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RADIO PROGRAMME

Right, well we come to the part of the programme where we look at what's on in our area. And this week we've got something really rather special to look forward to. It's a festival of Wild Life Films at the Regent Arts Centre. The festival runs for Saturday and Sunday and it's got something for everyone, whether you're 8 or 80! I've only got time to tell you about a few of the films on offer, but at least it'll give you a flavor of the programme.

OK. So first off on Saturday morning is a film called *My Life as an Ant* which starts at 10.30 a.m., have I got that right? ... Yes, 10.30. This is definitely one for the children. The leading character is a tiny ant, just one centimeter long. And he introduces us to his world as he travels around, looking for food to take back to his family. *My Life as an Ant* was made using the latest digital technology, and it comes from Japan. From what I've heard, the close-up images of the insect world are pretty amazing.

OK, well if you're not into creepy-crawlies, and I know some people aren't, we can move from one of the smallest creatures to one of the largest, because there's another great film on Saturday evening. This one's called *Ocean Oasis*. It's an American production and it was filmed in the oceans around the coast of Mexico. It's a film that takes you into the fantastic life and colours of the coral reefs. And there's also some amazing film of scientists swimming side by side with huge sea creatures like giant manta rays and even whales. This is a real adventure for the mind and senses.

Moving on to Sunday, we've got two more great offerings. First at 11 in the morning there's a film from China called *The Mystery of Yunnan Snub-nosed Monkey*. This is very special. It took ten years to make and it's the first real in-depth study of these monkeys which live deep in the forests of south west China, Apparently there's under fifteen hundred of them left now, so they're obviously in real danger of extinction. Anyway it's a wonderful film and it won a TVE Award last year. Not sure what that stands for, exactly ... Anybody know? No, no one in the studio knows. I expect one of our listeners will have the answer.

The last film I'm going to tell you about is on Sunday afternoon. It's called *Riverhorse* and it was made by a team of film-makers from the UK. It's the story of a family of hippos living by an African river, and the film follows the family over a two-year period. In that time the film-makers managed to get incredibly close to the hippos as well as to crocodiles and other river animals. *Riverhorse* also won a film award last year- it won the 'Animal Behaviour' category of the Panda film awards.

So that's just four of the fabulous films on offer at the festival but there's plenty more to choose from, as well as competitions and activities for children. For more details, just give the Box Office a ring. The telephone number, if I can just find it ... Yes, the number to ring is 973 4617. I'll repeat that 973 4617.

On now to the sporting fixtures for the weekend, and here's Amy to give us the details ...