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New Southern Exposure DVDs donated for all Jefferson County Libraries

Hoover, Ala.—The Alabama Rivers Alliance and Black Warrior Riverkeeper have partnered to donate copies of the latest edition of Southern Exposure to all public libraries in Jefferson County. Southern Exposure (southernexposurefilms.org) is a series of short documentaries on various Alabama environmental topics by independent filmmakers.

“We’re beyond grateful to the Alabama Rivers Alliance and Black Warrior Riverkeeper for making Southern Exposure available to every library in Jefferson County,” said Amanda Borden, president of the Jefferson County Library Cooperative Board of Directors and director of the Hoover Public Library. “Just like a river, the library is a wondrous place filled with all types of opportunity for discovery.”

Sponsored by the Alabama Rivers Alliance and made possible through partnership with environmental and conservation groups across the state, Southern Exposure fellows have the opportunity to create inspiring, captivating films that give viewers a sense of how much Alabama has to offer and the importance of protecting its resources.

This innovative summer fellowship brings emerging filmmakers from across the country to tell authentic, engaging stories through short documentary films about Alabama’s environment — and the people who cherish it — from the mountains to the coast.

“We are honored to have these films available to citizens in Jefferson County and beyond through this partnership,” said Cindy Lowry, executive director of Alabama Rivers Alliance. “The messages in these short documentaries are critical to the protection of Alabama’s 132,000 miles of rivers and streams, and to the protection of our land and way of life as Alabamians.”

Numerous films from past fellowship years have been selected for screening in juried film festivals around the country. Live screenings and online distribution of the films reach a variety of audiences in Alabama and across the nation, helping Southern Exposure fulfill the mission to spread awareness, appreciation and action on behalf of Alabama’s environment.

“Jefferson County residents can now visit 40 locations to borrow these DVDs for personal viewing or an event with their friends, family, church, and school,” said Charles Scribner, executive director of Black Warrior Riverkeeper. “We enthusiastically promoted Southern Exposure with its founder, Southern Environmental Law Center, and are thrilled to maintain that tradition with the Alabama Rivers Alliance.”

Alabama Rivers Alliance donated Southern Exposure DVDs to all [Birmingham Public Library locations on May 30](#) and all [Tuscaloosa Public Library locations on June 26](#).

For a high-resolution photo of Jefferson County Library Cooperative leaders with the DVD donors at the Hoover Public Library, [click here](#). *Photographed from left to right: Aadhar Kulshrestha (intern, Black Warrior Riverkeeper), Hudson Nuckolls (intern, Black Warrior Riverkeeper), Amanda Borden (president, Jefferson County Library Cooperative Board of Directors and director, Hoover Public Library), Tobin Cataldo (executive director, Jefferson County Library Cooperative), Cindy Lowry (executive director, Alabama Rivers Alliance) and Charles Scribner (executive director, Black Warrior Riverkeeper).*

For a high-resolution photo of the new Southern Exposure DVD cover, [click here](#).

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[Public Libraries in Jefferson County](#) present *40 Libraries, 1 County, 1 Card*. Discover this feature and the collaborative work of the public libraries through the Jefferson County Library Cooperative at [jclc.org](#).

[Alabama Rivers Alliance](#) is a statewide network of groups working to protect and restore all of Alabama’s water resources through building partnerships, empowering citizens, and advocating for sound water policy and its enforcement.

[Black Warrior Riverkeeper](#)’s mission is to protect and restore the Black Warrior River and its tributaries. The citizen-based nonprofit organization promotes clean water for improved public health, recreation, and wildlife habitat throughout the Black Warrior River watershed.