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**SALLY KAPLAN**

**DIRECTOR, PRODUCER, WRITER**

Sally Kaplan has worked in the film and television industry for more than 20 years. Ms. Kaplan joined Backcountry Pictures in 2005 where she currently writes, produces and directs film and TV projects and manages marketing and client relations. Her current project, [\*California Forever\*](#), which she co-produced, is a two-part PBS television special that tells the story of California's magnificent state parks – 1864 to the present day. *California Forever* is scheduled to air in Fall 2012 on KQED, San Francisco's PBS affiliate.

Ms. Kaplan produced the Backcountry Pictures signature film for Grand Teton National Park, *Video Rivers*, in 2007. In 2006, she co-produced the award-winning documentary, *Discover Hetch Hetchy*, hosted and narrated by Harrison Ford. The film served as the centerpiece for the Environmental Defense Fund campaign to restore the Hetch Hetchy Valley in Yosemite National Park.

From 2002 to 2007, Ms. Kaplan produced and wrote as a freelancer for numerous television programs and series for Lifetime, Discovery Channel, Animal Planet, The Food Network, Travel Channel and the History Channel.

From 2000-2001, Ms. Kaplan produced and wrote the television series, *Wild Survival*, for the Outdoor Life Network, which took her to extreme locations throughout the U.S. to recreate near-death experiences encountered in the backcountry.

Ms. Kaplan's pilot sitcom, *Knock Yourself Out* (1999), was a finalist at the American Accolades Screenplay Writing contest. Her screenplay, *Crossroads* (1997), was selected and produced at



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the American Film Institute's prestigious Directing Workshop for Women. Her screenplay, *The Man On The Plane* (1997), was a finalist at both the American Film Institute's Directing Workshop for Women and the Aperture Foundation. She also assisted in the production of several prize-winning social-issue documentary films for public television in association with artist/filmmaker Julie Gustafson. Her 1995 award-winning short film, *Dybbuks And Chicken Soup*, screened in numerous film festivals throughout the U.S. Ms. Kaplan has been a recipient of a fellowship for film and video from the Colorado Council on the Arts.

For more information and/or to view trailer, visit: [www.cal4ever.com](http://www.cal4ever.com) or [www.backcountrypictures.com](http://www.backcountrypictures.com).