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South Vancouver Island Mycological Society

Meeting and Presentation

When: Thursday, Oct 4, 2018, 7:00 pm

Where: Pacific Forestry Centre
506 West Burnside Road
Saanich, BC

What: Talk on "Best of Mushroaming"

This presentation features stunning mushroom images and stories from ten years of "Mushroaming," a term coined by Daniel for his mushroom-themed eco-adventures that explore the fungi of exotic destinations. Whether traveling in rugged High Asia (Tibet and Bhutan), his native Alps, tropical South America (Bolivia, Ecuador, Colombia, and Suriname), or wild North America, Daniel is always on the lookout for choice edibles, potent medicinals, and all kinds of bizarre and colourful fungi. His favorite haunts are rain forests—tropical or temperate—and alpine environments. His favorite fungi (besides tasty edibles) are strange Cordyceps, a genus of mushrooms that, twenty years ago in Tibet, first triggered Daniel's curiosity about medicinal mushrooms.



Who: Daniel Winkler

Daniel, the vice-president of Puget Sound Mycological Society, is the author of *A Field Guide to Edible Mushrooms of the Pacific Northwest* and *A Field Guide to Edible Mushrooms of California* (Harbour Publishing, 2011 and 2012), *Amazon Mushrooms* (2014), and, with Robert Rogers, the new *A Field guide to Medicinal Mushrooms of North America*. Daniel grew up collecting and eating wild mushrooms in the Alps and has been foraging for over twenty years, sharing his enthusiasm as a mushroom educator and guide in the Pacific Northwest and beyond. His presentations combine stunning photography, entertaining and funny stories, and scientific information. Daniel has managed to blend a career as an ecologist/geographer focused on High Asia with researching mushrooms and rural income in Tibet. His Cordyceps research has been featured in *The Economist*, *National Geographic*, the *New York Times*, the *Wall Street Journal*, and the BBC. In the last decade, he has also turned his attention to neotropical fungi. Daniel organizes mushroom-focused eco-tours to Tibet, Bhutan, the Amazon, Colombia, the Alps, and the Pacific Northwest (see his site www.mushroaming.com for further information).