

**Environmental Studies and the Office of Sustainability present  
CofC's fall, 2012 Environmental Film Series:**

(Movie #3)

# IF A TREE FALLS: A STORY OF THE EARTH LIBERATION FRONT



**Monday, October 29th  
5:30 to 7:30pm**

***RSS 235 (in the old library, across from Maybank Hall)***

Free movie, followed by an open discussion:

***IF A TREE FALLS: A STORY OF THE EARTH LIBERATION FRONT***

tells the remarkable story of the rise and fall of an ELF cell, by focusing on the transformation and radicalization of one of its members. Part coming-of-age tale, part cops-and-robbers thriller, the film interweaves a chronicle of an ELF member on house arrest as he faces life in prison, with a dramatic recounting of the events that led to his involvement with the group. And along the way it asks hard questions about environmentalism, activism, and the way we define terrorism. Drawing from striking archival footage -- much of it never before seen -- and intimate interviews with ELF members, and with the prosecutor and detective who were chasing them, IF A TREE FALLS explores the tumultuous period from 1995 until early 2001 when environmentalists were clashing with timber companies and law enforcement, and the word "terrorism" had not yet been altered by 9/11.



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