

Film Review: Oscar Winner! On-Air Review of 'My Octopus Teacher'

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CHICAGO – Patrick McDonald of HollywoodChicago.com appears on “The Morning Mess” with Scott Thompson on WBGR-FM (Monroe, Wisconsin), reviewing the new film “My Octopus Teacher.” The film just won Best Documentary feature at the 2021 Oscars, and is currently streaming on Netflix.



Rating: **4.0/5.0**

The story is essentially about filmmaker Craig Foster, at the point of burnout, returning to his native roots in South Africa near Cape Town to rejuvenate. He begins snorkeling in the Atlantic Ocean, within the cold water kelp forests near the coastline. An extraordinary incident occurs when he encounters an Octopus, and then develops a quasi-friendship with her. Because Octupi only live for one year, the friendship is experienced through that time period, in her environment, expertly put together by directors Pippa Ehrlich and James Reed.

“My Octopus Teacher” is currently streaming on Netflix. Featuring Craig Foster. Written and directed by Pippa Ehrlich and James Reed. Rated “G”



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