



Donna Matrazzo
The Writing Works

19300 NW Sauvie Island Rd.
Portland, OR 97231
(503) 621-3049
matrazzo@msn.com

**Ice Harbor Lock and Dam
Formations Exhibit Design
Odyssey Productions, Inc.**

THE INCREDIBLE JOURNEY

Final Script

THE INCREDIBLE JOURNEY

FADE IN:

1. A side view of a waterfall with salmon leaping; a great leap; a fish in froth leaps, then is beat back, followed by another great leap; that fish really struggles; two more leap at once.

NARRATOR: (voiceover)

IT'S AN INCREDIBLE

JOURNEY,

THE LIFE OF AN

ANADROMOUS

FISH.

FOR SALMON ...

2. A close shot of the rocky bottom of a stream; fish are swimming, moving fast.

... THE JOURNEY BEGINS

AND ENDS

IN A GRAVEL STREAMBED.

3. Closeup of fish in a stream, wriggling among rocks.

HERE, THE SPAWNING

FEMALE CREATES A NEST ...

4. A closeup of half a dozen or so eggs amid orange rocks.

... WHERE SHE LAYS

ABOUT 5,000 EGGS.

5. A wide shot underwater with a rocky bottom.

MALES FERTILIZE THE EGGS

WITH MILT.

6. A hatchery worker removes a loaf-like pan with salmon eggs.

IN HATCHERIES,

SPAWNING IS ARTIFICIALLY

ACHIEVED.

7. A closeup of an egg in a stream with a tiny fish emerging from it, twirling the egg and swimming off.

YOUNG HATCH

FROM THEIR EGGS

8. Young fish swimming underwater near a rocky bottom.

... AND GROW

INTO FINGERLINGS.

9. A closeup of ice dripping from a ledge above flowing water.

WITHIN A FEW MONTHS TO

THREE YEARS, DEPENDING

ON THE SPECIES ...

SPRING SNOWMELT ...

10. Very green water, some froth, cascading through a forest.

... TRIGGERS THE SALMON'S

MIGRATION DOWNSTREAM.

11. A beautiful shot of lots of these silver fish; a sandy bottom, bluish water on top.

NOW CALLED SMOLTS,

THEIR BODIES GRADUALLY
ADAPT TO SALT WATER AS
THEY NEAR THE OCEAN.

12. Boulders in foreground; ocean waves crashing behind.

IN THE PACIFIC DEPTHS,
THE SALMON SPEND ONE TO
FOUR YEARS ...
AND GROW INTO ADULTS ...

13. A wide shot of coastal headlands and sunlit waves at dusk.

.. FEEDING ON FISH, SHRIMP,

14. A close shot of fish swimming underwater toward the camera.

... AND OTHER OCEAN
CREATURES.

15. An extreme closeup, greenish water, lots of fish swimming toward the camera.

WHEN THEY'RE READY,
INSTINCT TELLS THEM WHEN
IT'S TIME TO RETURN TO
SPAWN.

16. A salmon swimming just under the surface of the water.

THEIR ACUTE
NAVIGATIONAL SKILLS,

BELIEVED TO BE BASED ON
CHEMICAL CUES
IN THE WATER ...

17. A wide aerial shot of the river flowing through desert lands.

... GUIDE THEM HUNDREDS
OF MILES UPRIVER ...

18. A shallow, meandering stream with lots of gravel.

... TO THE EXACT STREAM
OR HATCHERY WHERE THEY
WERE REARED.

This is page 5 of 37 pages

To see the complete script, contact me at matrazzo@msn.com
