

Winning filmmaker's body of work – and water



PICTURE: PETE OSWALD

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▲ ICELAND'S spectacular Dettifoss waterfall is Queenstown filmmaker Pete Oswald's (right) stand-out scene in his prize-winning movie.

"It's the most powerful waterfall in Europe by volume of water – and we just stumbled upon it," Oswald says.

"Iceland was right up there in terms of experiences – every vista is just epic," the 28-year-old says.

Oswald's *Tree Wells* took out last Saturday's inaugural Through The Lens winter movie-making competition in Queenstown.



The local filmmaker won \$200, a \$250 bar tab and product prizes for the fast-paced flick chronicling his 14-week free-skiing

odyssey through Canada, the US, Iceland, the UK, Romania and Spain.

Oswald didn't know the

competition was on until four days prior – he spent about 40 hours on his computer editing the film.

"I got it finished two hours before the competition started," he chuckles.

Oswald's girlfriend Sophie Stevens and his brother Will took part – and are pictured above Dettifoss waterfall.