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Calendar

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

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

SJM = Sheldon Jackson Museum (Sitka)

News

We're Open to Visitors with limited hours!

Division facilities began allowing in-person visitors on June 23rd, 2020. During the month of July we anticipate being open the following hours:

JUNEAU

- State Library and State Archives - Tuesday through Friday, Noon to 4:00 PM.
- Alaska State Museum - Wednesday through Saturday, Noon to 4:00 PM

SITKA

- Sheldon Jackson Museum - Wednesday through Saturday, Noon to 4:00 PM

To learn more visit <https://lam.alaska.gov> and check the page of the section you intend to visit. Hours and conditions of visits are subject to change in these challenging times.

Holiday Closures in July

Independence Day

- The APK (Juneau) will be closed July 3rd and 4th.
- The Sheldon Jackson Museum (Sitka) will be closed July 4th.

Suspended till September - In person groups

While we have reopened for visitors, tours, in-person public events and rentals remain cancelled until September. We will

reevaluate this policy in September based on the latest state and federal health guidance available.

Octopus Room, Other Museum Interactives Closed

As part of our COVID-19 response, the “Octopus Room” and other museum interactive (touching) exhibits are closed until further notice. This closure will be reviewed periodically in light of latest state and federal health guidance available.

Cafe and Store: Reopening Dates Pending

As of press time, the reopening dates Raven Café and the Store at the APK were not available. For the status of the Café please call 907-209-9271. For the status of the Store, call 907-586-0540.

Archived Video Lecture: Robert Murray

While you're waiting for the APK in Juneau to resume public lectures, we recommend you spend some time with the [At The APK playlist](#) on YouTube posted by 360 North. This month we suggest the [Working Models: Sculptures by Robert Murray](#). Mr. Murray is the creator of the Nimbus sculpture sitting out front of the APK in Juneau.

Events this month

Friday French Language Practice Group

Every Friday, Noon – 1:00 pm, Online. Requires one time registration at <https://lam.alaska.gov/frenchfromhome>.

Open to all language levels. Come learn and practice the French language in a fun, no-pressure environment. We use WebEx with both video and audio, so you'll need a computer or other device with internet access. If not part of your device, you'll need speakers/headphones and a microphone.

Virtual First Friday: Women of Vision

Friday, July 3rd, 4:30 pm, <https://lam.alaska.gov/first-friday>

The Alaska State Museum will be closed for the Independence Day holiday on July 3rd, but you can still experience Women of Vision, our latest virtual exhibit, which will go live at at 4:30 pm.

In recognition of the 100-year anniversary of women's suffrage in the United States, the Alaska State Museum is displaying highlights from the collection by women artists. These works span over a century and include recent acquisitions made possible by the Rasmuson Foundation.

Student activity, Art From Found Materials, will be available as an associated activity on the museum's education page, <https://museums.alaska.gov/resources.html>.

Alaska Native Artist Abel Ryan (Tsimshian), In-Residence at Sheldon Jackson Museum

July 1st - July 17th, various times and days. SJM.

Tsimshian carver and jewelry maker Abel Ryan will be an artist-in-residence at the Sheldon Jackson Museum between July 1st and July 17th. Ryan will primarily work in silver engraving and wood carving during his residency.

Abel Ryan is a Tsimshian artist of the Laxiboo Clan of Metlakatla, AK. He studied Tsimshian Arts from Master Carver Jack Hudson in Metlakatla as a child and later went on to attend Sheldon Jackson College and the University of Alaska Fairbanks. A wood carver and metal engraver, he enjoys making masks, bowls, spoons, bracelets, rattles, earrings, pendants, and paintings. Recently, a retrospective of Ryan's work was featured in a solo exhibition at the Juneau Douglas City Museum. A full time artist who has been in residence many times at the Sheldon Jackson Museum, he currently lives in

Juneau, AK.

SJM Artist-in-Residence Virtual Talk: Abel Ryan on Stopping and Restarting

Thursday, July 2nd, 3:00 - 4:00 PM, Facebook Live.

The Friends of Sheldon Jackson Museum will stream Alaska Native Artist-in-Residence Abel Ryan (Tsimshian) giving a 1 hour virtual talk entitled "Stopping and Restarting, My Journey Through the Covid 19 Shutdown" on Thursday, July 2nd at 3pm. People can watch the virtual talk on the Friends Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/Friends-of-Sheldon-Jackson-Museum-270415132993429/>. The talk will also be posted to the Friends website at <http://www.friendsofsjm.com>.

