

The International Nature Festival – in alpine urban ambience at the beginning of October 2020

In the middle of nature is Innsbruck, the host city of the International Nature Festival (INF), which is celebrating nature and the environment with locals and guests from 2-10 October 2020.

INF opens up the senses, lets you perceive and experience. How beautiful nature is, how important it is to treat it and the environment with care, how simple it can actually be and how much joy it brings. INF depicts how what is created and grows, how it is used and preserved. INF encourages and rewards. INF affirms: that nature and the environment is everyone's business. The motto of the festival is:

You are nature – We are nature.

AROUND THE WORLD, DEEP INTO NATURE: CINEMA TIME

It is the origin of the INF: the Innsbruck Nature Film Festival (INFF), which is taking place this autumn for the 19th time. Out of hundreds of submitted films, 50 works make it onto the big screen. All competition films will be shown from 6-9 October 2020 in the spacious Metropol Kino at the foot of the Innsbruck Nordkette. Three films that have already received their nomination express just how wide-ranging the programme at the 19th INFF will be.

The Dutch documentary SHEEP HERO directed by Ton van Zantvoort accompanies the wandering shepherd Stijn in his passionate struggle to preserve his traditional *and* dream job. A classic, so to speak. In addition, SPACE DOGS is the crazy one. Under the direction of Elsa Kremser and Levin Peter, a magical tale of Moscow street dogs is formed, from their ascent into space to life on the ground. Finally, the thriller: WATSON, a crime-fighting superhero of the high seas. Hollywood-awarded Lesley Chilcott paints a portrait of the Sea Shepherd founder Paul Watson, a man willing to put his own life and liberty at risk to protect the oceans and the marine life within.

COLORFUL FESTIVAL PROGRAM

The International Nature Festival involves the local population as well as guests from near and far. As diverse as the film programme is, so rich is the rest of the programme: varied and eye-opening, exciting and eventful. Tangy and sensitive. Informative and entertaining. What does that mean in concrete terms? Here are some extracts from the festival programme:

With SENSES excursions take you out into the Karwendel Alpine Park and to the environmental exhibition in the foyer of the Metropol. With SCIENCE, a geography hike on the Nordkette mountain and a climate discussion in the couch room. With KIDS

transform rubbish into art and capture images with the Tyrolean biologist and filmmaker Patrick Centurioni. His film „Wildes Innsbruck“ will be shown in the Leokino as part of the INFF school programme. In the outdoor locations in the city, bread will be baked (Wiltener Platzl), picnics will be held and clothes repaired (Waltherpark). In the GUSTO kitchens delicious regional products will be prepared and served in their restaurants.

All of this will take place from 2-10 October 2020 in Innsbruck, the capital of Tyrol. It's all real and organised with care and expertise. Festival Director Johannes Kostenzer (Tyrolean Environmental Ombudsman) and Event Director Thilo Bohatsch together with their team and INF partners will make sure of that.

Information, dates, updates and tips are available on the INF digital channels
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ATTENTION:

THERE'S STUFF GOING ON *BEFORE* THE FESTIVAL WEEK IN OCTOBER!

INF ON TOUR

At the end of August, INF is going on tour with a selection of films and activities out and about in the park, in the city, on the river. Be it "Science Slam" on the INF stage at the Haller Biomarkt or river surfing on the Inn. The evening film screening on World Rivers Day Tyrol at Sillzwickel will be a special one: electricity for the open air cinema equipment will be generated by a bike!

For further information please visit: <https://naturefestival.eu/en/on-tour/>

UNIQA INF SUSTAINABILITY AWARD

€ 3,000 beckon for a contribution to the sustainable development of society. The deadline for submissions is 20 September 2020. Absolutely anyone can enter, small or large, individual or group, company or association. Be it something creative, something tangible, something invented, a project or initiative, an event or campaign. The best submissions will make it to the final round during INF 2020.

For further information please visit: <https://naturefestival.eu/en/sustainability-award/>

FACTS

Event title: INTERNATIONAL NATURE FESTIVAL (INF)
Date: 2-10 October 2020
City/country: Innsbruck, Tyrol, Austria
Topics: Nature and environment
Slogan: You are nature! We are nature!

About the INTERNATIONAL NATURE FESTIVAL 2020

The INTERNATIONAL NATURE FESTIVAL will take place from 2-10 October 2020 in the urban alpine city of Innsbruck. A week dedicated to the conscious treatment of nature and the environment, focusing on the promotion of a sustainable and future-oriented development of society. The INTERNATIONAL NATURE FESTIVAL offers a wide range of activities in the so-called EXPERIENCES (with SENSES, SCIENCE, GUSTO and KIDS) and in FILM for people of all ages, backgrounds and interests.

About the INTERNATIONAL NATURE FESTIVAL – INF

The merger of the Innsbruck Nature Film Festival and the Innsbruck Nature Festival resulted in the INTERNATIONAL NATURE FESTIVAL. The unique Nature FILM Festival in Innsbruck is accompanied by EXPERIENCES. In addition, the INF will be hitting the road via ON TOUR to bring important topics surrounding nature and the environment to the fore in other regions and to make a valuable contribution to the sustainable development of society.

Event title: INNSBRUCK NATURE FILM FESTIVAL (INFF)
Date: 6-9 October 2020
Category: International film contest, member of Green Film Network GFN
Run: 50 films shown in different blocks to the public
Locations: Metropol Kino (Innsbruck), Leokino (Innsbruck)
Trailer: [click!](#)

About the history of the INFF – INNSBRUCK NATURE FILM FESTIVAL

Originating from the Innsbruck Nature Film Days, which have been enriching the state capital's cultural scene since 2002, the rise to the international film competition INNSBRUCK NATURE FILM FESTIVAL came about in 2013. Its success and the increasingly relevant theme of „Nature and the Environment“ in everyday life, brought with it in 2018, the idea of an integrative, interdisciplinary festival (INF) to fruition. In 2020 INFF celebrates its 19th edition.

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