outstanding Natural Area,” said Jamie Stuve, president & CEO of the Loxahatchee River Historical Society, operators of the Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse & Museum.

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About the Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse & Museum:

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