

UNLIKELY ALLIES IN OCEAN STEWARDSHIP SPOTLIGHTED IN COLLEGE'S FINAL FALL QUARTER FILM SCREENING

PORT ANGELES, Washington (October 24, 2012)—It's no secret that our oceans are increasingly threatened and that the myth of the boundless ocean no longer rings true, but many might be surprised at the groups that have become unexpected allies in the stewardship of our oceans.

Olympic Peninsula residents will have an opportunity to get a first-hand account of what individuals from coast to coast are doing to save our oceans on November 9 when Peninsula College's Magic of Cinema film series brings a new documentary to Maier Performance Hall at 7:00 pm. A panel discussion led by Peninsula College faculty will immediately follow the film. The film is co-sponsored by Feiro Marine Life Center.

Ocean Frontiers: The Dawn of a New Era in Ocean Stewardship premiered this past February in Port Orford, Oregon. Since then, it has been shown at a multitude of national and international venues and has won critical acclaim wherever it has been shown.

The *HuffPost* internet newspaper notes: "*Ocean Frontiers* is a film that can help turn the tide in protecting our oceans, and one which every member of Congress—and every American—should see. It has been premiering to rave reviews all across the country and internationally as well, and it delivers a message we all need to heed."

Ocean Frontiers is an independent film from Green Fire Productions, which was founded by Karen and Ralf Meyer in Oregon. To make the documentary, the couple crisscrossed the country, meeting and filming people they call "ocean pioneers." Along the way they discovered some unlikely allies at the forefront of implementing promising new approaches to ocean and coastal management.

From Iowa to the Florida Keys, from the busy harbor of Boston to the coast of Oregon, the film shows industrial shippers and whale biologists, pig farmers and wetland ecologists, sport and commercial fishermen, snorkelers and more coming together to formulate workable solutions in a new spirit of cooperation while also revealing the conflicts they face and how they are trying to work them out.

Production of *Ocean Frontiers* was made possible by The Keith Campbell Foundation for the Environment, National Marine Sanctuary Foundation, and The Lazar Foundation.

The film has been named an Official Selection of the 2012 Wild and Scenic Film Festival in Nevada City, CA, as well as a jury nomination for Best Science Communication and the Official Selection for the 2012 Reel Earth Environmental Film Festival in Palmerston, New Zealand.

Admission to the film is \$5 general; Peninsula College students will be admitted free-of-charge with a current student ID.

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