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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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If you received this newsletter from a friend, you can subscribe yourself to this newsletter by clicking on the [“Sign up” on our newsletter archives page](https://lam.alaska.gov/atapksjm) (lam.alaska.gov/atapksjm). If you enjoy this newsletter, please forward it to family, friends and co-workers.

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

SJM = Sheldon Jackson Museum (Sitka)

News

We're open to visitors with limited hours!

During the month of August we plan on 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.

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 is Open!

The Raven Café opened in July and is now open Monday through Friday 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Takeout is strongly encouraged and some hours is the only option. If you have further questions, you may call the Cafe at 907-209-9271.

Store at the APK: Reopening Date Pending

As of press time, the reopening date of the Store at the APK was not available. For the status of the Store, call 907-586-0540.

Archived Video Lecture: Jackson Polys

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 [An artist's talk with Jackson Polys](#). On September 1, 2017 Jackson Polys (aka Stephen Paul Jackson and Stron Softi) gave an artist talk about his work on the Seward shame pole that was raised in Saxman Totem Park in April 2017. Jackson's Seward pole is the third iteration. The original pole was erected after Secretary of State William Seward's 1869 visit to southeast Alaska. The Tlingit honored Seward with a potlatch and gifts that he did not reciprocate, which led to the creation of the ridicule pole. In 1941, the original pole was replaced by a Civilian Conservation Corps replica. In 2014, the second pole had deteriorated beyond repair and Jackson was selected to create a replacement. Jackson's version features a more detailed carving of Seward's face than its predecessor, a tribute to the original pole.

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.

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

August 1st – 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.

SJM Artist-in-Residence Virtual Talk: June Pardue

Saturday, August, 1st, 3:00 – 4:00 pm, Zoom, YouTube

Alutiiq/Sugpiaq gut skin and fish skin sewer, basket weaver, and beader, June Pardue, will give a Virtual Artist Talk entitled An Alutiiq Kakiwik- An Alutiiq Sewing Bag on Sat., Aug. 1st at 3pm on Zoom. Pardue will share information about men's and

women's sewing bags and why certain tools were needed for sewing garments and watercraft. The Zoom link will be shared on the [Friends of Sheldon Jackson Museum website](#), [Friends of Sheldon Jackson Museum Facebook page](#), and in Alaska State Museum press releases. After being filmed, the talk will be posted to the [Friends YouTube Channel](#) and the [Friends of Sheldon Jackson Museum website](#) at <http://www.friendsofsjm.com>.

SJM Artist-in-Residence Virtual Talk: June Pardue Residency Recap Talk

Saturday, August 8th, 3:00 - 4:00 pm, Facebook Live

Alutiiq/Sugpiaq gut skin and fish skin sewer, basket weaver, and beader, June Pardue, will give an Artist Recap Talk sharing what she has created while in residence at the Sheldon Jackson Museum on Sat., Aug. 8th at 3pm on Zoom. The Zoom link will be shared on the [Friends of Sheldon Jackson Museum website](#), [Friends of Sheldon Jackson Museum Facebook page](#), and in Alaska State Museum press releases. After being filmed, the talk will be posted to the [Friends YouTube Channel](#) and the [Friends of Sheldon Jackson Museum 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.

» *Simply Big 1970-2020: Large Artworks from the Alaska State Museum Collection* - On display July 15th through September 2020. From large format photographs to towering canvases, the Alaska State Museum's newest exhibition features artworks by renowned Alaskan artists with one thing in common: size. Simply Big is a collection of art-

work made between 1970 and 2020 and includes works that have not been on exhibit before as well as recent acquisitions made possible by the by the Rasmuson Foundation.

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 political 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:

» Open 9:00 am - 3:00 pm, Monday - Friday.
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.

