Surfmovies : the history of the surf film

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Description

Filmmaker and historian Albie Thoms has compiled the most complete look at the sport, art and lifestyle of surfing, seen through the mirror of film. More than twenty years of research has given him a unique insight into a fascinating century of beach culture on film and video. From the South Seas travelogues and "magic lantern" lectures of the early part of the century, through the surfboat-crazed newsreels of the 1930s and 40s to the birth of the surfmovie in the 1950s and the Hollywood beach movies of the 1960s, Thoms tracks every nuance and development in surf and beach film leading to the huge surf culture of today.