The Trouble With Wolves Examines Coexistence with America's Most Controversial Predator — Streaming May 12, 2020

(SEATTLE, WA): Wolves. Cherished and lauded by nature and wildlife conservationists. Source of destruction and symbol of governmental overstep to ranchers and hunting outfitters. Set to release on May 12, *The Trouble with Wolves* is the acclaimed debut film from native Northwest independent filmmaker, Collin Monda, that dives deep into what coexistence really looks like with the iconic apex predator.

Five years in the making, the 57-minute documentary centers around the ongoing battle for balance between wolf advocates and those most affected by their predatory nature. "When I began this project, I immediately realized how little I actually knew about wolves in the wild," said Monda. "But I realized that was a part of the story. Moving forward, I was determined to just listen. And that's what I'm trying to put on screen now: a middleground you really can't see or hear through all the divisive headlines and intense politics surrounding these animals."

The Trouble With Wolves - Official Trailer HD

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About The Trouble With Wolves

Once exterminated from the lower 48 states, wolves have made a triumphant return to Yellowstone National Park and the surrounding states. Hailed as, 'the greatest animal conservation success in human history,' to many others living in the areas affected, the story is dramatically different. There is after all, a reason wolves have been, and continue to be, the world's most controversial predator. But the question remains: do they deserve a place on this landscape?

From hunters without game and ranchers on the brink of losing their family businesses, to the biologists who personally brought the wolves back and the wildlife managers struggling to find equilibrium, *The Trouble With Wolves* is a rich character study revealing what's really going on in the American West, and it probably isn't what you've been told by agenda-driven environmentalists or rabid anti-wolf groups. To learn more, visit <u>TheTroubleWithWolves.com</u>.

Release Information

Now until May 11, 2020 — iTunes Pre-Order

If a goal of 250 pre-orders is reached, the filmmaker will be donating 50% of pre-order proceeds to <u>Wolf Haven</u> <u>International</u>, a 501 nonprofit organization providing sanctuary for rescued wolves and breeding programs to support threatened wild populations.

May 12th — Rent or own for \$12.99

- iTunes
- Amazon Prime Video
- VUDU
- Google Play
- YouTube Movies & Shows
- Microsoft
- PlayStation
- Vimeo On Demand
- Blu-ray / DVD via Amazon

About the Filmmaker

Director Collin Monda followed the truth to the center of the divide to create this important story about the iconic wolf. With the goal of showing a truly balanced point of view, the film connects strongly with audiences across the map. *The Trouble With Wolves* is Collin's debut documentary feature, and the spark of a deep passion for coexistence in all forms.

<u>Reviews</u>

"One of the rare documentaries that transcends its own subject."

- Visit Seattle

"Absolutely fantastic in every way...emotionally, factually, and practically. I really couldn't have dreamed of a better way to think about wolves."

- Sierra Club

"We believe that this film, which includes interviews with ranchers, wildlife biologists, state wolf management, and Yellowstone Wolf Restoration leaders, presents the most balanced, respectful film to date about coexistence."

- Wolf Haven International

Recent Screenings

January 2020 - World Wildlife Foundation / Belgium September 16, 2019 - Wolf Haven Intl. Event / Billings, MT August 21, 2019 - Wolf Haven Intl. Event / Red Lodge, MT July 18, 2019 - Conservation NW Event / Patagonia of Seattle June 20-23, 2019 - Pelicam Film Fest / Tulcea, Romania

Festivals & Awards

Big Sky Documentary Film Festival | Capital City Film Festival | International Wildlife Film Festival NYC Indie Film Festival | Wolf Haven International Special Screening | SF Doc Film Festival Peekskill Film Festival | New Hope Film Festival | Asheville Film Festival | Jefferson State Flixx Fest Crested Butte Film Fest | Local Sightings Film Festival | Wildlife Conservation Film Festival | Portland Film Festival | Napa Valley Film Festival | Wild & Scenic Film Fest | Green Bay Film Festival | Las Cruces Film Festival | San Luis Obispo Film Fest | DC Environmental Film Fest | Garden State Film Fest Maryland Intl. Film Fest | South Side Film Fest



Winner, Best Documentary - Las Cruces Film Festival 2019 Winner, Best Feature - Local Sightings Film Festival 2018 Winner, Best Documentary - Peekskill Film Festival 2018 Winner, Best Animal Welfare Film - New Hope Film Festival 2018 Winner, Excellence in Environmental Filmmaking - SF Doc Fest 2018 Finalist, Best Documentary - Julien Dubuque Film Festival 2019 Finalist, Big Sky Award - Big Sky Documentary Film Festival 2018