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Critic's Notebook: Whatever Sundance is, it has fine documentaries

There are many ways to look at this year's Sundance Film Festival, but one reliable trend is great true stories told on screen. Here are some to watch.

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Several of this year's top Sundance docs connect to narrative dramas already in theaters. "Manhunt" puts on camera some of the determined but often ignored women whose work as CIA analysts inspired "Zero Dark Thirty," and the gripping and revelatory "Blackfish" uncovers the reasons behind orca attacks like the one in the Marion Cotillard drama "Rust and Bone."

Saved for last are some of my personal favorites:



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Alex Gibney's thoughtful, incisive "We Steal Secrets: The Story of WikiLeaks."

"The Crash Reel." Lucy Walker's startling examination of the unexpected journey top snowboarder Kevin Pearce took after a near-fatal accident.

"Life According to Sam." A heart-crushing yet heartening film about progeria, an extremely rare disease that so accelerates aging in children that 10-year-olds look like they're 100.

"Linsanity." The uber-inspirational tale of the pro basketball frenzy surrounding Asian American point guard Jeremy Lin.

"The Summit." A totally gripping tale of a doomed 2008 expedition to K2, the second highest peak in the world, in which 11 people died. Compulsively watchable.

"Twenty Feet From Stardom." Morgan Neville's irresistible look at rock 'n' roll's premier backup singers features joyous powerhouse vocals as well as the kind of sad stories they write songs about.

"Which Way Is the Front Line From Here?" Sebastian Junger's from-the-heart tribute to his "Restrepo" collaborator and close friend, the late Tim Hetherington, a photographer who spent his professional life in war zones but made the warmest of human connections everywhere he went.

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