



# CINEFISH FILM FESTIVAL

**WEDNESDAY 6TH NOVEMBER | 7:00PM (EST)**

*La Creole Beach Hotel & Spa, Guadeloupe, FWI*

**77TH GULF AND CARIBBEAN FISHERIES INSTITUTE**

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## THE BARBADIAN MATRIARCHY OF FISHING

**Description:** The Barbadian Matriarchy of Fishing is a mini-documentary featuring two Bajan fisherladies who are dynamic community leaders. The aim of the documentary is to raise awareness of the importance of the role that women play in the fisheries sector in Barbados and the need for their participation in policy and decision-making. It also communicates the importance of women's contribution to the sustainable development of the sector.

**Filmmaker:** Jawade Elibox (Uppercase Visuals)

**Language:** English

**Running Time:** 8:42

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## BEAKED WHALES OF THE BAHAMAS

**Description:** Beaked whales inhabit the deep waters of The Bahamas but are a cryptic species that most Bahamians have never heard of. This short film was produced to introduce Bahamians to these fascinating deep-diving whales that reside year-round in Bahamian waters.

**Filmmakers:** BMMRO & Loggerhead Productions

**Language:** English

**Running Time:** 9:00

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## The Importance of Fishing Regulations and Their Benefits to Fishermen

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## THE IMPORTANCE OF FISHING REGULATIONS & THEIR BENEFITS TO FISHERMEN

**Description:** Our film summarizes fishing regulations in the Turks and Caicos Islands and emphasizes the ecological reasons behind the rules and how these ultimately benefit fisherfolk. To cater to all commercial fishers, English, Spanish, and Creole versions of the film have been produced. The film was developed in collaboration with local fisherfolk and complements a brochure, posters, and a website that present the fishing regulations in an illustrated format that is accessible to fisherfolk of all languages and levels of literacy.

**Filmmaker:** John Claydon and Marta Calosso (FisherFolkFirst)

**Language:** English

**Running Time:** 12:00

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## a LINE in the SAND

### **A LINE IN THE SAND**

**Description:** A Line in the Sand Definition: " a point beyond which one will not go" The island of Andros is a pristine ecosystem, with the largest freshwater source in the Bahamas, massive mangrove shoreline, of the world's largest barrier reefs, and a legendary bonefish habitat. Now, a small group of anglers and activists are raising their voices in an effort to stop a 5,000-acre limestone mine threatening its future. By following two anglers' return to their former home (and mission to find trophy bonefish), A Line in the Sand is meant to draw just that - and show the world there are things more valuable than money.

**Filmmaker:** Harrison Hughes, Steve Schwartz

**Language:** English

**Running Time:** 12:54

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**GUADELOUPE  
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## **COASTAL RESILIENCE: THE LIFE ADAPT'ISLAND PROJECT**

**Description:** Mangroves, seagrass beds, and corals are essential for protecting our coasts and combating climate change. Their destruction endangers both the species that inhabit them and our own safety. To preserve them, adopt responsible actions like proper waste disposal, using buoys for boat anchoring, and choosing coral-friendly sunscreens, while supporting the efforts of the LIFE ADAPT'ISLAND project.

**Filmmakers:** Guadeloupe Port Caraïbes

**Language:** English

**Running Time:** 3:19

# Ambergris

## AMBERGRIS BAHAMAS

**Description:** Ambergris is a product most commonly used in the French perfume business. Bahamians know it is valuable and comes from the marine environment but not much more. This short film explains where ambergris comes from, how it is used and how to find and sell it legally with an underlying message of conservation of marine life.

**Filmmaker:** BMMRO & Loggerhead Productions

**Language:** English

**Running Time:** 6:22

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A FILM BY **CLAUDIA CRESPO**  
PRODUCTION ASSISTED BY REGNER RAMOS,  
FABIOLA GUZMÁN & KLEANTHIS KYRIAKOU.

