

Introducing Clayoquot Action



Twenty years after the mass protests of Clayoquot Summer 1993, it's time to realize the dream. Clayoquot Action was founded in 2013 to protect these globally rare rainforests from threats posed by salmon farming, mining, and oil tankers. Clayoquot Action founders Dan Lewis and Bonny Glambeck have been campaigning and paddling in Tofino for a quarter century and know the Sound intimately. They work with a team of talented volunteers.

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Education

Clayoquot Summer 20 Years After is a multi-media presentation which provides an insider's perspective on the blockades of 1993. This stunning visual celebration of the wild beauty of Clayoquot Sound was presented weekly in Tofino, July through September. The show will be on tour throughout November, including a presentation at the Vancouver International Mountain Film Fest.



In the News

In 2013 we brought attention to new threats facing Clayoquot Sound, such as mining and fish farming. Clayoquot Action was featured in the Globe & Mail by Mark Hume, several kayaking and outdoor journals, and many radio, TV and film interviews.

MOVIN' IN! || We now have an office in Tofino! The space is perfect—big enough for a couple of workstations and all the gear we need for slide shows, tabling at public events, and field work.



Projects

Clayoquot Action is in the field this fall, sampling Clayoquot's wild salmon for European viruses. Citizen science is a powerful tool to support community advocacy. Besides, it's a lot of fun to visit the wild rivers of Clayoquot Sound!



Star volunteer Emily at 'Queen of the Peak' surf comp!

Events

APRIL || Clayoquot Action hosted Alexandra Morton and filmmaker Twyla Roscovich for a sold-out screening of Salmon Confidential.

MAY || Together with the Wilderness Committee we organized a rally at the Imperial Metals AGM in Vancouver.

SUMMER || Tabling at the Tofino Public Market through the summer was great fun—meeting and informing locals and visitors alike about current campaigns.

OCTOBER || Clayoquot Action organized on-the-ground logistics for the Tofino visit of Greenpeace's Rainbow Warrior. One hundred people braved a storm to rally for wild salmon!

What's Next

Presentations, Workshops & Trainings

Next year Clayoquot Action will continue our educational presentations. In addition we will begin offering community activist workshops and peaceful direct action trainings. We'll also host a series of speakers and panels to catalyze discussions in the region about the future of mining in Clayoquot Sound.

Supporting the Tla-o-qui-aht Moratorium

Imperial Metals was recently granted a permit to explore for gold in the Tranquil Tribal Park. Tla-o-qui-aht First Nations are calling for a moratorium on mining activities in their territory. Clayoquot Action will be working closely with Tla-o-qui-aht to develop a community response.

“The last time Dan Lewis and Bonny Glambeck teamed up on a big project, it shook the world. Now the environmental activists who, in 1993, helped organize one of the largest acts of civil disobedience in Canadian history—the mass protests against logging in Clayoquot Sound—are back with another project.”

—Mark Hume, *The Globe & Mail*