



**ANCHORAGE
MUSEUM**

ON VIEW 2010



IMAGINARIUM DISCOVERY CENTER - OPENS MAY 2010

Start an earthquake, step inside a giant bubble and journey to the stars in the museum's hands-on science galleries. The Imaginarium Discovery Center is designed to make earth, life and physical science fun for all ages.

Highlights include:

- Thomas Planetarium where visitors learn about astronomy and the aurora borealis
- TOTE Kidspace where children under 5 can explore art, history and science through play
- Marine touch tanks with live specimens from Alaska waters



SMITHSONIAN ARCTIC STUDIES CENTER - OPENS MAY 2010

In the first arrangement of its kind, the Smithsonian Institution is loaning hundreds of indigenous Alaska artifacts to their place of origin. These cultural and historical treasures will be exhibited in new state-of-the-art galleries.

Highlights include:

- A 3-D sound installation that immerses visitors in the Arctic
- Interactive display screens that allow visitors to learn more about the objects on view
- Objects never displayed before including a 1866 Athabascan tunic, one of the Smithsonian's oldest objects



Conceptual view of Imaginarium Discovery Center



Photo courtesy Smithsonian Institution

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ALASKA GALLERY

Dedicated to the history of Alaska's people from pre-contact times to the present, the large gallery features artifacts from the many distinct Alaska Native cultures, Russian occupation and the gold rush era. Displays also highlight 20th century historical events such as the 8.4 magnitude earthquake of 1964 and the Exxon Valdez oil spill.

Visitor favorites:

- Bisection of the trans-Alaska oil pipeline, one of the seven wonders of the United States
- Woolly mammoth tusk from the Pleistocene period
- Life-size dioramas of traditional Alaska Native dwellings



ART OF THE NORTH GALLERIES

Reflecting the regional landscape and people, the Art of the North galleries feature works by a diverse group of artists, including an extensive collection by Sydney Laurence, Alaska's best-known landscape painter. Themes include exploration, lifestyles, wildlife and portraits.

Visitor favorites:

- Alaska landscape paintings from the late 19th century
- Contemporary Alaska Native art and craft

ANCHORAGE MUSEUM AT RASMUSON CENTER

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Alaska Gallery



Lawrence Beck, *Pook Timertik Inua (Pook Walrus Spirit)*

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MUSEUM TOURS

Experts on Alaska history, volunteer museum docents offer one-hour tours daily during the summer. All tours are included with museum admission. Private docent tours are available upon request for an additional fee.



SUMMER FILM SERIES

Films focusing on Alaska's art, history and culture are shown daily during the summer and are included with museum admission.



MUSEUM SHOP

The shop carries authentic Alaska Native art, contemporary crafts, books and gifts inspired by the museum's collections. The shop was voted one of the 10 best places to buy authentic Alaska Native art in an Anchorage Daily News readers' poll.



MUSE RESTAURANT

This contemporary restaurant uses fresh ingredients from the Pacific Northwest prepared with Asian and European flair to create imaginative, elegant cuisine. Frommer's travel guide rates the café a four-star dining experience and describes it as having the "best lunch to be had downtown." Muse offers an extensive wine list, fine selection of microbrews and creative cocktails.



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Bringing the best of the world to Alaska and the best of Alaska to the world, the Anchorage Museum is Alaska's premier art, history and science museum. Located in the heart of downtown Anchorage, the museum offers a unique cultural experience for residents and visitors alike.



HOURS

Summer hours open daily from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., including holidays.

Winter hours open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, noon to 6 p.m. Sunday, closed Monday.

ADMISSION

Adults 18 to 64: \$10

Seniors/Military/Students: \$8

Child 3-12: \$7 (beginning in May 2010)

Special exhibition rates may apply

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Sydney Laurence, *Sunset on Snow*, oil on canvas, Anchorage Museum



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