

# Kuranda Film Society

Saturday 10th December at 4.00 pm (EXCEPTIONAL ONCE-ONLY NEW TIME) at the Kuranda Recreation Centre, Fallon Road

Bring a plate to share.

Subscriptions for 2012 is \$20 per year, commencing February, or \$5 for a one-day membership. For more information ring Hans at 4093 8393

### Off the Map

Based on the play by Joan Ackermann (and adapted by Ackermann for the screen), *Off the Map* recalls one summer in the life of an offbeat family living off the land in rural New Mexico. It's essentially a series of dialogue-driven scenarios that actors like Joan Allen and Sam Elliott can sink their teeth into; Scott guides them there while avoiding any unnecessary scene-chewing or melodrama that could come with the subject matter. That's an accomplishment in itself – but the visual dreaminess and charm that Scott weaves into, and wraps around, his performances elevate the film into a poignant and thoughtful work of art.

Off the Map exists in the mind of Bo Groden (Valentina de Angelis), a bold, inquisitive 12-year-old girl, the only child of Arlene (Allen), an earthy no-nonsense family stronghold, and Charley (Elliott), a secretive, silent man suffering from unbearable depression. Bo tells of the one summer (presumably in the late 1960s) that served as the best – and maybe also the worst – of her life, during months of Dad's unstoppable crying and an audit from the IRS.

### **House of Bamboo**

An American military policeman infiltrates a Japanese-based crime organisation which is responsible for the robbery of a munitions train outside Tokyo. The policeman assumes the identity of a gangster while the gang is a para-military organisation recruiting only ex-GIs. Fuller's intention was to show that the only difference between the police and the gangsters is a tin badge. There are also overtones of the ugly American in Asia.

The actress Shirley Yamaguchi is Japanese, born in China and is a singer, actor and diplomat.



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# Celebrate Tropical Tree Planting Day

with Mobile Muster trees

# Saturday 10 Dec 7:30 – 9am

Bring water, hat and gloves if you have them.

We're aiming for **500** trees of our 5,500 in the ground, holes are pre dug to make it easier, then morning tea to follow



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phones help to achieve significant environmental outcomes. This Includes restoring native vegetation and protecting endangered species; all by recovering and reusing the materials in old mobiles through recycling with Mobile Muster.

Last year Mobile Muster, via Landcare Australia, supported 4 projects, including Kuranda Envirocare's endangered species project at Warrill Creek. This project involves planting 5,500 trees as a corridor around the mouth of Warril Creek and along the riparian stretches of the Barron River, for Southern Cassowary and the Kuranda Tree Frog.

Mobile phones are not biodegradable, but are 90 per cent recyclable. "It's estimated that seven out of 10 Australians have at least one unused mobile that could be recycled." source Mobile Muster.

Ask about mobile phone recycling at your local mobile phone seller.

### A good news "Out of Africa" story

You missed a really heartening story - John Beasley spoke on a great result for land restoration through Agro forestry in the very poor Sahel region of Africa. The tree of choice is a fast growing deciduous acacia, and maize crop yields have doubled or trebled in the last 10 years when this tree overhangs the cropping fields

Check it out at www.worldagroforestrycentre.org

"A brown revolution for Africa", 3<sup>rd</sup> blog on left hand side

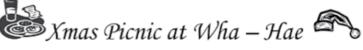
#### Armchair conservationist??

Can't get out and be physically involved but are interested in wildlife conservation. You could help by identifying some of the thousands of photos taken of wildlife through motion detecting cameras located around the world, looking for endangered species. It's simple to follow and fun to do, all you need is a way to access the internet, from your computer, your iPad or even iPhone.

Check out www.edgeofexistence.org/instantwild/

# The Xmas gift dilemma

Want to give a gift for Xmas that continues to give?
How about donating trees through our local Grow Project.
We have lovely gift certificates which you can send to show the gift you've given.



Saturday 3 Dec 3:30 pm onwards
BYO chair and drinks and a plate to share

Box trailer for hire, ring 4093 9926 Good selection of garden sized rainforest shrubs available,

Reminder – Nursery now open 10:30 till 1pm Saturdays, & Mon & Thurs 9 till 1pm, closed 24 Dec to 4 Jan, ring 4093 83939

### SATURDAY morning Tree Planting again

Now the rain is almost here we're planting again. Meet at nursery , 284 Myola Road 8.00-9.30am, then morning tea. Ring Margaret 4093 8393

Give a gift that keeps growing through our local Grow Project
www.envirocare.org.au info@envirocare.org.au

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