

# Buddha Wild Monk In The Hut releases in USA DVD and Theatrical

"Buddha Wild Monk in the Hut" by Anna Wilding is launching its formal Canadian and American Amazon DVD release with a kick off event in New York on 12 January 2006.

"Wild" meaning to be one with nature, is a film that in a deftly created and entertaining manner, presents a positive message to the entire world. The critics and the general public who have been fortunate to see Buddha Wild Monk and have raved about this original and humble film. The film, with its stunning images and virtuosic and original handling of Asian cultural themes, is eligible for Academy Award(TM) nomination consideration 2007 in the main categories. Anna Wilding presented and spoke about her film "Buddha Wild Monk in the Hut" in November at the Calgary Buddhist Film Series in Canada and has spoken about the film and the making of it on several occasions throughout the world. The critically-acclaimed film was one of six films selected for its "artistic merit and thematic diversity" and was highlighted at the Buddhist Film Series. The films selected alongside "Buddha Wild Monk In The Hut" include "Little Buddha", "Last Samurai", "Crash", "Ghost Dog Way of the Samurai" and "I Heart Huckabees." USA Sales are being handled by Carpe Diem Films LLC, [www.carpediemfilms.net](http://www.carpediemfilms.net) at [www.buddhawild.com](http://www.buddhawild.com) and NZ and Australian Distribution handled by Gilm Scrine Films Ltd, [www.gilscrinefilms.com.au](http://www.gilscrinefilms.com.au)

This small budget vibrant film screened for 2 weeks in cinema in Los Angeles garnering Critics Pick by LA Weekly Critic Mark Olsen who wrote: "GO ! Inspiration ! A Surprisingly Pleasant Trip," whilst Union Jack Newspaper stated: "Accomplished. Anna Wilding Captures Our Attention." Sean Hoade of Amazon writes "I was charmed by it. The films utter lack of pretension, coupled with an affectionate glimpse of what real Buddhist monks are like (funny and self effacing but serious about their mission), makes for a unique viewing experience." Buddha Wild also recently had a four week run in Christchurch NZ and more screenings are being booked to follow there, New York and other places in art house cinemas.

"Buddha Wild Monk In The Hut" was Directed, Produced, Written and Narrated by Anna Wilding, telling the simple and pure tale of monks on a missionary monastery. At times humorous film it focuses on the thoughts and meaning of peace and loving kindness in this day and age of war and the Asian culture. Despite limited access to large cameras and with the filmmaker facing constant days of rain, the film has been woven together in a complex and intelligent style that suits a Buddhist narrative and utilizes a combination of guerrilla, poetic, narrative feature and music video techniques. The film has consistently received good houses and praise for its colorful, engaging yet natural story telling by Anna Wilding and clever but easy to understand distillation of the complex Buddhist and Asian cultural beliefs. Since its limited screenings, "Buddha Wild Monk In The Hut" has captured a host of outstanding reviews: "the nonlinear style is fascinating -- It is an entertaining and informative, even compelling, ode to the life and mission of the world's hundreds of thousands of monks, especially the Theravadins in south-east Asia, and if you're interested in Buddhism -- or in human nature in general -- and get the chance to see Buddha Wild, do yourself a favor and take advantage of the opportunity."

"Buddha Wild Monk In The Hut" was produced, directed and narrated by Anna Wilding, whose additional responsibility included screenplay and cinematography. Original Music by Charles David Denler and Sound Editing by Alasdair Kindcaid. Anna Wilding made the entertaining film which has appealed to main stream audiences to counteract instances of racism she witnessed in the hope that a greater understanding of cultural diversity in a positive way would subconsciously bring about a stronger step towards peace.