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Upcoming State Holiday Closures

The Alaska State Library, Archives, and Museum (Juneau) will be closed:

- Tuesday, December 25 (Christmas Day)
- Tuesday, January 1 (New Year's Day)

The Sheldon Jackson Museum (Sitka) will be closed:

- Tuesday, December 25 (Christmas Day)
- Tuesday, January 1 (New Year's Day)

November Art Opportunity (Sitka)

After the November issue of At the APK and SJM went to press, we received notice about this event at Sheldon Jackson Museum:

At Saxan Art Activity – Part I – Stainglass-like Snowflake Ornament Making – Part I, Saturday, November 24th, 10:00 am – 11:00 am

Join us for a holiday At Saxan Art Activity to make snowflake ornaments that look like stained glass. These make a lovely holiday gift! This project will involve using glue, wax paper, yarn, and Elmer's glue. Come dressed to get messy. This program is best for children ages 8-11. Younger children may attend, but help from an adult may be useful. This is the first part of a two-part art activity. The second and final part will take place on Sat., Dec. 1st at 10am. Participants must attend both parts to complete the ornament.

This event is sponsored by the Friends of Sheldon Jackson Museum and is free. Registration is required. Call (907) 747-8981 to register.

Coming in January, Family Fair

Looking to start 2019 with some family fun? People in Juneau should think about coming to our family fair on January 4th. Drop in any time between 1:00 and 4:00 for an afternoon of art activities inspired by the collections and led by the Library, Archives, and Museum staff. All ages are welcome and no registration is required. This activity is partially funded by the citizens of the City and Borough of Juneau through sales tax revenues and is sponsored by the Friends of the Alaska State Library, Archives, and Museum. More details may come in next issue.

Online Events Calendar

Events are sometimes cancelled, added or rescheduled after press time. See our online events calendar at <http://lam.alaska.gov/calendar> for calendar updates.

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Events This Month

APK = Fr. Andrew P. Kashevaroff Building (Juneau)

SJM = Sheldon Jackson Museum (Sitka)

Friday French Language Practice Group

Every Friday, Noon – 1:00 pm, APK OWL Room (Alaska State Library) & other OWL videoconferencing locations.

Open to all language levels. Come learn and practice the French language in a fun, no-pressure environment.



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Juneau Cabaret Great American Songbook Lecture & Concert Series

Saturday, December 1st, 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm, APK Lecture Hall

Juneau Cabaret, with support from the Juneau Arts & Humanities Council, presents The Great American Songbook Series! All shows are Pay-As-You-Can.

December Featured Composer: Harry Warren.

Local singers perform music from the Great American Song Book, along with a little history. Coordinated by Tom Locher, Laura Haywood, & Heather Mitchell.

At Saxan Art Activity – Part II – Stainglass-like Snowflake Ornament Making – Part II

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Screening of the Film, Nanook of the North

Saturday, December 1st, 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm, **SJM**

Robert Flaherty's classic film tells the story of Inuit hunter Nanook and his family as they struggle to survive in the harsh conditions of Canada's Hudson Bay region. Enormously popular when released in 1922, *Nanook of the North* is a cinematic milestone that continues to enchant audiences. An informal discussion about the film, its criticisms, and groundbreaking nature will follow.

First Friday extended hours & Alaska State Museum Solo Artist Exhibit Series: Inheritance: Makers, Memory, Myth exhibit opening

Friday, December 7th, 4:30 pm – 7:00 pm, **APK** Alaska State Museum & Lecture Hall



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Artist Amy Meissner explores domesticity and motherhood. She describes herself as a memoirist, whose preferred medium is textiles and preferred language is the stitch. Meissner's textile art combines traditional handwork and contemporary imagery to explore memory, fragility and the literal, physical and emotional work of women. Her materials are vintage, discarded or found and manipulate unknown histories to shape a narrative of myth for each artwork. The works in this exhibition include contemporary mixed media work created from donated, abandoned, rescued, and crowdsourced domestic linens. A reception with light refreshments will be offered by the Friends of the Alaska State Library, Archives and Museum.

Artist Talk by Amy Meissner

Friday, December 7th, 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm, **APK**, Lecture Hall

Alaska State Museum Solo Artist Amy Meissner will present an artist talk about her work. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Alaska State Library, Archives, and Museum and will be recorded for later broadcast on 360 North and online at www.360north.org/at-the-apk/.

