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ATTENBOROUGH BRINGS COLOUR TO AMAZING LIFE IN NEW SERIES

A GROUNDBREAKING AUSTRALIA-UK CO-PRODUCTION

Sir David Attenborough is returning to television with a landmark new series on Nine exploring the way colour is intimately connected to almost every story nature has to tell.

Life in Colour presented by David Attenborough is a co-production between Australia and the United Kingdom that will go to air on Nine early in 2021 as part of a co-ordinated worldwide premiere.

Colour makes our world a beautiful place to live in, but there is so much more to it than beauty. As Sir David, the world's most famous wildlife film maker, will illustrate, colour is the amazing way animals both communicate and collaborate – it's even their language of life and death.

Production on the series has commenced, and Australian filming locations include Adelaide River (NT); Sydney and Thredbo (NSW); and around Lizard Island and the Channel Country (QLD).

Patrick Holland, Controller, BBC TWO, said: "Any series authored by Sir David is very special and this promises to be exceptional. I am looking forward to seeing the combination of innovative photography and rich analysis to explore the role colour plays in animals' lives."

Head of Documentary at Screen Australia, Bernadine Lim, said: "This is a prestigious opportunity for local production company SeaLight Pictures to work on a large-scale



co-production with global reach. The series will leave an enduring legacy for our national identity through innovation and scientific insights as it presents a new way of seeing and understanding Australia's unique fauna."

The key creative team includes Colette Beaudry (*Shark Exile; Can We Save the Reef?*), Sharmila Choudhury (*Attenborough's Natural Curiosities*), Stephen Dunleavy (*Tasmania: Weird and Wonderful*), Adam Geiger (*Can We Save The Reef?*), Nick Green (*Seven Worlds, One Planet*) and Sally Thomas (*Attenborough and the Sea Dragon*). Colette Beaudry and Stephen Dunleavy are on board as executive producers.

Life in Colour presented by David Attenborough is an Australia-UK Official Co-production between SeaLight Pictures and Humble Bee Films for Netflix, the BBC, the Nine Network and Stan, with principal production investment from Screen Australia, in association with Screen NSW. Flame Distribution will manage international sales.

The series will be available globally for Netflix members outside the UK, Ireland and Australia.

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About Screen Australia

Screen Australia is the Australian Federal Government agency charged with supporting Australian screen content through development, production and promotion across television, film, documentary and digital originals. The agency administers Australia's official co-production program, in addition to the Producer Offset tax rebate which assists eligible television, film and online works to be made. Screen Australia provides a range of resources and opportunities to the industry including access to research, market intelligence and special initiatives. For more information visit screenaustralia.gov.au

About Screen NSW

Screen NSW operates as part of the New South Wales (NSW) State Government's Sydney-based arts, screen and culture agency, Create NSW. The agency offers a range of development and production support programs for film and television projects; incentives to attract footloose production and post-production to NSW; and offers location and production liaison services to eligible productions considering locating in the State. For more information, visit www.create.nsw.gov.au

About SeaLight Pictures



SeaLight Pictures is an international award-winning production company based in Sydney, Australia. Clients include PBS, ABC, Netflix, BBC, National Geographic, Discovery, ARTE, SBS, Nine, SVT and CCTV10. Directors Adam Geiger and Colette Beaudry combine degrees in marine and environmental science, writing, and film, with decades of natural history experience above and underwater.

About Humble Bee Films

Humble Bee Films is an independent production company based in Bristol, UK. It makes programmes for a range of broadcasters in the UK and internationally. Established in 2009 by former BBC producer Stephen Dunleavy, Humble Bee produces factual television focusing on nature, science and history, and has worked with David Attenborough on a number of series and specials.

About Netflix

Netflix is the world's leading internet entertainment service with over 151 million paid memberships in over 190 countries enjoying TV series, documentaries and feature films across a wide variety of genres and languages. Members can watch as much as they want, anytime, anywhere, on any internet-connected screen. Members can play, pause and resume watching, all without adverts or commitments.

