



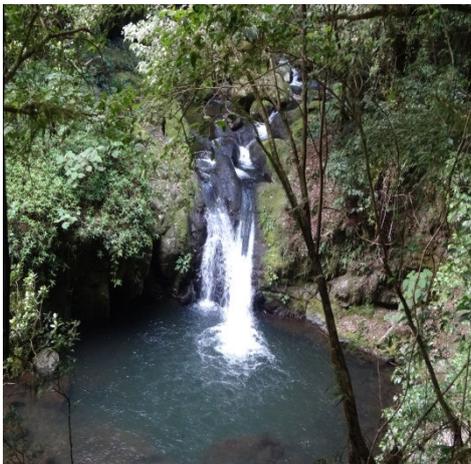
FRIDAY ENVIRONMENT FORUM

NPA Environment Centre

16 September 2016

Rainforest: The Secret of Life

At Noosa Parks Association's Friday Environment Forum on September 16, come on a remarkable journey into a glorious and hidden world when "*Rainforest: The Secret of Life*", a multi-award winning documentary will be screened. Producer David Warth takes the viewer deep into the forests of the Scenic Rim in Queensland and Mt Warning in northern New South Wales.



The hidden world of rainforest in Scenic Rim, Qld

These magnificent rainforests provide refuge for a multitude of creatures. Observe the Alberts' Lyrebird in its only habitat on Earth, as it performs its repertoire of bird calls, whilst an enormous Carpet Python prowls the forest floor in search of its next meal.

Will the Wonga Pigeon escape its jaws?

Can the Noisy Pitta parents who build a vulnerable nest on the ground protect their chicks through to maturity? Chuckle at the behaviour of the Satin Bowerbird as he fusses over his bower, whilst the exquisite Regent Bowerbird easily attracts a mate.

Rainforests are often referred to as 'the lungs of the Earth'. Latest scientific discoveries show how rainforests around the world are intricately involved in stabilising climate and yet they are rapidly being cleared so that now a mere 20% of the world's rainforests still stand. The leafy forest floor provides habitat for countless crawling creatures and others that feed upon them. Fungi grow and constantly decompose the fallen timber and vegetation creating an intricate web of life. This documentary was years in the making and features stunning cinematography. It underlines the fact that the survival of rainforests is fundamental to the future of all life on our planet.

All are welcome to join the audience On **16th September** at the Environment Centre, 5 Wallace Drive, Noosaville to enjoy *Rainforest: The Secret of Life*. Friday Environment Forum commences at 10.30am while coffee and a chat are on offer at 10.00. For those interested in an interpretive birding walk before the forum, meet Valda in the Environment Centre car park at 8.30am.

All welcome.



Male Satin Bowerbirds collect blue objects to decorate the bower.