Needle & Story – Youth Textile Workshops with Amy Meissner

Saturday, December 8th, 10:00 am - Noon and 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm, **APK**, Classroom

Solo Artist Amy Meissner will lead a textile workshop for youth. The morning session is designed for ages 6-9 and the afternoon is geared for ages 9-12, but Amy welcomes younger kids with adult assistance and interested teens. Participants will explore children's mark-making on cloth utilizing a special selection of embroidered textiles from the Inheritance Project, a year-long crowdsourcing effort that rescued abandoned, unwanted, or unfinished domestic textiles from all over the world. Participants will work with vintage cloth, children's drawings and basic hand stitches to redefine the notion of the heirloom, creating a new object able to span multiple generations and ideals of beauty. No prior sewing experience is necessary.

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Archives, and Museum. Space is limited and registration is recommended. Register by calling the Alaska State Museum at 465-2901. For more information, visit lam.alaska.gov/youthart.

Online Programs

Our television collaboration with KTOO and 360 North, *At the APK*, is available online. If you missed one of our recent lectures, you can watch it any time online via [360 North's website](#).

The most recently posted show is [Author Talk with Daniel Lee Henry](#) posted in October 2018.

Current Exhibitions

Alaska State Museum Galleries – Juneau

- *Amy Meissner – Inheritance: Makers. Memory. Myth.* On display from December 7, 2018 – February 9, 2019

Artist Amy Meissner explores domesticity and motherhood. She describes herself as a memoirist, whose preferred medium is textiles and preferred language is the stitch. Meissner's textile art combines traditional handwork and contemporary imagery to explore memory, fragility and the literal, physical and emotional work of women. Her materials are vintage, discarded or found and manipulate unknown histories to shape a narrative of myth for each artwork. The works in this exhibition include contemporary mixed media work created from donated, abandoned, rescued, and crowdsourced domestic linens.

- *McNeil, Real Indian (and Curtis).* On display November 2, 2018 – January 12, 2019

Larry McNeil and Edward Curtis have both made their careers out of photographing the Indigenous people of North America. This "Real Indians" exhibition examines the ongoing visual dialogue about the question of what the



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concept of “Real Indians” is all about. Is it the colonial romanticized view from outsiders like Edward Curtis, Larry McNeil’s classic yet contemporary inside view, or a mix of both?

- *Grand Visions of the Great Land: Historic & Contemporary Art from the Alaska State Museum Collection* curated by Jinx Whitaker, Steve Henrikson, and Jackie Manning – On display for the foreseeable future.

APK Display Cases - Juneau

Mezzanine Level

- *View from the Future: Fifty Years after the Alaska Purchase Centennial* – View buildings across Alaska built in 1967 with federal funds provided in connection with the Alaska Purchase Centennial.
- *AEL&P History* – AEL&P is celebrating 125 years of power generation in Juneau and they have shared a visual time line of their history with us. Stop by and check out how they’ve kept the lights on in Juneau for over a century!

Second Floor Level

- *Alaska and World War I: A Centennial Exhibit* - The Alaska State Archives and Alaska State Library Historical Collections have installed an exhibit on Alaska and the First World War. The centennial exhibit features photographs and documents that tell the story of Alaska’s men and women who served as soldiers and in the Red Cross, as well as how the War affected the home front. Can’t make it to Juneau? Visit archives.alaska.gov and look for the exhibit under “Popular Resources.”
- *Father Andrew P. Kashevaroff* – This exhibit shows scenes from the life of the very first curator of the Alaska State Museum and Historical Library.

Upcoming Exhibitions

Donald Varnell – The Crybabies. Coming February 2019



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Haida carver Donald Varnell brings diverse themes to his art and does not regulate his work to one specific medium. Using skills acquired through apprenticeships as well as an awareness that stems from autodidactic effort, Varnell's work transforms traditional Northwest Coast design into something new and distinctive. With this exhibit, Varnell will contribute to the ever-evolving zeitgeist of the human condition.

Visitor Information

Hours and Admission Fees

Juneau:

- [Library and Historical Collections](#) and [Archives](#): Monday through Friday, 10:00 am – 4:00 pm. No admission fee.
- [Alaska State Museum](#): Tuesday through Saturday, 10:00 am – 4:00 pm. Cost is \$7 per adult. \$6 for seniors (65 and older). **18 and younger are admitted free of charge.**

Sitka:

- [Sheldon Jackson Museum](#): Tuesdays through Saturday, 10:00 am – 4:00 pm. Cost is \$5 for adult, \$4 for seniors (65 and older), **18 and younger are admitted free of charge.**

Food, Coffee and Gifts (Juneau)

- Raven Café: Monday through Friday, 7:30 am – 3:00 pm
- Store at the APK: Monday through Saturday, 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

Special Notes:

- The Alaska State Museum (APK - Juneau) and the Store at the APK are open the First Friday of every month until 7:00 pm.



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