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For the first time, Tom Tom Foundation is Partnering with Wild Virginia for the Wild & Scenic Film Fest

The festival is close, and we can almost taste it! Wild Virginia is excited to announce a new partnership with a large community entity here in Charlottesville. The Tom Tom Foundation is a nonprofit organization that celebrates entrepreneurs, civic leaders, and creators who are shaping cities and communities across the nation.

This screening at Vinegar Hill Theater on April 11th will be a special sneak peek of the Wild and Scenic Film Festival! Over three nights this spring, Wild Virginia will bring inspiring environmental films to Charlottesville and Staunton. These award-winning films highlight the pressures on our planet and the ways we can all help to make the world a better place. Teaming up with the Tom Tom Festival gives you a special chance to see what all the excitement is about. Grab a drink and a snack and settle in to get inspired.

"At this one-hour preview show, we'll be highlighting ways to make a better world by learning from and working together with nature," says Executive Director, Misty Boos.

Biomimicry will highlight a vision for creating a long-term, sustainable world, and The Art of Fog Catching will compliment it with how locals in the Sahara Desert are adapting to the effects of drought and climate change. Lightening the mood is *March of the Newts*, a film following one of the forest's funkiest creatures and showing how you can protect this sensitive species.

For only \$8, enjoy this pre-screening of award-winning films and learn more about this great festival. There is a limited seat capacity, so grab your tickets at the <u>Tom Tom Festival's website</u>.

Wild Virginia is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that is protecting and connecting your favorite wild places. **We educate** citizens, landowners, and other stakeholders about threats to our forests through hikes, outings and events. **We advocate** for the connectivity and integrity of Virginia's forests and waters. **We influence** decision makers by mobilizing citizens.