



## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Parks Board

**FROM:** The Austin Nature Center

**DATE:** May 17, 1991

**SUBJECT:** Special lecture and slide presentation on "The Amazon--the River Sea"

The Austin Nature Center with the Parks and Recreation Department would like to invite you to a special lecture and slide presentation on "The Amazon--the River Sea" by well-known author and photographer, Loren McIntyre on Tuesday, May 21st, 7:00 pm. Attached is a Public Service Announcement for more information.



**AUSTIN NATURE CENTER**  
For Immediate Release  
Contact: Information Desk 327-8181

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**Who:** The Austin Nature Center of the Parks and Recreation Department

**What:** Special lecture and slide presentation on "The Amazon -- the River Sea", for adults

**When:** Tuesday, May 21, 1991 from 7:00-8:00pm

**Where:** The Austin Nature Center, 301 Nature Center Drive

**Other:** Additional lectures will be held at the LBJ High School Science Academy on Wednesday, May 22 from 2:00-3:00pm and from 3:00-4:00pm, 7309 Lazy Creek, 928-0380

The Austin Nature Center invites you to a special lecture and slide presentation on "The Amazon -- the River Sea" by well-known author and photographer, Loren McIntyre. Mr. McIntyre has written many articles for National Geographic, as well as several books on South America.

The lecture at the Austin Nature Center will be held on Tuesday May 21, from 7:00-8:00pm. Additional lectures will be held Wednesday, May 22, at the LBJ High School Science Academy from 2:00-3:00pm and from 3:00-4:00pm. The presentation will include pristine views of the Amazon River and tropical areas of South America, as well as the many Indian tribes that inhabit the region.

Due to limited space, please call 327-8181 to make reservations.

Mr. McIntyre spent a quarter of a century residing and traveling in South America. One of his quests with the National Geographic Society led him to discover the most distant source of the Amazon in 1971. His name now appears on the National Geographic map of South America.

This lecture was made possible by a grant from the Institute of Museum Services.

Austin Parks and Recreation Department  
City of Austin



## About Loren McIntyre, author/photographer

Widely recognized as a writer/photographer of remote geographical regions, Loren McIntyre speaks Spanish and Portuguese and has accumulated a quarter century of residence and travel in South America since he first went there in 1935. One of his quests led him to discover the most distant source of the Amazon in 1971. His name appears on the National Geographic map of the continent.

On more than two dozen assignments for the National Geographic Society he has produced magazine articles on Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru and topics specific to the Amazon region. For the Society, he wrote and illustrated *The Incredible Incas* (1975, now in its sixth printing) and contributed chapters and photographs to many other Geographic books, including *Into The Unknown*, *The Desert Realm*, *Nature's World of Wonders*, *Lost Empires and Living Tribes*, *Nomads of the World*, *Exploring Your World* and *The Emerald Realm*.

Mc Intyre has written and illustrated two other large format books *Die amerikanische Reise -Auf den Spuren Alexander v. Humbolds*, Geo in Verlag , and *Exploring South America* (1990 Clarkson N. Potter, Inc), He has contributed pictures--and occasionally text- to more than 400 other books and magazines in 14 languages.

He first visited Colombia, Brazil Argentina and the Amazon on a merchant marine voyage in 1935 and received a degree in Latin America culture from the University of California at Berkeley in 1941. Following active duty with the U.S.. Navy in the Pacific during World War II. Mc Intyre served as an advisor to the Peruvian Navy, eventually retiring as a captain. In the early 1950s he studied ethnology at the University of San Marcos in Lima and co-founded a motion picture production company in Peru.

Later McIntyre served six years with the U.S. foreign aid program in Bolivia. He went on to produce films for the U.S. government and other entities for the next two decades He still continues to roam South America as a free lance writer-photographer, having completed his latest field work for the Geographic- a survey of Brazil-in March, 1990.