



ANNOUNCING THE PREMIER OF THE ANNUAL SWEPE FILM FESTIVAL
Friday, October 23 - Sunday, October 25, 2015
at Tahoe Art Haus & Cinema and other Tahoe City venues

SWEPE | Sierra Watershed Education Partnerships is proud to present this first year of its Annual Film Festival – **Water! The Essential.** – highlighting water related issues of our present time. The Festival will present innovative films about water conservation, management, and personal adventure stories of stewardship – all focused on water in its many forms.

A Call for Filmmakers ...

SWEPE invites submissions of water related environmental and adventure films to be considered for official selection in the 1st Annual Film Festival with this year's theme of **Water! The Essential.**, happening October 23-25, 2015. This three day festival will be held at Tahoe Art Haus & Cinema and other Tahoe City venues, at North Lake Tahoe.

The focus of the Film Festival is Water, so we welcome submissions that relate to the conservation of water, the impacts of climate change on water and water supply, and films about water-based recreation. We will also consider cutting-edge and provocative films addressing topics such as community activism, adventure, conservation, wildlife, environmental justice, agriculture, and indigenous cultures.

"We are especially looking for films that relate to the theme of our first annual festival, **Water! The Essential.**," said Suzanne Wilkins, Film Festival chair and SWEPE board member. "SWEPE is an organization focused on watershed education and knowing that we are operating in a precarious environment in terms of water and water supply, we hope to take this opportunity to help educate people about what they can do to help conserve water, improve water quality – and inspire them to take action."

The SWEPE Film Festival will present a session of locally produced films and heartily encourages local and regional filmmakers to submit their work of any length for consideration.

Open submissions run from July 15 through August 31, 2015. Send current links of full films (or film trailers) to Darren Campbell at darren@coldstreamcreative.com. Preference will be given to films that are completed and viewable in their final version by the August 31 cut off date.

For more information go to www.4swep.org, or call Darren Campbell, Film Festival Program Chair, at (541)531-5641.