

The background of the top half of the page is a close-up photograph of a forest floor. It features various green plants, including moss and small ferns, with some water droplets visible on the leaves. The lighting is soft and natural, creating a serene and wild atmosphere.

Wild

NOVA SCOTIA

Season 2 - Electronic Press Kit

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Wild Nova Scotia is available to view on Eastlink
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Synopsis

Wild Nova Scotia is a television show that sweeps the viewer deep into the rich natural world of our last great forests, stunning coastal treasures and rare species habitats exploring the secrets of each unique ecosystem thriving right here in Nova Scotia.

Nova Scotia land conservation is a tremendous success story. These lands have been protected for all time, for your great grandchildren and for mine, but we don't know much about them. This show celebrates and educates the audience about our natural riches and why they have been protected.

Each half hour episode will take the viewer to one of Nova Scotia's many of protected wild spaces on some of the 14,000 protected acres from Yarmouth to Cape Breton. Hosted by Zoe D'Amato, the audience will also meet different ecologists, biologists, conservation experts and land stewards who will explore why the wild space needed to be protected.

From rare plants, to birds, to animals, to rare ecosystems, we have incredible natural heritage to be proud of.

Imagine an episode where we visit the beautiful mountains of Cape Breton and learn about the importance of protecting such a gems. It's a little more obvious why we have to protect some our coastal habitats but we'll learn about why rivers and the land alongside them are essential corridors for the birds, plants and animals that live within these ecosystems.

One of the most exciting episodes will be spent exploring Bon Portage Island where we'll learn about incredible birds who nest underground and who are related to the albatross.

Other episodes will feature places that are important bird habitat, endangered species habitat, urban wild lands, and our last great forests. There will be a great variety of environments and visuals.

Although the show is meant to educate, it's also meant to excite the audience by sharing secrets about our natural environments that have been right in front of us, hidden in plain sight all along and foster a love wild spaces.

During this time of pandemic people have found themselves drawn to the beauty of nature and realizing more than ever, the power Wild places have. Part science, part sacred, the power of nature unites us all.

The Nova Scotia Nature Trust is one of the leading land trusts in North America and is the subject matter expert on this project.

Our Hosts



Zoe D'Amato

Zoe is a writer, host and producer from Nova Scotia. She has a degree in anthropology and art history from McGill University. With a focus on cultural and educational programming, Zoe's worldwide adventures can be seen on networks including Travel Channel International, Discovery International and PBS. Zoe also writes, shoots, produces and presents for various award-winning digital series.



Erinn Drage

Erinn's interests span both the natural and social sciences. She has a background in environmental sciences, wilderness advocacy, tourism, outdoor recreation, and documentary filmmaking. Her work has led to various recognitions over the years including being named one of Canada's top 25 under 25 environmentalists, top 30 under 30 sustainability leaders, and top 30 under 30 environmental educators



Oren Hercz

Oren Hercz RHP has been in practice as a Clinical Herbalist since 2010, working in holistic health clinics, a family medicine office, and in private practice online. He helps people living with chronic health issues who want to feel a greater sense of ease and wellness in mind and body. He is a Registered Herbal Practitioner (RHP) with the Herbalist Association of Nova Scotia, where he currently sits on the board of directors.

Production Team



Tracy Bennett

PRODUCER

As the producer of eight seasons of the television series, Maritime Made, director of four seasons of Nova Scotia's Best, and producer of the new slow TV series, Half Speed Adventures, Tracy has recently produced and released two seasons of her next television series production, Wild Nova Scotia. Tracy is currently in development of a new series, to be released in 2024.



Ann Bernier

EXECUTIVE PRODUCER

Ann Bernier has over three decades of experience as a professional in the screen industry in Canada. She was Director of Operations and Development at imX Communications Inc. which produced such award winning coproduction films as Margaret's Museum starring Helena Bonham Carter, Love and Death on Long Island starring John Hurt and Jason Priestly, New Waterford Girl. While there, she produced The Wild Dogs by Thom Fitzgerald and the Canada/France co-production Folle Embellie. She is producer on John Walker's last three feature documentary including his most recent Assholes: A Theory for documentary Channel.



Julian Gibbs

DIRECTOR AND EDITOR

Julian started his television career at his local community cable station in Burlington, Ontario. Since then he's worked from coast to coast on many popular Canadian television programs such as Front Page Challenge, Drivers Seat, Street Cents and This Hour Has 22 Minutes. He also spent a number of years honing his technical and creative skills in television news.

Most recently, Julian directed seven seasons of the television program Maritime Made, was the director of photography of four seasons of Nova Scotia's Best, directed the slow TV series, Half Speed Adventures and has recently directed two seasons of the nature documentary series, Wild Nova Scotia.



Scott Berrington

DIRECTOR OF PHOTOGRAPHY

Scott Berrington is a professional freelance video camera operator with over 34 years' experience in television production. With a natural eye for composition and a passion for storytelling through the lens, Scott's experience encompasses a range of diverse projects. Based out of Halifax, Nova Scotia, his work has included projects across Canada, extensively in Atlantic Canada, as well as Scotland, Belgium and Florida, USA. Whether exploring the outdoors, capturing sporting events, interviewing politicians and celebrities or an in-studio set up, Scott brings to his work inspiring non-stop creativity, along with a positive, authentic and personable attitude.

Production Credits

Host Zoe D'Amato	Segment Hosts Erinn Drage Oren Hercz	Director Julian Gibbs
DOP Scott Berrington	Writer Tracy Bennett	Location Sound Ian Thomson Aram Kouyoumdjian Erik Southey Josh Owens
Aerial Cinematography Julian Gibbs	Executive Producer Ann Bernier	Producer Tracy Bennett
Production Coordinator Kelsey Power	Hair / Wardrobe Clare Gibbs	Production Accounting Kimberly Dossett
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Press Release

TV Series Featuring Protected Land Nova Scotia Launches Season 2

Halifax, N.S. (January 22, 2023) - Launching today, Wild Nova Scotia Season 2 is a 13 part television series celebrating wild places across Nova Scotia.

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Nova Scotia land conservation is a tremendous success story. This show celebrates and educates the audience about our natural riches and why they have been protected.

"This season we take the viewers even deeper into the wild. We visit 13 different places, from islands with rare birds to the forest with the oldest known tree in the maritimes and explore why protection of these places matters. There's so much to learn and so much to love," says Tracy Bennett, Producer at Wild Space Productions.

This nature documentary series features 13 different wild locations from off the coast of Yarmouth to the top of the Cape Breton Highlands.

"The show is packed with information but we made sure to include these really beautiful, slow moving interludes that really show off the raw beauty of these wild places," says Julian Gibbs, director of Wild Nova Scotia.

Produced by Wild Space Productions Season 2, with support from Eastlink Community TV, Nova Scotia, CAVCO and Firefly Digital Media, this series runs Sundays at 3pm on channel 10 and 610 on Eastlink Community TV in Nova Scotia.

For more information about Wild Nova Scotia, visit <https://www.firefly.video/wildnovascotia>

If unable to view on Eastlink Community TV, the Cape Breton episode is available for viewing at LINK REQUIRED

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