FLASH COMPETITION! Win tickets for the Edinburgh Mountain Film Festival

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The Edinburgh Mountain Film Festival takes place this weekend between 6-8 February 2015.

If you are interested in the outdoors for any reason at all then this festival in the lecture theatre in George Square will have films and talks to tempt you. The full programme is available here.

The Edinburgh Reporter is delighted to offer you the opportunity of winning a pair of tickets to the opening session on Friday 6 February 2015 at 7:30pm.

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Each of the EMFF's guest speakers has had their fair share of pain and suffering but have used that in a positive way. **Karen Darke** is now well-known as a successful cyclist in the British Paralympian team. She was just 21 when a climbing accident left her paralysed from the chest down but adventure remains a key part of her life. American mountaineer and photographer **Cory Richards** was a high-school drop out aged 14 but found his path through climbing. He endured horrendously cold weather & survived a major avalanche while making the first winter ascent of 8,035m Gasherbrum II. However, the ascent was a positive turning point in his life.

other speakers include top climber **Tom Randall**, who built a 'climbing dungeon' in his basement so that he could train for Century Crack, the world's toughest off-width crack climb;

and **Dave Cornthwaite**, who found the pain of the daily grind too much to bear so quit his job to embark on adventures as varied as skateboarding across Australia (3618 miles in 156 days) and swimming the length of the Missouri River (1,001 miles in 58 days).

As well as the speakers, there are many remarkable films being screened. The epic **Valley Uprising** tells the story of climbing in Yosemite and has won scores of awards at festivals across the world while **The Limbless Mountaineer** tells the story of Edinburgh mountaineer Jamie Andrew's dream of climbing the Matterhorn — and Jamie will be there to introduce the film.

Fans of the extreme will marvel at **Stone Free**, featuring legendary solo climber Julian Lines climbing (and falling) in the Highlands. Snowsports fans will be drooling at the many awesome films shot in venues as diverse as Alaska, the NZ Alps, Baffin Island and the Cairngorms. A series of mountain bike films and adventurous journeys in wild places ensure that there truly is something for everyone.

Next festival: 6-8 February 2015

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