

## *The Face of The Proposed Maine Woods National Park*



Grammy Lifetime Achievement Award-Winning folk singer **Pete Seeger** states, *“Hooray for the good people of Maine, who are pushing for a Maine Woods National Park, and will save these priceless lakes and streams from commercial exploitation.”* Inspiration from iconic figures such as Pete Seeger epitomize the American spirit and reinforce the importance and urgency with protecting our country’s landscape and wildlife by rallying people to create the proposed Maine Woods National Park.

This visually rich, multi-media presentation, featuring the music of Pete Seeger takes you on a journey to one of the last, great, unprotected wilderness areas within the United States, Maine’s Great North Woods. This forest, that Henry David Thoreau explored 150 years ago, encompasses an area larger than Yellowstone and Yosemite National Parks combined, and is deserving of becoming America’s next great national park, The Maine Woods National Park. This fragile ecosystem is home to myriad species including moose, bear, and migratory songbirds, along with several endangered and threatened species, including Canada lynx, and Atlantic salmon, among others.

Since 2007 the award-winning photography team of Thomas Mark Szelog and Lee Ann Szelog have logged over 25,000 miles putting a face to the land that is the proposed 3.2 million acre Maine Woods National Park. Through their *Maine Woods National Park Photo-Documentation Project* they provide inspiration, education, and motivation, through photographs and words, to encourage society, nationwide, to work together in the spirit of cooperation to create the Maine Woods National Park for the benefit of nature, wildlife, our planet and all mankind. They will personally guide you into the proposed park in this presentation and allow you to experience this astounding ecosystem, and learn more about the proposed Maine Woods National Park and the benefits it will impart. You will be inspired to embrace sustainability through foresight and discipline and take responsibility to make the necessary changes to ensure all species, human and wild, continue to have earth to call home. This presentation and the *Project* embody the heart of sustainability, vision and leadership, awakening peoples’ environmental conscience to think and act with determination for our benefit and that of our earth and America, the beautiful.

### What audiences say about the Lee Ann Szelog:

*“Your presentation was moving, thoughtful, and left me wanting more; I have never listened to a presentation, and felt such emotions from one end of the spectrum to the other.”* Diane Marion

*“This presentation provides a refreshing change of pace in the realm of sustainability programs, emotionally stirring audiences and inspiring them to think and act in a manner that benefits our earth.”*

Laurie Bouchard



*“Progress is not always about building the newest, most high-tech building, equipment, or device. Sometimes progress means having the courage and acumen to preserve those things that don’t need improved, such as nature, wildlife and earth itself. Protection of this masterpiece we call earth begins with awareness and each one of us taking an active and brave role in its protection 365 days per year.”*

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