

DAWSON FILM LAB DEVELOPS PLANTS INTO IMAGES

The Dawson Film Lab was an opportunity for film artists to come to the Klondike Institute of Art and Culture in Dawson City for a week-long residency (September 3-11). Participants shot Super 8 and 16mm analogue movie film which they hand-processed in buckets using ecological materials such as wildflowers and local plants. They also made phytograms and applied tint and tone to their films (with both conventional tints and toners, as well as with plants, spices and fruits).

10 filmmakers from Dawson City and across Canada took part in the lab.

Philip Hoffman of the Independent Image Retreat (The Film Farm) in Mount Forest, Ontario was the host/mentor of the Film Lab. Other filmmakers came from as far away as Iqaluit, New Brunswick, Saskatchewan BC, and Dawson City.

A foraging trip on the Top of The World highway yielded numerous plants that, when combined with Absorbic Acid (Vitamin C) and sodium carbonate, created organic developers suitable

for processing the film, rather than the harmful chemicals normally used in film processing. 12 different local plants were used and they all worked as developers.

The filmmakers took over the top floor of KIAC using the kitchen to process the plants, the darkroom for developing, and the ballroom for screening the results.

The week was also highlighted by a filming trip up the Dempster Highway and plenty of other Dawson highlights (dredges, shipwrecks, northern lights, Pit karaoke and more!)

Filmmakers were able to take the images they created to work on projects for the future, and maybe the 2023 Dawson Film Festival!

Comments from the filmmakers ranged from “a momentous workshop”, “life changing” “best summer camp of my life” and “a wild 10 days of amazingness!!”, “I have a new appreciation for the art and craft of working with celluloid film.”, “a rare, wonderful, and inspiring experience.”



THE DAWSON FILM LAB GROUP

FRONT: RACHEL EVANS (VICTORIA, BC), PHIL HOFFMAN (MOUNT FOREST, ON), TODD FRASER (FREDERICTON, NB), JONNY KLYNKRAMER (DAWSON CITY, YT)
BACK: BRIAN LYE (NELSON, BC), JEFFREY LANGILLE (DAWSON CITY, YT), SUZANNE CROCKER (DAWSON CITY, YT), MATT RIPPLINGER (REGINA, SK), LISA MILOSAVLJEVIC, IQALUIT, NU), KATHLEEN EDWARDS, (VANCOUVER, BC).



La séance d'automne 2022 de l'Assemblée législative du Yukon est convoquée le jeudi 6 octobre 2022.

L'Assemblée siège du lundi au jeudi, de 13 h à 17 h 30.

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