



Oregon Surfing

A Vital Way of Life



Synopsis

Oregon surfing might seem intimidating and complex, but the experience of riding waves in the chilly Oregon water can be extraordinary. What does surfing on the Oregon Coast have to offer? What might a surfer interact with while in the ocean? Why is activism for our ocean important? MSI's 2020 Science Filmmaking Intern, Maia Insinga, created this short film - Oregon Surfing: A Vital Way of Life - to highlight her personal feelings and passions about surfing in Oregon.

Meaning & Process

Surfing in Oregon since I was young has afforded me incredible experiences out on the water. From surfing above a seal to paddling out before the sun has risen, Oregon surfing has been an impactful part of my life. I am passionate about marine activism and conservation, and I strived to show that ardor in this film. When I was asked in the interview for this internship what I would choose as a topic for the film, I instantly knew that surfing on the Oregon Coast would be the perfect fit. I urge you to try out surfing in Oregon and experience all the wonders it has to offer. I spent 10 weeks planning, filming, writing and editing to create this personal, emotional and creative short film.