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WINTER WONDERLAND
 What a beautiful day for a beautiful and special event honoring the animals of CWWC and around the world.



I would like to thank my staff for a great 2019!

Looking forward to a fantastic 2020!

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Lorianne and Rylee

Wishing You and Your Family a Happy and Safe Holiday Season!

From all of Us at the Colorado Wolf & Wildlife Center



Rhett makes his way across the Skyfox freeway for the 1st time.



This Wolf-Covered, Airbrushed Denim Jacket Has Everything— Including Chadwick Boseman and Nic Cage’s Endorsement

It’s by Amiri, and it’s fantastic.

BY JONATHAN EVANS | NOV 19, 2019 | Esquire

This is a love story. It involves both Nicolas Cage and Chadwick Boseman, a pairing as unlikely as it is electric. They are, both of them, enamored. But not of each other. Their affections are directed at, of all things, a jacket. Madness? I think not! This jacket is denim, but it is also shearling! It is covered with wolves, but not just any old wolves: airbrushed wolves! It is a triumph of form and function, courtesy of L.A.-based brand Amiri.

And here’s the twist: Now I’m in love, too. The triangle has become a quadrangle. Oh, what a twisted web. Let’s go back to the beginning, to try to untangle and square those angles.

SEPTEMBER 16, 2019

Nicolas Cage attends the premiere of **Running With the Devil** in Beverly Hills, California. He wears the Wolf Jacket. He also, somewhat inexplicably, wears a cowboy hat. The effect is jarring.

That is f#*king fantastic, I whisper to myself. And then, Wait, I know that jacket. I spend a lot of time looking at clothes. Some fade from memory, but Amiri’s printed denim-and-shearling jacket had stuck in my mind since I first saw it while browsing through the (digital) racks at Mr Porter. Probably because it features a bunch of snarling wolves on it, and that is just plain awesome. I would like to reiterate, just because I feel it’s important, that this is a jacket covered in wolves. I also reiterate this to help explain the next step in my journey.

SEPTEMBER 17, 2019 - NOVEMBER 18, 2019

I think about the Wolf Jacket. Not all the time. But often. I yearn. Quietly.

NOVEMBER 19, 2019

Chadwick Boseman is seen outside the **Today** show in New York City. He wears the Wolf Jacket, despite famously being a panther-based superhero. Unlike Nic Cage, he does not wear a cowboy hat. But he does wear a black-and-blue plaid shirt and a pair of Oliver Peoples sunglasses. He looks great, and, compared to Nic Cage, the overall effect is less jarring. (I suspect this to be true of anyone or anything compared to Nic Cage.)

And now, here I am. The Wolf Jacket is rekindled in my psyche. I yearn, once again. The Wolf Jacket—the concept, the beloved, the object of affection—is singular. Cage, Boseman, me: All three of us love the same thing. But there is more than one wolf jacket—the garment, the item, the reality—in this world. And that means, eventually, all three loves can be required. The web untangles. The quadrangle becomes a square. I want that f#*king wolf jacket.



Printed Trucker Jacket
by Amiri
mrporter.com \$1,690.00



Nicolas Cage and Chadwick Boseman
in their Wolf Jackets



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Dusty with Chipmunk



Wolf Reintroduction Is One Step Closer to Becoming a Reality

The Rocky Mountain Wolf Action Fund submitted more than 200,000 signatures to the Colorado Secretary of State's office in favor of reintroducing gray wolves. If enough are validated, the petition will become a 2020 ballot initiative.

BY VICTORIA CARODINE | DECEMBER 10, 2019 | 5280.com
DENVER'S MILE HIGH MAGAZINE



Colorado might be getting a little more populated in 2023.

On Tuesday morning, the Rocky Mountain Wolf Action Fund (RMWAF) handed over 211,093 signatures to the Colorado's Secretary of State's office in support of a petition to reintroduce gray wolves in Colorado. The signatures, which have been collected across the state since June, will take 30 calendar days to be validated by Secretary of State Jena Griswold's office. If enough are validated (124,632 are required), the petition will become an initiative on the 2020 statewide ballot.

