Corporate Connections

Ways to Partner with American Wildlands



AWL Staff & the EcoAuto "roving billboard" for Patagonia's Wild & Scenic Environmental Film Festival.

merican Wildlands knows that businesses care as much as we do about the Northern Rockies and our natural treasures. As a conservation organization, AWL's work with businesses helps us maintain ecological connectivity through human connections. The important corporate support we receive greatly advances our conservation mission to keep the US Northern Rockies ecologically intact.

How can your organization HELP?

American Wildlands offers many opportunites for businesses to get involved with our work. We've divided these into three main categories:

Business Membership Event Sponsorship Creative Collaboration

We do hope you'll join us and get connected to wildlands, wildlife and wildness!



AWL Executive Director Tom Skeele speaking at the Gallatin River Celebration

Business Membership

Financial support is the most direct way for businesses to contribute to our programs and on-the-ground work. With your help, we can continue to make vital progress on improving wildlife crossings in Bozeman Pass, the High Divide, and MacDonald Pass—to name but a few. It also allows us to continue to offer heavily discounted GIS Mapping services to other community non-profits.

Basic Business Membership - \$250

- Tax deductible donation
- Quarterly Newsletter & Updates
- Link & Logo on our website
- Recognition display for workplace as a Proud Sponsor of American Wildlands

Patron Business Membership - \$500

- Tax deductible donation
- Quarterly Newsletter & Updates
- Link & Logo on our website
- Recognition display for workplace as a Proud Sponsor of American Wildlands
- **F**eatured in our *Sponsor Sidebar* of our monthly e-alert, targeted to AWL members in your business location.

Vanguard Business Membership - \$1000+

- Tax deductible donation
- Quarterly Newsletter & Updates
- Link & Logo on our website
- Recognition display for workplace as a Proud Sponsor of American Wildlands
- Featured in our Sponsor Sidebar of our monthly e-alert, targeted to AWL members in your business location.
- Recognition in our Annual Corporate Support Thank-You in key regional US Northern Rockies newspapers across the region.

EVENT SPONSORSHIP

American Wildlands hosts a number of public events throughout the year. These events are announced to our membership and the broader community on both a local and national level.

Patagonia Wild & Scenic Environmental Film Festival

This popular event draws people from Bozeman and beyond for three days of exciting and educational films about the environment.

Sponsor Levels (more info on next pages)

Festival Partner	\$3,000	Premier Sponsor	\$1,500			
Most Exposure — 1 available		Prominent Exposure — 2	Prominent Exposure — 2 available			
Connected Sponsor	\$1,000	Associated Sponsor	\$500			
Considerable Exposure — 4 available		Good Exposure — 5 avai	Good Exposure — 5 available			

Connecting Ecology & Economy Series

Fun and informative quarterly gatherings featuring local businesses and their efforts to foster connections between love of nature and economic sustainability. Limited to 1 sponsor per event.

Sponsor \$500

Keeping Connected Series

Each month, AWL hosts a get-together for a variety of speakers to discuss current projects at AWL and what we can all do to help keep our wildlands connected. Alternates between our Bozeman and Missoula locations.

Limited to 1 sponsor per event.

Sponsor \$250



Patagonia's Wild & Scenic Environmental Film Festival Marquee

CREATIVE COLLABORATION - OTHER WAYS TO GIVE

There are also a number of other creative ways for corporations to show their support for American Wildlands and our mission:

- 1. Participate in a Cross Promotional Marketing effort of some kind, by donating a portion of your sales (or sales of a particular product) to AWL. Some recent examples of cross promotion with AWL:
 - a) Teas Etc. has created the Bear Hugs Blend especially for American Wildlands, donating a portion of sales profits for this blend.
 - b) Darwin Design Clothing Company donated 10% of all t-shirt sales that came through AWL's website.
 - c) Northern Lights Trading Company donated \$20 for every pair of a particular brand of Keen Shoes sold. Keen in turn matched that donation.
 - d) Sage Living Spas donated a day of discounted services, with all proceeds from that day going directly to American Wildlands.
- 2. Make an in-kind donation of a product or service for an auction, raffle or door prize. Prizes are a big boost to our events. Past donations include:
 - a) Fleece pullovers from Patagonia
 - b) Autographed works by Tom Murphy
 - c) Private property donated as part of a vacation prize
 - d) A jean jacket from Gibson Guitar
 - e) A gift certificate good toward sustainable furniture from Q Collection
- 3. Offer to match employees' contributions to AWL. There are great tax incentives to corporate matching programs that benefit both the employer and the employee. And of course American Wildlands benefits from the donation!



