

Wavescape unveils female-centric line-up

This year, the Wavescape Surf & Ocean Festival will focus on women in its ocean-conscious event line-up. From 20 November to 10 December 2017, Wavescape will showcase the talents of female scientists, artists, photographers, and activists who use the ocean as their muse to advocate change

Wavescape will premiere the all-female surf film *Blue Road* as well as photographer Saskia Koerner's *Light Waves* photographic exhibition of women in surfing.



Olga Sinenko

A strong female presence can also be found in the Artboard Project, Clifton Beach Screening, Slide Night, Film Festival, and Blue Ocean Master Class. The iconic poster depicts a twist of the mermaid motif with a woman surfer morphing into a tentacled sea monster below the surface.

Wavescape has partnered with the V&A Waterfront's Ocean Life Festival to screen some of the best current ocean conservation films. The Ocean Film Festival curated by Wavescape will screen *Smog of the Sea*, *Blue*, *Chasing Coral* and *A Plastic Ocean* at Ster Kinekor Cinema Nouveau between 29 November and 1 December 2017.

Wavescape will also hosts a film night at Rolling Wood Surf & Skate Store, a Beach Coop Beach Cleanup, Jack Black movie night, Mami Wata's Night of African Adventure, and the Beach Reach educational day for children hosted by the Save our Seas Foundation.

Festival director Shani Judes said: "Every year our festival showcases amazing people, their acts of kindness, talents and genuine love for the ocean. This year, we are particularly chuffed to have so many more women taking centre stage and

dominating our line-up. Pollution and global warming affects us all and we are all able to help effect that change."



Supporting partners are Marine Stewardship Council, Jack Black Beer, Wesgro Film and Media Promotion, Save Our Seas Foundation, Petco, Long Beach Capital, Mami Wata, Deus ex Machina, Channel 24 and Wavescape.co.za.

Line-up

20-28 Nov: Art Board Exhibition, Jack Black Beer Brewery

28 Nov: Auction with Rob Van Vuuren, Jack Black Beer Brewery, 7.30pm

22 Nov: Film Night, Rolling Wood Surf & Skate Store, Muizenberg, 6pm

30 Nov: Light Waves Exhibition, Red Bull Studio, Bree Street, 6pm

29 Nov-1 Dec: Ocean Film Festival, Cinema Nouveau, V&A Waterfront, 8pm

2 Dec: Beach Co-Op Milnerton Beach Cleanup, art & surf demo, 8am

2 Dec: Clifton Screening, Clifton 4th Beach, 8pm

4 Dec: Slide Night, Centre for the Book, 7:30pm

5 Dec: Jack Black Movie Night, 10 Brigid Road, Diepriver, 8pm

5 Dec: Mami Wata Night of African Adventure, Keep it Simple Surf shop, Cape Town, 6.30pm

6 Dec: Wesgro Blue Ocean Master Class, InvestSA One Stop Shop Western Cape, Cape Town, 6pm

7-10 Dec: Film Festival, Labia Cinema, 6pm and 8pm shows

TBC: Beach Reach Youth Education Session by Save Our Seas Foundation

Slide Night

Bernie Shelley – (WP Longboard Champ). Live Narration of a Film Ghost Ship

Faine Pearl Loubser - Sea Change Project

Ceinwen Smith - Beach COOP project

Saskia Koerner - Women Surfing Photographer

Andrea Angel - Seabirds bycatch Bird Life

Dougal Paterson - Surf Filmmaking

John McCarthy - Surfing Life Adventures "Untold Stories"

Ian Thurtell - Water Photography Technology

Robin de Kock - Surfing, the Olympics and the Future

Mike Schlebach - Dungeon Keepers