

Expedition Leader: Eric Larsen

Age: 36

Grand Marais, MN USA

Modern-day explorer, Eric Larsen's life epitomizes adventure. A polar explorer, dog musher, adventure racer and educator, he has spent the past 12 years of his life adventuring in some of the most remote and wild places left on earth. Totaled, Eric has traveled enough wilderness miles to circle the globe nearly two and half times.

Eric has recently returned from a history-making expedition, the One World Expedition. On this first ever summer journey to the North Pole, Eric and expedition partner, Lonnie Dupre pulled and paddled specially modified canoes over 600 miles of shifting sea ice and open ocean. Eric's other expeditions include a 700-mile dog sled journey through northern Ontario, a six-week dog sled journey in the barren lands of the Canadian Arctic, several training trips to Hudson Bay and countless dog sled races. He has also ridden his bike across the United States, been a back country ranger in Alaska, a white water canoe guide in Colorado and wilderness trip leader in Hawaii.

A gifted communicator as well, Eric travels the country giving motivational and educational lectures to K-12 schools, universities, non-profit organizations and corporate groups. Several documentaries have also been created around expeditions that Eric has been involved with.

Eric lives in Grand Marais, Minnesota where he is busy planning and training for the Save the Poles Expedition an unprecedented adventure to Mt. Everest, the North Pole and South Pole in one year.