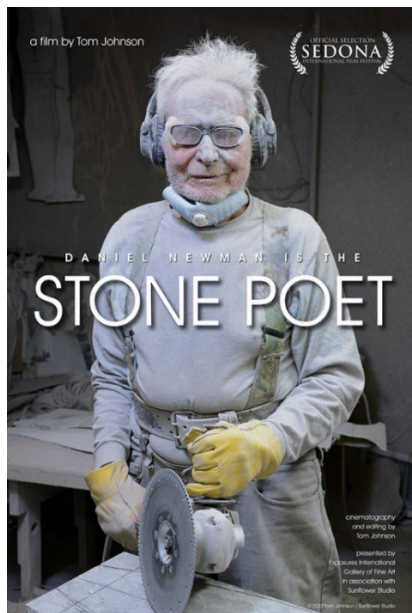




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MEDIA INFORMATION

STONE POET ~ a documentary short film by Tom Johnson

Sculpting poetry and emotion in stone, Daniel Newman creates compositions of ethereal beauty and romance. Beginning with a 900-pound block of Portoro Marble — he carves, grinds, chisels, hammers, and polishes a work of love. In another life Daniel was a rocket scientist — but now, surrounded by the red rocks of Sedona, in a studio that only a stone sculptor can embrace, his worn and leathered hands gently caress the block into a strong and elegant living existence that both he and the stone agree on. His creative process is truly astonishing. At 90 years old, Daniel Newman is the Stone Poet.

Stone Poet is a creative collaboration of two artists — Daniel Newman, the stone sculptor, and Tom Johnson, the filmmaker. Both creators have a passion for their art and this was a chance to show an amazing artistic process. This film is presented by Exposures International Gallery of Fine Art in association with Sunflower Studio.

Cinematography and editing by Tom Johnson. Tom is a photographer and filmmaker based in Sedona, Arizona. For more than 45 years Tom has owned and operated photography, filmmaking, publishing, and design businesses. In 2020 Tom was the cinematographer for the short film “Marble Canyon” which was written, directed, produced, and acted by his son Jule Johnson. “Marble Canyon” was an official selection for the 2021 Sedona International Film Festival and was an award winner in the 2020 Indie Short Fest in Los Angeles.

Film length: 17:48

Stone Poet will premiere at a special event as an official selection of the 2023 Sedona International Film Festival on April 25, 2023. Stone Poet is also an official selection of the 2023 Kanab Film Fest.

Exposures International Gallery of Fine Art is an award-winning art gallery in Sedona, Arizona. Sunflower Studio is a photography, filmmaking and design studio in Sedona, Arizona.

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