AWL Law Conference at Chico Hot Springs in Pray, MT



The Mighty Grizzly Bear

- 4. **Donate a product or service** to help keep our expenses down, so our organization can be as profitable as possible. Ideas from help we've received in the past include:
 - a) Beer and Wine for our evening events from Alliance Spirts & Wine.
 - b) Discounts on soft drinks from the Co-Op at our Film Festival.
 - c) Office furniture and supplies donated from various sources.
- 5. Help Promote AWL! Some of the many ways to do this include:
 - a) Displaying AWL literature in your store.
 - b) Including information about AWL in organizational mailings.
 - c) Putting AWL brochures in packages along with your products.
- 6. **Invite AWL to make a presentation** to your clients, employees, members, constituents, customers or other professional affiliations. Ideas range from your client base to your local Rotary chapter.
- 7. Provide opportunities for AWL to send information to your customer list. There are many businesses with like-minded customer bases that we'd love to get the word out to—ranging from outdoor outfitters and sporting goods shops to eateries and specialty boutiques.

Patagonia's *Wild and Scenic Environmental Film Festival*American Wildlands 2008 Sponsor Benefits

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Sponsorship Benefits*	Festival Partner	Premier Sponsor	Connected Sponsor	AssociateSponsor	Supporter	Friend
	\$3,000	\$1,500	\$1,000	\$500	\$250	\$100
(details next page)	(1 available)	(2 available)	(4 available)	(5 available)		
Promotional materials with sponsor logo	Most Prominent	Included	Included	Included	~	~
Advertisement in Program	Full Page	1/2 Page	1/4 Page	Business Card	~	~
Program listing in "Sponsor Thank You"	Most Prominent	Prominent	Prominent	Included	Included	Included
Sponsor Logo with Link on Web	1st Tier	2nd Tier	3rd Tier	~	~	~
Sponsor Name Listing with Link on Web	~	~	~	Included	Included	~
Mention in Newsletter	Included	Included	Included	Included	~	~
Verbal Recognition on Stage	Each Session	~	~	~	~	~
Logo on Pre-Film Video	Each Session	Each Session	Each Session	Each Session	~	~
Signage in Theater	Most Prominent	Prominent	~	~	~	~
Exhibitor space at Event	Included	Included	Included	~	~	~
Gold Comp Tickets	20	15	15	10	10	5

^{*} All sponsors at the Supporter Level or higher are automatically considered Basic Business Members and receive those benefits as well.



EXPLANATION OF FILM FESTIVAL BENEFITS

- 1. Promotional Materials refers to all posters, print ads, flyers and handouts.
- 2. *Advertisement in Program* refers to advertising space in the programs handed out each evening at the events.
- 3. *Program Listing in Sponsor Thank You* refers to the name of your business being listed on the "Thank You" page of our program.
- 4. Sponsor Logo w/link on Web vs. Sponsor Name listing w/link on Web In the first case, we feature your logo on our website with a direct link to your website (larger donors get larger logos). In the second case, we list your name with others who have sponsored, but your name gets a traditional underline-style link no logo.
- 5. *Mention in Newsletter* refers to an acknowledgement in the American Wildlands quarterly newsletter, On The Wild Side.
- 6. *Verbal Recognition on Stage* refers to a public "thank you" to your organization from the podium before each performance.
- 7. *Logo on Pre-Film Video* refers to the opening credits video American Wildlands will run before each screening.
- 8. Signage in Theater refers to hanging corporate banners in the auditorium.
- 9. *Exhibitor space at the Event* refers to tabling opportunities for your business at the theater.
- 10. *Gold Comp Tickets* are tickets just for sponsors, each good for admission to any one performance over the course of the weekend.

