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5Point Adventure Film Festival

*featuring Tre'lan Michael
and Renan Öztürk*

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At the Carbondale Arts Gallery
in The Launchpad (76 S 4th Street)
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TRE'LAN MICHAEL

Artist Biography

Tre'lan Michael is a Professional Surfer, Artist and Model based in Los Angeles, CA. He is the subject of the biographical documentary 'Moving Mountains' premiering at the 5Point Film Festival. The film shares his early life experiences of hardship and is a testament to the transformative power of nature and the human spirit. Tre'lan's narrative is one of redemption, as his passion for big wave surfing has evolved into much more than an athletic pursuit, but has become a catalyst for healing and personal growth.

Artist Statement

Tre'lan Michael is an artist based in Los Angeles who seeks to interrupt the norms of traditional art by using hand cut collage to create ethereal works that invite viewers to contemplate the duality of emotions, and to offer comfort in the face of discomfort. Through his unique use of transmuting his once paper collages into cozy blankets, he invites audiences to confront the hardships of life while finding solace within the soft and comforting familiarity of a blanket as a medium. Each piece is a reflection of the duality of our existence, where beauty can be found within discomfort and comfort can be found in the midst of hardship. Tre'lan's work is a reminder to embrace the journey, finding solace in both the softness and the sharp edges of life.

Learn more about Tre'lan on Instagram: [@trelan.michael](https://www.instagram.com/trelan.michael)

RENAN ÖZTÜRK

Artist Biography

Renan Öztürk is a Turkish-American rock climber, free soloist, mountaineer, visual artist, and filmmaker. Renowned for his ascent of the Shark's Fin route on Meru Peak in the Himalayas, he has also made significant contributions to visual storytelling. Öztürk began his career as an expedition climber and landscape artist, creating paintings amidst the rugged landscapes of U.S. National Parks and the Himalayas.

Recognized as National Geographic Adventurer of the Year in 2013, he has since transitioned into commercial and documentary filmmaking. His work, including films like MERU and Sherpa, has garnered international acclaim and showcased his dual talents as a filmmaker and storyteller. Renan continues to push the boundaries of adventure and artistry, collaborating with major brands and capturing the essence of our connection to the natural world.

Artist Statement

Renan Öztürk, originally known for his landscape painting while climbing, brings a unique blend of artistic expression and alpine experience to his work. Living beneath the desert walls of Utah and the snowy Himalayan mountains, he creates vividly colorful landscapes using mixed media, found materials, and natural pigments sourced directly from the earth.

His impressionistic paintings, crafted on expedition, capture the wild beauty of these environments with acute detail and contouring. Each canvas, carried on his back for miles, bears the weathered marks of his alpine adventures, serving as a literal embodiment of the journey itself.

Learn more about Renan at renanozturk.com or on Instagram [@renanozturk](https://www.instagram.com/renanozturk)

Tre'Lan and Renan's films will be showing during the 17th Annual 5Point Adventure Film Festival (April 24-28, 2024) here in Carbondale. We hope you can join us!

MOVING MOUNTAINS

Director: Jessa Williams

Tre'lan Michael, a young, black man from Oklahoma, travels to a remote Hawaiian island in search of a better life and soon becomes enamored with big wave surfing. What seems a pointless pursuit to most now serves as his anchor in all of life's challenges.

THE POLAR PASSAGE

Directors: Andrew Harrison Brown, Renan Öztürk

An Inuit guide joins a scrappy team of adventurers attempting to sail a fiberglass boat across 8,000 miles from Maine to Alaska over the course of four months. But when a storm of sea ice threatens the entire expedition, the crew is forced to reconsider their preconceived notions of the Arctic and the cost of exposure for the Inuit community in the wake of a growing tourism industry.

More info at www.5pointfilm.org/festival



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About Carbondale Arts

Founded in 1974, Carbondale Arts builds an inclusive and vibrant community through the arts, supporting Carbondale's identity as a place that fosters creativity, collaboration, innovation, and artistic exploration.

Our dedication to this mission has been transformational to the history of Carbondale. We are made possible by volunteers, the generosity of our sponsors and community partners, collaborations with fellow non-profits, schools, local and state governments, and businesses.

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