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Red Wolf in Timeout

TRT: 4 MINUTES

A child narrates the problem in full preteen gossip style while her step-dad animates it in the form of a classroom chalkboard lesson. The Red Wolf faces extinction due to unnecessary human fear and it's absence has caused an environmental chain reaction.



Speaking Eep!

TRT: 19 MINUTES

Speaking Eep! follows Dr. Chris Ray and PhD candidate Rachel Billings as they work to decode the iconic "eeps" of pika language and discover how these beloved animals might adapt to an increasingly fragile environment. Featuring great characters, women-led science, stunning mountain vistas, and plenty of adorable pikas, Speaking Eep! is sure to intrigue and delight.



A Home in the Grass

TRT: 6 MINUTES

As bird populations decline, one conservationist's action offers hope for endangered species survival.



Chirp Talker

TRT: 5 MINUTES

On her city balcony, Audrey delights in the flutter of tiny birds - fluffing their feathers, chattering, and sneaking tangerine bites. Their chirps sound like cheerful hellos and playful spats, inspiring her to invent a bird-language translator that unlocks their secret conversations.



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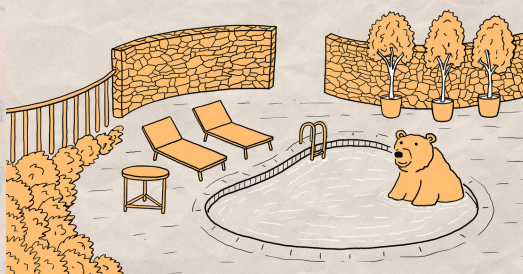
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WildHope: Bat Vax

TRT: 14 MINUTES

As a deadly fungal disease sweeps across North America, wiping out millions of bats, scientists are pioneering a bold new strategy to protect these special creatures.



Bears in Hot Tubs

TRT: 17 MINUTES

Bears in Hot Tubs is an intimate short film co-created with Maddie Bear and her kin. Set in suburban Los Angeles, it reveals black bears as sentient neighbors navigating a shared landscape. Through poetic imagery and quiet observation, the film reimagines coexistence as an invitation to co-thrive with care, empathy, and respect.

ACT 1 RUNTIME: 65 MINUTES

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The Detectorists

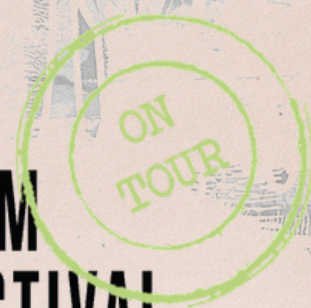
TRT: 6 MINUTES

Set against the serene backdrop of rural Wales, this short documentary follows wildlife ecologist Lee Jenkins and his two German Pointers - Neo and pup-in-training Cariad - as they search for elusive otters. Using scent detection to guide camera trap placement, the team gathers crucial evidence to protect these endangered animals. Shot from a dog's-eye view with immersive cinematography, the film offers a poetic glimpse into conservation through the nose and eyes of a canine detective.

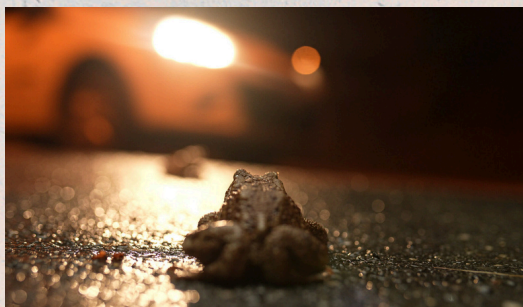


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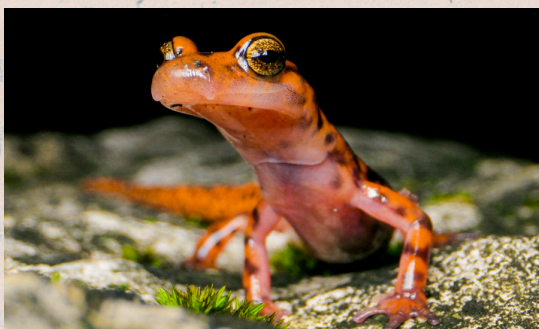
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Risky Routes

TRT: 6 MINUTES

Risky Routes follows a common toad on its arduous yearly journey back to the waters of birth to reproduce. Seen from the toads' perspective, it explores how navigating a man-made world turns ordinary features into real obstacles, revealing how biodiversity loss can occur right at our doorstep - and how simple, thoughtful actions can make a difference.



SALABAMA

TRT: 19 MIN

Meet Alabama's salamanders like you've never seen them before and fall for their undeniable charm. We dive into the salamanders' hidden world of wonder, crawling right under your feet and all around you, with the scientists and salamander superfans who can't get enough of these quirky critters.



Thank You Bees

TRT: 13 MINUTES

Kenyan self-taught beekeeper embarks on a thrilling adventure to Nepal's Himalayas to uncover the secrets of a traditional beekeeping tribe that harvests hallucinogenic honey.

ACT 2 RUNTIME: 44 MINUTES

TOTAL RUNTIME: 109 MINUTES