The Rocky Mountain Wolf Project and the Rocky Mountain Wolf Action Fund started gathering signatures this past summer with the help of nonprofits like Defenders of Wildlife, the Wild Foundation, and the Endangered Species Coalition, in the hopes of adding wolves back into Colorado's natural landscape.

"Delivering these signatures is the first step toward restoring an interconnected population of wolves that stretches from the high Arctic southward to the Mexican border, bringing back a true American species," Joanna Lambert, a professor of environmental studies at the University of Boulder and a member of the Rocky Mountain Wolf Project, said at a press conference.

The Rocky Mountain Wolf Project works to educate the public about wolf ecology and behavior in the hopes of

restoring wolf populations back in Colorado. "Gray wolves have been roaming the wild lands of North America for almost a million years. Yet, sometime early in the 1940s, Colorado's last wolf howled its very last howl," Lambert said. "Our best peer-reviewed science tells us that native species like wolves are essential to the delicate balance of species, species interactions, and ecosystem health."

The Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, the Colorado Farm Bureau, the Colorado's Cattlemen Association, and the Colorado Wool Growers' Association all openly oppose the initiative making the 2020 ballot. Many organizations have joined the Stop the Wolf Coalition which is made up of sportsmen, farmers and ranches, and individuals who are concerned about wolf reintroduction in Colorado.

The signatures, which were originally due by December 13, are expected to be validated by the Secretary of State's office by January 9. If enough are

verified, the petition will be the first time in U.S. history that a restoration initiative of an endangered species will be decided by voters. If Coloradans vote in favor of reintroducing wolves, Colorado Parks and Wildlife would take over implementation and management. And by 2023, Colorado could be home to 20-30 gray wolves.



More than 200,000 signatures were submitted in support of restoring gray wolves in Colorado.

A letter from Rob Edwards - the president of the RMWAF

Now that the dust has settled, I wanted to say thanks to all of you for your collective toil these past many months (nay, years). Together, we've set the stage for a genuinely visionary conservation venture. A ton of work (and fundraising) sprawls out before us for the next 11 months, but we have already got the nation talking.

Thanks to Gail Bell and Darlene Kobobel for stepping up to sponsor Initiative 107. The multiple trips to the Secretary of State's office were probably less than fun!

I want to send a big shout out to Marije terEllen and her state-wide squad of volunteers for sacrifices beyond measure to get the job done. Likewise, to Darlene and her steadfast volunteers at the Colorado Wolf & Wildlife Center, along with our fantastic partners at the Cheyenne Mountain Zoo. You have done us all proud this past six months.

Thanks also to our NGO partners of all sizes and stripes, especially the Defenders crew, the Colorado Chapter of the Sierra Club, Michael and the folks at the Center for Biological Diversity and the NRDC Action Fund. You gave us wings when we needed them most.

Much gratitude as well to our partners at RBI Strategies, Boulder Strategies, Landslide Political, Bobby Clark, Eric Washburn, and Mark Grueskin for keeping us heading in the right direction. I'm likewise grateful to Jim Pribyl for his guidance.

Finally, it's been humbling watching Mike Phillips work over the past four years, especially this year. The Energizer Bunny has nothing on that man!

If I've left any individual or organization out, please know the omission was not intentional. You all have rocked it hard.

Onward!

*Kind regards,
Rob Edward*

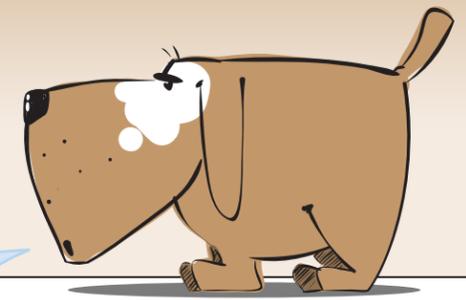
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Angel

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