

TURTLE: The Incredible Journey

Directed by Nick Stringer

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We believe that films like the one you just saw can change the world. At the CIFF, we present these films to provoke thought, inspire dialogue, and spark ideas. Now we're taking it one step further by encouraging you to take action steps to address the issues you've learned about today. Get involved! Make change happen!

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Speak Up

- Talk to five people about the film you saw today.
- Start a conversation at the dinner table about turtles and their amazing journey.
- Share your personal story—publish a story; blog about it; make art; talk to a friend, a class or a community group. Download the “How To Help Turtles” Fact Sheet to get you started at www.saveourseas.com/how-to-help.
- Write a letter to the editor regarding an issue that you are passionate about. Go to www.nancyschwartz.com/letters_to_the_editor.html for tips on writing your letter and send it to the local daily papers, such as forum@plaind.com and vop@thebeaconjournal.com.

Get Involved

- Spread the Turtle word by sending a TURTLE: The Incredible Journey e-postcard to a friend to introduce them to the film and topic. Visit www.saveourseas.com/spread-the-turtle-word.
- Sign the petition to stop the drowning of the Loggerhead Sea Turtle in the Gulf of Mexico. Visit www.seaturtles.org and click on Action Alert.
- Join the Cleveland Metroparks volunteer team. Assist with education programs, nature preservation projects, or the EarthWords Nature Shops. These are just a few examples of the rewarding opportunities awaiting you. To learn more and request a volunteer packet, contact the manager of volunteer activities at 216.635.3258 or email hat@clevelandmetroparks.com.
- Pick up a copy of the Emerald Necklace, free to Cuyahoga County residents, or go to www.clevelandmetroparks.com to learn about the great activities at the parks, like the North Coast Nature Festival April 23 – 25, 2010 at the Rocky River Reservation.
- Make the Cleveland Metroparks part of your life, naturally. Take a stroll through one of the 16 reservations. With over 21,000 acres of land to explore there is something for everyone. Visit www.clevelandmetroparks.com for more information.



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Stay Informed

- Visit the film's website to explore the facts and issues, and even track the star of the film, Feebee the Loggerhead turtle, as she travels on her journey. Visit www.saveourseas.com/explore and www.saveourseas.com/track-us.
- To learn more about the Sea Turtle Restoration Project's current campaigns and to sign up for their email updates, visit www.seaturtles.org.
- Go to the U.S. Office of Protected Resources link to educate yourself about the Loggerhead species at www.nmfs.noaa.gov/pr/species/turtles/loggerhead.htm.
- To learn more about local preservation efforts, visit the Cleveland Metroparks Natural Resource Division at www.clemetparks.com/Naturalresources/index.asp.
- Visit the Turtle Survival Alliance to learn more about fresh water and terrestrial turtles, and projects happening around the globe at www.turtlesurvival.org.

Make a Donation

- Visit the Save our Seas Foundation and the six turtle projects they support at www.saveourseas.com/how-to-help. Then donate to help with these projects at www.saveourseas.com/donate.
- To assist stranded beach mammals, donate to the National Aquarium and their Marine Animal Rescue Program. The program is designed to rescue, rehabilitate, and return marine animals to the wild. For more information, visit <http://www.aqua.org/makeadifference/marp.html>.
- Adopt a nest through the Sea Turtle Restoration Project. Visit www.seaturtles.org and click on the Donate Now tab.
- Help protect the green space throughout our region by donating to the Cleveland Metroparks. For ideas on how you can support wetland conservation, watershed preservation, and other initiatives, call 216.635.3217 or visit www.clemetparks.com/aboutus/get_involved/index.asp.
- Become a member of the Turtle Survival Alliance and help them reach their goal of zero turtle extinctions in the 21st century. Visit www.turtlesurvival.org and click on the Get Involved tab.

LET THE CIFF KNOW ABOUT THE ACTION STEPS YOU TAKE. Email us at action@clevelandfilm.org.

