



Presented by Winter Wildlands Alliance, the annual Backcountry Film Festival celebrates the power and spirit of humans in winter. Out of 320+ films submitted, the Backcountry Film Festival film selection committee has chosen this year's very best stories of backcountry adventure and snow cinema by human-powered athletes, brands, activists and adventurers.



SURVIVING OUR STORY - *2024 Human Powered Film Grant Winner*

24:33 minutes

By Connor Ryan and Isaiah Branch Boyle

For two skiers caught in back-to-back Colorado avalanches, surviving the accident is only the beginning of the journey to reclaim their lives and find their way back to the snow.



DRAWN IN

7:33 minutes

By Jessa Gilbert and Justin Taylor Smith

Artist Jessa Gilbert finds inspiration, lines in the snow, and a beginning at the bottom of the world.



A ROSE FOR ALL

6:00 minutes

By Chris Kitchen, KGB Productions

Half an hour from downtown Reno, Nevada, lies a public gateway to wild snow. But can we make room for everybody?



SVEN – A LIFE IN FRONT OF THE LENS

16:05 minutes

By Gabe Rovick, F4D Studio

Veteran cover boy Sven Brunso may just be the most photographed man in backcountry skiing. Will he ever give up?



THE GLIDE - *Backcountry Film Festival Jury Award Winner (2024)*

3:00 minutes

By Luc Mehl

After several close calls in avalanches, Winter Wildlands Alliance's Alaska-based ambassador Luc Mehl wanted to explore some different terrain.



A LINE IN THE SNOW

14:02 minutes

By Ryan Rumpca, Manifested Moose Media

Professional arctic explorer Annie Aggens, her daughters and their four-legged friends go winter camping in the wilds of Minnesota's Boundary Waters.



THE POWER OF FOUR

7:33 minutes

By Forest Barton

Spandex, skinny skis, struggle and redemption in the headwaters of the Roaring Fork.



NOVELTY LINES

4:42 minutes

By Anthony Cupaiuolo, First Tracks Productions

Splitboarder Claire Hewitt-Demeyer pushes the limits of human-powered type 2 fun for a surprising first descent.



ON THIN SNOW

9:22 minutes

By Jonah Rafael and Kalef Steinberg

Avalanche scientist Brian Lazar digs into the increasingly variable snowpack in Colorado to see what climate change means for backcountry skiing.



NISEI

7:36 minutes

By Iz La Motte, Sierra Schlag

In the tension between her Japanese and American heritage, pro-skier Sierra Schlag finds graceful lines through deep powder.



SONG OF ICE

2:26 minutes

By Arthus Kauffeisen

A lyrical dance through frozen mountain landscapes with very earnest voiceover.