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# The Friends of the Alaska State Museum

## The Important Role of the Friends

In spite of flat funding from the legislature in 2004, the Museum continued to provide the public with quality exhibits and programs that celebrate one of the most basic and universal human activities – the making of art. From exquisite Tlingit regalia in the permanent collection to temporary exhibits such as Kat Tomka's tape installation, the Museum deepens our understanding of Alaska cultural and natural history, and broadens our aesthetic experience.

The Friends of the Alaska State Museum (FASM) support the efforts of the State Museum, and often makes up the difference. Docents provide interpretive services, board members sponsor receptions and advocacy activities, and FASM operates the Museum Store. The store is an important source of educational materials and artistic expressions that celebrate the culture and history of Alaska. The revenues from the store, as well as your important membership fees and contributions, fund new exhibits and publications, acquisitions, special events, and scholarships.

2004 was a productive year for the FASM. Under the management of Suzanne Nedrow, the Museum Store surpassed our gross sales goal. Last year, we provided the Museum Trust with \$34,000. Once again, the FASM assisted the museum by securing funding for children's programs. Over 150 children attended *Exploring the Arts* programs in 2004. The Friends also assisted in obtaining a grant from the Rasmuson Foundation for \$80,000 to obtain contemporary Alaska art.

The Board of the Friends thanks each member, contributor, volunteer, and supporter. We hope you will continue your support as we begin a new year. The primary initiative for 2005 is to secure funds from the legislature to complete an architectural plan for the much needed expansion of the Alaska State Museum and Alaska State Library.

Benjamin Brown joined the Board of Directors in December. The FASM 2005 board officers are:

President – Renee Hughes  
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In 2004, we revised the newsletter. The primary focus of our mailings are to provide members with current news on events and exhibits. Extended news on activities, interviews with artists, and a new searchable collections database are always available on the Alaska State Museum and Friends' websites. Please visit Alaska State Museum at [www.museums.state.ak.us](http://www.museums.state.ak.us) and the FASM at [www.foasm.org](http://www.foasm.org).

Wishing you the best in 2005,  
Gail Smith

The Friends of the Alaska State Museum is a non-profit organization dedicated to the support of Alaska State Museum activities throughout Alaska.

E X H I B I T I O N S

*Matt Johnson Solo Exhibition*

December 3, 2004 – February 19, 2005

Photographer Matt Johnson of Anchorage creates multi-image photographs of ocean and other environments as a metaphor to explore “the sacred and spiritual quality of photography.”

*Susan Schapira Solo Exhibition*

December 3, 2004 – February 19, 2005

Anchorage artist Susan Schapira exhibits quilts inspired by the tribal and folk designs of Central Asia, the Middle East, Japan and Australia.

*Baby It's Cold Outside*

December 3, 2004 – April 16, 2005

This exhibition draws on images and objects from the museum's permanent collection that feature, ice, snow, glaciers and cold weather activities. Included are painting, photographs and a variety of outdoor gear (including a sealskin bathing suit).

*Rarefied Light 2004*

February 4 – April 16, 2005

This annual statewide juried exhibition, features 51 photographs by 35 Alaska photographers. Guest juror, Ryuijie, of Monterey, California, selected this year's exhibition. Organized by the Alaska Photographic Center, Anchorage.

E V E N T S

The Friends of the Alaska State Museum sponsor

**FIRST FRIDAY OPENINGS**

and receptions from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

**FEBRUARY 4** Opening of *Rarefied Light 2004* and reception

**MARCH 4** Opening reception of *Ocean Home* with lecture 6 – 7 p.m., Alan Parks, Guest Photographer

**APRIL 1** *Women Gone But Not Forgotten* lecture 7 – 9 p.m. Co-sponsored by Gastineau Historical Society.

Admission is free from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

*Docent Training*

Five Saturday mornings during April  
9:00 a.m. – 12 noon

Training for people wishing to volunteer in the museum and for returning docents. Curators and guest lecturers will provide information on the Museum's collections, Alaska History, and detailed stories about specific objects, as well as techniques of interpretive communication. Please call Mary Irvine at 465-2901 for information or to register for the workshops.

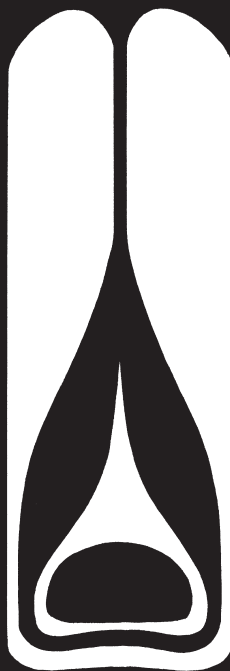
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WINTER HOURS:  
Tues. – Sat.  
10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
Closed Sunday &  
Monday  
\$3 Winter Admission

MUSEUM CLOSED:  
January 1, New Year's Day  
January 17, M. L. K. Day  
February 21, President's Day  
March 28, Seward's Day  
May 30, Memorial Day

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*Ocean Home*

March 4 – April 16, 2005

*Ocean Home* is a documentary arts project of the Alaska Marine Conservation Council that explores the values, thoughts and traditions of Alaskans whose lives are sustained by the sea.

*A Northern Adventure:*

*The Art of Fred Machetanz*

May 15, 2005 – September 24, 2005

Fred Machetanz is one of Alaska's most beloved artists. This retrospective exhibition chronicles his life's work and includes original paintings, preparation studies and illustrations. Organized by the Anchorage Museum of History and Art.

*Sharkabet*

May 15, 2005 – October 15, 2005

Ketchikan author and illustrator Ray Troll's exhibition depicts sharks from Angel Sharks to Zebra Sharks, including extinct species, as well as other members of the shark family. *Sharkabet* is the subject of a recently published children's book and the artworks are delightfully whimsical. This exhibition will appeal to all ages.

E V E N T S

*Juneau's Museum Day*

May 15 • 12 noon – 5 p.m.

Opening of summer exhibitions, *A Northern Adventure: The Art of Fred Machetanz* and *Sharkabet*. Walk-through of Fred Machetanz's exhibit with guest curator Kes Woodward. Walk-through of *Sharkabet* with artist Ray Troll.

**YOUTH ACTIVITIES**

*Printmaking workshops*

Saturdays, January 15, 22, & February 5

10 a.m. – 12 noon and 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.

Local artists instruct youth in the basic elements of design and color to create their own prints as well as learn and apply criteria to evaluate the art.

*Alaska Native Traditions*

Mid-March (dates to be announced)

*Shark Talk with Ray Troll*

Sunday, May 15 • 4 p.m. – 6 p.m.

Centennial Hall

Youth Activities are sponsored by **The Friends of the Alaska State Museum**, and partially funded by the City and Borough of Juneau-Douglas through sales tax revenue.

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**Alaska State Museum Volunteers** donated over 2,300 hours in 2004. Friends of the Alaska State Museum (FASM) board members work on the advocacy, museum store, marketing, hospitality and program committees • Museum Collection Advisory Committee (MCAC) members approve object donations to the collection • Youth workshop volunteers help develop activities for students and assist youth during the activities • Docents complete several weeks of training and provide guided tours for summer visitors • School group program educators provide tours for school groups • Museum Store volunteers assist with purchasing and sales in the store • Collections assistants create storage mounts and assist with cataloging artifacts • Exhibit installers create exhibition mounts and help unpack, pack and install exhibitions • Guest speakers and art presenters provide a variety of lectures and presentation for volunteers and visitors • Events volunteers help with set up, clean up and assist the public during receptions, Museum Day and 4<sup>th</sup> of July special events.

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