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The Whale Lagoon

Documentary Sneak Peek

About the Film

A documentary project directed by Francisco Campus-Lopez about Laguna San Ignacio, the last pristine gray whale breeding ground and nursery on the Pacific Coast of Baja California. The lagoon was the focus of an unprecedented successful international campaign to stop a proposed Mitsubishi- Mexican Government salt works there a generation ago and continues to be a site of innovative community-based sustainability efforts. Recently, the project expanded, bringing on Xiye Bastida to connect the whale lagoon project that started a generation ago to the challenge of climate change facing this generation.

Followed by a Q&A!

Francisco Campos-Lopez



Francisco was born in a small town in Chile, and has been shooting since he was a young child. His award winning film, *Acassis*, -"Best Thriller Award" at the New York International Independent Film Festival

2007- has been shown worldwide. The New York press proclaimed him as one of "the upcoming Latin directors to watch". 2011 marks his break into an international career.

Xiye Bastida

Xiye Bastida is a climate justice activist based in New York City. She is an organizer with Fridays For Future and the co-founder of Re-Earth Initiative, an international youth-led organization that focuses on highlighting



the intersectionality of the climate crisis. Bastida was the recipient of the 2018 UN Spirit Award and currently attends the University of Pennsylvania.

Join us for a preview screening!

Friday, November 17th
from 6-8pm
at Hippodrome
Theatre

Free and open to the
public!

Questions? Email Unna Yared, uyared@ufl.edu!