TESTIMONIALS

"Organizations like AWL are critical because they're working on and watch dogging our precious wilderness resources. Please be aware your Wildlands need everyone's help."

- Mike Garcia, Northern Lights Trading Company

"It was very nice to indulge myself knowing I was also contributing to an organization so instrumental in wildlife protection and conservation. I look forward to spending even more time at Sage this Earth Day.

- Shannon Roberts , Participant - Sage Spas Earth Day

"Ressler Toyota really enjoys working with AWL and was happy to be a sponsor of the Patagonia Wild and Scenic Film Festival. As a dealer of Hybrid vehicles, Ressler is proud to support a group whose conservation mission is to keep the US Northern Rockies ecologically intact."

- Shaven Larsen, Ressler Motors



The Selkirk mountains

AWL Corporate Partners

BUSINESSES **Adventure Medical Kits** Alliance Spirits & Wine, LLC **Allied Land Title** Allstate Insurance Alpine Orthopedic & Sports Medicine American Medical Flyfishing **Backwoods Mountain Sports Barrel Mountaineering Baxter Hotel Best Western Grantree Inn Big Hole Brewing** Big Horn Café **Big Sky Carvers Big Sky Chamber of Commerce Big Sky Resort Big Timberworks Biota Research & Consulting** Bikram Yoga Bozeman **Blue Ribbon Flies Boojum Expeditions Bozeman Angler Bozeman Athletic Club Bozeman Brewing Co Bozeman Hot Springs Bridger Kitchens Bridger Owners Association** Buck's T-4 Bugaboo Café By Word of Mouth Café Zydeco Capers Chaco Community Food Co-op Conservation Innovations, Inc The Complete Fly Fisher Country Bookshelf Crazy Creek **Cutthroat Communications** DA Davidson Darwin Design Clothing Co Dave's Sushi DCS Photo, Inc. **Digital Projection Inc East Slope Anglers EcoAuto**

Equinox Theater F-11 Photographic Supplies Family Practice Assoc. **Fishing Outfitters of Montana Full Sail Gallatin Alpine Sports** Gallatin Gateway Inn Gallatin River Lodge **Gallatin River Guides** Galusha, Higgins & Galusha Gear For Good **Geyser Whitewater Expeditions** Gibson Guitar Danielle Girard Goetz, Madden & Dunn Gordon & Rees, LLP **Gourmet Gas Station Greater Yellowstone Flyfishers Grizzly Outfitters GWC Designs** Half Circle Ranch Hall and Hall **High Country Adventures** Homepage Café **Hungry Moose Market** Images on the Wildside Indulgence **Insty Prints** Jacklin's Fly Shop John Bozeman's Bistro La Parilla / The Garage Leaf & Bean **Lightfoot Cycles** Live Water Properties, LLC Looie's Down Under Lone Mountain Ranch **MacKenzie River Pizza** Mary Gary Agency Microsoft Giving Campaign **Minnesota Fly Fishers Montana Ale Works Montana Alpine Guides** Montana Art & Garden River Inn Montana Flycast Guide Service **Montana Import Group** Montana Panoramic

Montana Whitewater **Moonlight Basin** Mountain Media **Murray Hotel Mystery Ranch** The Next Step Northern Lights Off the Beaten Path **Old Main Gallery and Framing On-Site Management Open Range Consulting Outa Ware** Pacifica Spa Palmquist & Palmquist Papoose Creek Lodge Patagonia Patagonia Outlet **PickleBarrel** Piper Jaffray Ponca Photography **Potosi Hot Springs Resort** Prijon WildWasser Sport USA **Q** Collection Montana Ale Works **Montana Alpine Guides** Montana Art & Garden River Inn Montana Flycast Guide Service Montana Import Group **Montana Panoramic Montana Whitewater Moonlight Basin** Mountain Media Murray Hotel **Mystery Ranch** The Next Step **Northern Lights Trading Company** Off the Beaten Path **Old Main Gallery and Framing On-Site Management Open Range Consulting Outa Ware** Pacifica Spa Palmquist & Palmquist Papoose Creek Lodge Patagonia Patagonia Outlet **PickleBarrel** Piper Jaffray Ponca Photography **Potosi Hot Springs Resort**

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