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Jason Hummel, photographer, conveys “An Alpine State of Mind”



Nationally published backcountry photographer and adventurer Jason Hummel will be at the [Mountain View Timberland Library](#) from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, November 17 to show images of his breathtaking photos and tell the stories behind them. Hummel will also explain techniques you can use to step up your own outdoor photography.

In 2003 Hummel’s best friend, an amateur photographer, passed away and Hummel picked up the Nikon FM3a his friend left to him. His photography career took off when he left his full-time job as a financial advisor in 2009. Hummel’s first few photographs were published in 2008 in a National Geographic map and on the cover of the Ski Journal. So far this year, over 100 photographs have been published in advertising, magazines and catalogs.

Hummel is a talented and humorous writer as well as an extraordinary photographer. His website is at www.alpinestateofmind.com. Here’s how he tells his own story:

“Two brothers, numerous mountains, and an outdoor family led to Jason’s early introduction to the Cascade Mountains of Washington State. By 5 years old he was learning to telemark ski on the slopes of Mount Rainier. By his teens he was pioneering steep ski descents, extended ski traverses, and kayaking throughout his local mountains. All along, those early adventures as a kid from Glacier Peak to Mount Olympus inspired him to go further, push deeper, and see more. Today, you’ll find him with a huge backpack, heavy camera tied to his chest, and healthy penchant for abuse set next to his ever present smile.”

The presentation is free of charge. The Friends of Mountain View Timberland Library are sponsoring the event, which will be held after regular library hours. No other library services will be available. The library is at 210 Silverbrook Road, Randle. For more information, please call the library at (360) 497-2665 or go to www.TRL.org.