

Albertan who has no arms or legs scuba dives with sharks for reality TV show

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WATCH ABOVE: It's something only a few are brave enough to do. One local man has done it despite severe disabilities. Su-Ling Goh reports.

EDMONTON- Swimming with sharks will provide even the most fearless risk-takers with a rush, but one Alberta daredevil is upping the ante – doing just that but without any arms or legs.

Daniel Ennett, 22, hosts a reality TV show called *Invincible* in which he goes on various heart-stopping adventures like skydiving.

The University of Alberta psychology student had his limbs amputated as a child after contracting meningitis.

“We’ve gotten to understand that he’s (Ennett) really comfortable pushing the limit,” Kurt Spenrath, a producer and director with Open Sky Pictures said. “So we came up with something that was a first – that was a little bit insane.”

In season three of *Invincible*, Ennett, the world’s first quadruple amputee to be open water certified, goes scuba diving with sharks off the coast of Florida.

“We originally planned for me to be in a cage, but the cage was very rickety and useless,” Ennett said. “So we just ended up foregoing that.”

Spencer said on the last day of diving, Ennett encountered a particularly adrenaline-inducing shark- a Hammerhead.

“We were kind of finishing up for the day, when all of a sudden, the third most dangerous meat-eating shark in the world swims up and circles around Danny for seven minutes,” Spenrath said.

“It was pure excitement to see the shark. Not fear or anything,” Ennett said.

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Spencer said the award-winning show began as a show about a “cool, disabled guy” but is now just about a “cool guy.”

Invincible can be seen on Telus Optik TV or YouTube.

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