

## Jon Bowermaster

Jon Bowermaster is a writer, filmmaker, adventurer and six-time grantee of the National Geographic Expeditions Council. One of the Society's "Ocean Heroes," his first assignment for *National Geographic Magazine* was documenting a 3,741-mile crossing of Antarctica by dogsled.

Jon has written a dozen books and produced/directed more than 20 documentary films. His *Oceans 8* project took him and his teams around the world by sea kayak between 1999- 2008, bringing back stories from the Aleutian Islands to French Polynesia, Gabon to Tasmania, and more, and reporting on how the planet's one ocean and its various coastlines are faring in today's busy world. He has adventured to Antarctica more than two dozen times by dogsled. Since then he's been back to the southernmost continent more than two dozen times.

Jon lives in New York's Hudson Valley. He is President of Oceans 8 Films and One Ocean Media Foundation, Chairman of the Advisory Board of Adventurers and Scientists for Conservation, and a Board Member of Mark Ruffalo's Water Defense.