



Workshop 2005
Leading the Way

Riverworld

“A personal journey to the world’s wildest waters and places”

As part of Canada’s Wonder of Water celebrations, Mark Angelo, renowned river conservationist, paddler, teacher and writer, takes viewers on a visually stunning journey to many of the world’s wildest and most remote rivers. Over the past 4 decades, Mark has traveled along hundreds of waterways on 6 different continents and is well known to Canadians as a passionate and articulate advocate for our waterways.

As a kayaker and rafter, Mark has descended many of the world’s longest rivers such as the Nile, Yangtze, Amazon and Mekong - and has paddled many of the biggest rapids on Earth. As an avid fly-fisherman, Mark’s travels have taken him to exotic locales, ranging from the wilderness of New Zealand to the remoteness of Mongolia. He has also traveled extensively throughout Canada’s north.

Mark’s presentation will center on “the wonders of river travel and will take viewers to the most beautiful and remote places on the planet”. His presentation also emphasizes the importance of river conservation, provides an overview of the many threats confronting our waterways and discusses the plight of many indigenous people and cultures that are dependent on rivers.

Mark is the head of the Fish, Wildlife, Recreation Program at the British Columbia Institute of Technology and he is broadly viewed as one of North America’s pre-eminent river conservationists. He is the Rivers Chair of the Outdoor Recreation Council of BC and founder of BC Rivers Day, an event which attracts more than 50,000 participants annually. In 2001, Mark received his country’s highest honor, the Order of Canada, for his river conservation efforts both at home and abroad. Among his other honors are the Order of British Columbia, the National Recreational Fisheries Award and Canada’s National River Conservation Award.

If you care about rivers and our environment – and if you enjoy traveling and adventure - we think you’ll enjoy “this celebration of our rivers, waters and great wild places!”

Time – 75 to 90 minutes

Format – slide show and lecture

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