Virtual Paining Class with SJM Artist-in-Residence Abel Ryan,

Saturday, July 11th, 2:00 - 3:00 pm, Facebook Live

The Friends of Sheldon Jackson Museum will stream Alaska Native Artist-in-Residence Abel Ryan (Tsimshian) giving a 1 hour virtual class on called "From Idea to Painting: How to create a planned Formline Design Painting." In the class, Ryan will take viewers from start to finish in the process of making a painting using formline design elements. People can watch the virtual class on the Friends Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/Friends-of-Sheldon-Jackson-Museum-270415132993429/>. The class will also be posted to the Friends website at <http://www.friendsofsjm.com>.

SJM Artist-in-Residence Virtual Talk: Abel Ryan Residency Recap Talk

Thursday, July 16th, 3:00 - 4:00 pm, Facebook Live

The Friends of Sheldon Jackson Museum will

stream Alaska Native Artist-in-Residence Abel Ryan (Tsimshian) giving a 1 hour virtual Residency Recap Talk on Thursday, July 16th at 3pm at the end of the residency outlining what work the artist created while at the museum. People can watch the virtual talk on the Friends Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/Friends-of-Sheldon-Jackson-Museum-270415132993429/>. The talk will also be posted to the Friends website at <http://www.friendsofsjm.com>.

Alaska Native Artist June Pardue (Alutiiq/Sugpiaq), In-Residence at Sheldon Jackson Museum

July 24th - August 8th, various times and days, SJM

Alutiiq/Sugpiaq gut skin and fish skin sewer, basket weaver, and beader, June Pardue, will be an artist-in-residence at the Sheldon Jackson Museum between July 24th and August 8th. Pardue will be working primarily with salmon skin during her residency. June Pardue grew up in Old Harbor, Kodiak. As a child, she spent time with her mother and their neighbor, Fedosia Inga, weaving grass into baskets and other types of containers in the traditional Alutiiq/Sugpiaq styles. Over time she became one of the most highly regarded traditional Sugpiaq weavers and became very skilled at working with fish skin and gut skin, which she now teaches across Alaska. Her works are in the collections of the Kodiak History Museum and Alutiiq Museum in Kodiak, the Sheldon Jackson Museum, and numerous private collections.

Two-Part Virtual Earring Making class with June Pardue, SJM Artist-in-Residence

Saturday, July 25th, 2:00-3:30pm (Part 1) and Tuesday, July 28th 2:00-3:30pm (Part 2), Facebook Live

The Friends of Sheldon Jackson Museum will stream Alaska Native Artist-in-Residence June Pardue (Alutiiq/Sugpiaq) giving a two-part, virtual earring making class. During the class, students will have a chance to learn how to make a zig zag porcupine quill design on a piece of deer hide or moose hide or fish skin (depending upon preference) and how to add beads to the pieces to make them into a complete, finished set of earrings. Students should plan to attend both classes and obtain their own materials in advance so they can “work along” with Pardue as she instructs. A materials list can be obtained by emailing Jacqueline.Fernandez-Hamberg@alaska.gov. People can watch the virtual class on the Friends Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/Friends-of-Sheldon-Jackson-Museum-270415132993429/>. The classes will also be posted to the Friends website at <http://www.friendsofsjm.com>.

Current Exhibitions

Alaska State Museum Galleries – Juneau

» *Women of Vision: Honoring the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution* - On display in 2020.

APK Display Cases - Juneau

Mezzanine Level

» Father Andrew P. Kashevaroff – This exhibit shows scenes from the life of the very first curator of the Alaska State Museum and Historical Library.

Second Floor Level

» Women of Alaska, an exhibit by the State Library and Archives - Women have played a significant role in shaping Alaska into the state it is today. Women of Alaska recognizes and celebrates their achievements and contributions to the economic, academic, social, cultural, and po-

litical fields within our communities. The exhibit is curated from the collections of the Alaska State Library Historical Collections and Alaska State Archives and will be on display through 2020.

Upcoming Exhibitions

Watch this space.

Visitor Information

Visit or Call

Fr. Andrew P. Kashevaroff Building:

395 Whittier St., Juneau

(907) 465-4837

Sheldon Jackson Museum:

104 College Dr., Sitka

(907) 747-8981

Hours and Admission Fees

Juneau:

» Library and Historical Collections and Archives: Tuesday through Friday, Noon – 4:00 pm. No admission fee.

» Alaska State Museum: Wednesday through Saturday, Noon – 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: Wednesday through Saturday, Noon – 4:00 pm. Cost is \$5 per adult. \$4 for seniors (65 and older). 18 and younger are admitted free of charge.

Food, Coffee and Gifts (Juneau)

Raven Café:

» Reopening Announcement Pending. Phone
907-209-9271

Store at the APK:

» Reopening Announcement Pending. Phone
907-586-0540.

Accessibility Notice

A person experiencing a disability who needs accommodation for events hosted by the Alaska State Library, Archives, and Museum can contact the Division's ADA coordinator at (907) 465-2912 up to a week prior to an event to make any necessary arrangements.