

## FAMILY, FUN, ADVENTURE & FAME: THE BRECK FILM FEST DELIVERS IT ALL

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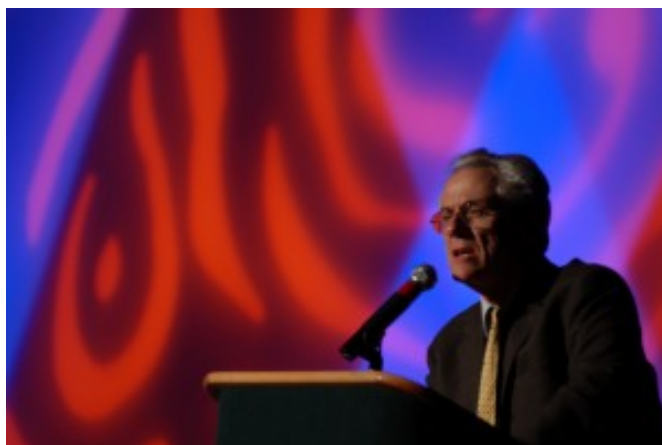
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The 34<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Breckenridge Film Festival returns to the mountain community of Breckenridge on September 18-21, 2014, with literally something for everyone.

The **Breck Film Fest**, as one of the longest running film festivals in the country, has a rich

history of presenting diverse film experiences in an authentic mountain environment. Past festivals have featured a vast array of cinematic experiences, from documentaries to short films, to comedies to premieres, and have included the star-studded likes of Donald Sutherland. Jo Beth



Well known film and TV critic Jeffrey Lyons addresses the crowd at a past Breckenridge Film Festival.

DB Sweeney. This year's festival promises even more big screen experiences that will delight the kids, inspire the adventurous, and educate those that would like to learn a bit more about film making. So whether your tastes run to drama or comedy, documentary or fantasy, with a setting in the picturesque mountains of Breckenridge, what's not to love about this film festival?



JoBeth Williams & Jeffrey Lyons participate in an outdoor film forum with the picturesque mountains of Breckenridge in the background.

adventure, the Festival presents the 'Adventure Reel', with films that include kayaking in the rainforests of Southern Mexico in "Beyond the Drop," questing after glaciers in Uganda's Rwenzori Mountains in "Snows of the Nile," and an epic first ascent through the dense rainforest and up the steep walls of Guyana's Mount Roraima in "Roraima – Climbers of the Lost World". Another two films which are sure to appeal to both locals and visitors that have a love of the mountains, winter and active lifestyles and activities include "McConkey", the story of a ski pioneer who broke free of ski

The Children's FREE Community Program features three short films, including "Blue", "Lady B's First Winter", and the award-winning animated short "I Need My Monster", with opportunities for kids to both view and interact with film in an exploratory experience. "Lady B's First Winter" tells the story of an avalanche dog as a puppy through its rigorous training with Telluride Ski Patroller Gary Richard. After the films there will be a presentation by Lady B and her handlers as well as a film-related activity with the University of Colorado (Denver) Digital Animation Department staff and students. This free children's program is made possible by Climax Molybdenum, Whole Foods Market, Little Earth Studio and University of Colorado (Denver) Digital Animation Department.

For adults who are inspired by



freeskiing and “Close Call on Kilimanjaro with Martina Navratilova”, the acclaimed tennis star and philanthropist. There will be no spoiler alerts here: you’ll have to come watch the films for yourself.

And with this lineup of interesting and inspiring films, you’ll want to plan ahead by checking out the full schedule of events [here](#). ([Printable PDF Complete Schedule here](#))

Thomas Haden Church answers audience questions with film critic Jeffrey Lyons at a past Breck Film Fest.

For those that want a taste of Hollywood, the Festival again offers up premiere film experiences, with stars and directors in attendance. The opening night premier of “It’s Not You, It’s Me,” is a fun and quirky romantic comedy starring Jessica York. York, who is known for her work on the red carpet and on many television networks, such as FOX, DISH and HGTV, intends to be in attendance for the film and participate in a question-and-answer session afterwards with the film’s director, Nathan Ives. And the closing night premier of “Una Vida,” which is dedicated to finding a cure for Alzheimer’s disease, features Aunjanue Ellis. Ellis, who has a lengthy resume, including co-starring roles in “The Help,” and “Men of Honor,” plans to attend the showing of the film, alongside the film’s director, Richie Adams, and writer, Nicolas Bazan.

So, let’s see – movies that inspire you: check. Filmmakers in attendance and a chance to meet them: double check. Movies for the little ones to watch and have fun at: check and check. So really, what’s preventing you from attending this year’s Breck Film Fest? You forgot to make the travel plans? No worries...tickets are still available at [www.breckfilmfest.com](http://www.breckfilmfest.com) and last minute lodging is also available through [www.gobreck.com](http://www.gobreck.com). The lights, cameras and action are just waiting for you to arrive!