## VILLAS PESQUERAS

**Description:** Five fishermen from three traditional fishing villages of Puerto Rico narrate their stories and struggles, highlighting the importance of these spaces, their culture, and concerns with the legislation and climate change.

**Filmmaker:** Claudia Crespo

**Language:** Spanish

**Running Time:** 10:00



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## DOMINICAN REPUBLIC REACHES THE PROTECTION OF 30% OF ITS WATERS

**Description:** On April 10, 2024, the government of Dominican Republic announced the creation of the new Orlando Jorge Mera marine sanctuary and the expansion of the Marine Mammal Sanctuary of Banco de la Plata & de la Navidad. With this announcement, the country increases the total protected area of its exclusive economic zone to 30%, making it the first nation in the Caribbean to achieve the 30x30 goal. Thanks to the bold leadership of the Dominican Republic, important species such as humpback whales, sperm whales, and dolphins that traverse this region will find refuge and be able to maintain balance in the productive ecosystems of our oceans.

**Filmmaker:** SeaLegacy

**Language:** English

**Running Time:** 2:21

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## LA RÉGION GUADELOUPE EN SOUTIEN À LA CCS

**Description:** La Caribbean Cetacean Society (CCS) est une association créée en 2020 par deux biologistes marins originaires de Guadeloupe et de Martinique. Cette ONG est une association française loi 1901, basée en Martinique et qui vise à travailler à l'échelle de la Caraïbe pour améliorer la protection des cétacés à travers des actions de coopération, recherche, éducation et conservation. Nous sommes forts d'un réseau impliquant des directeurs d'ONGs internationales, des chercheurs, des experts en conservation, des représentants de gouvernements... et des professionnels et passionnés partageant tous les mêmes ambitions. À travers cette vidéo, découvrez comment la région Guadeloupe c'est impliqué à nos côtés, pour soutenir le programme Ti Whale an Nou en Guadeloupe en 2021.

**Filmmakers:** CCS - Caribbean Cetacean Society

**Language:** French

**Running Time:** 3:58

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## THE FIRST CETACEAN RESEARCH EXPEDITION FOR THE ABC ISLANDS

**Description:** In October 2023, CCS conducted the first expedition of the Ti Whale An Nou program for Aruba, Curacao and Bonaire. This was the first time a standardized research protocol to monitor whales and dolphins was applied to the ABC islands. Thanks to the support of WWF-NL, this research expedition allowed us to monitor the species diversity, distribution and relative abundance in the waters of the ABC islands and create awareness for the need to expand the Yarari Sanctuary in Bonaire to Curacao and Aruba. Embark with us on this adventure!

**Filmmaker:** WWF

**Language:** English

**Running Time:** 5:42

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## EMERALD SANCTUARY

**Description:** Emerald Sanctuary investigates the central role of seagrass in the ecology and culture of coastal Florida through comparisons of two distinct coastal communities, revealing how seagrass' catastrophic decline, due to water pollution, is tied to our charismatic megafauna and much of Florida's way of life. Seagrasses are a lynchpin in the tapestry of our coasts, providing food and habitat for manatees, gamefish, and sea turtles, while keeping our water clean, inviting, and full of life. The film also reveals how some communities are restoring their seagrasses, breathing life into their waterways and providing hope for the future of Florida's coasts.

**Filmmaker:** Conor MacDonnell, Kent Anderson, Sean Havas, Will Fritz, Tyler Parker

**Language:** English

**Running Time:** 12:25

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## PISKADÓ PA SEMPER

**Description:** The documentary 'Piskadó pa semper' tells the story of Bonairean fishermen, their passion and the challenges they face. The collaboration with others to preserve their profession for the future is also highlighted.

**Filmmakers:** Raynel Cecilia; WWF-NL, Museo SKAL Bonaire; FuHiKuBo

**Language:** Papiamentu, English

**Running Time:** 15:00