

# MOUNTAINFILM PARTNERS WITH SUSTAINAFEST & PREMIERES 2012 FILMS



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### *Mountainfilm Partners with SustainaFest and Premieres 2012 Films in Telluride Festival*

*Annapolis, MD* - Started in 1979, Mountainfilm in Telluride is one of America's longest-running film festivals. This award-winning program screens independent documentary films from around the world and highlights critical issues facing our planet. Given the strong alignment of the SustainaFest and Mountainfilm missions, it made complete sense for the two organizations to partner in pursuit of our mutual goals.

Working together, Mountainfilm and SustainaFest will feature a compilation of six "best of" films that will be screened in the evening on Saturday, October 6, 2012 at the Francis Scott Key Auditorium at St. John's College in Annapolis. In addition, several award-winning filmmakers and change-makers will join us to share their passion and discuss their films. (NOTE: Keep an eye open for the up-coming SustainaFest Film Contest, a unique event soliciting ground-breaking films to be judged by innovative filmmakers from the Mountainfilm community and beyond).

This past week, two SustainaFest Board members attended the 34th Annual Mountainfilm in Telluride Festival and had the tremendous opportunity to view dozens of entertaining films, participate in numerous discussions on key issues of sustainability, and enjoy the unique Mountainfilm experience. In addition, our Board gained valuable information from the Mountainfilm organizers on how to conduct events in the most sustainable fashion possible.

"Our partnership with Mountainfilm is key to our success. With complementary missions and a shared drive to make a lasting difference in the lives of our communities, it only made sense for us to collaborate," stated George Chmael, President and CEO of SustainaFest. "The opportunity to learn from their expertise and get a glimpse of some of the phenomenal films that we will feature in the fall was a wonderful experience. We plan to return each year to support our Mountainfilm friends and hope that others from our SustainaFest community can join us in 2013."

Join the celebration - and ongoing conversation - on what we can all do to create a healthier, more prosperous, and sustainable Chesapeake Bay region. To learn more about SustainaFest, our events and activities, please visit [www.sustainafest.org](http://www.sustainafest.org) or email us at [info@sustainafest.org](mailto:info@sustainafest.org)