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**ANCHORAGE MUSEUM JULY - AUGUST 2025**

**PROGRAMS AND EXHIBITIONS SCHEDULE****\***

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###### NEWS

#### **New bore tide installation now open—come see the tide roll in!** Experience the power of Alaska’s natural forces with the new Bore Tide interactive display in the Discovery Zone's TOTE Water Zone. This dynamic, hands-on exhibit brings the dramatic Turnagain Arm bore tide to life. Made possible with support from TOTE, Matson, and other community sponsors.

###### JULY EVENTS

**Lunch on the Lawn: Dog Days of Summer**

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In addition to some puppy fun, Lunch on the Lawn will feature live music, food trucks, science demos, and family-friendly games. Free. Dogs must be kept on a leash. This series is made possible with support from TOTE.

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Visit with [Paws for Purple Hearts](https://www.pawsforpurplehearts.org/anchorage-ak) on the museum lawn and learn about their work providing service dogs to wounded veterans.

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**Exhibition Tour: Dog Show**   
11 a.m. July 3, 10, 24 & 31, *First Floor, Patricia B. Wolf Family Galleries*  
Tour the new *Dog Show* exhibition and explore the historical and cultural significance of dogs in the Circumpolar North. Included with admission.

**First Friday at the Anchorage Museum**

6 - 9 p.m. Friday, July 4, *Anchorage Museum*

Bring the whole family to enjoy free museum admission. Stop by Muse x Crush Bistro for snacks, or view rapid space shorts in the planetarium.

**Thomas Planetarium -** Rapid Space Shorts

6:30, 7, 7:30, 8 & 8:30 p.m.

These quick planetarium experiences range from constellation tours of the night sky and cruising around the solar system to learning about light and the aurora borealis. Free; ticket required and available at the front desk after 6 p.m.

**Bank of America Museums on Us**

10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Saturday, July 5 & Sunday, July 6

Bank of America cardholders receive free general admission the first weekend of each month with a BoA card and photo ID. *Special exhibition fees apply.* Plus, enjoy 10% off at the Museum Store that day. *No other discounts apply.*

**Lunch on the Lawn: Dog Days of Summer**

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**Vital & Creative: Japanese Tetsuyousou Bookbinding For Ages 55+**

11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 8, *Discovery Center, Art Lab*

***Tetsuyousou***, or multi-section binding, is a traditional East Asian bookbinding technique that stitches together multiple folded sections using thread passed across the spine. Though intricate and time-intensive, this method produces a refined, exposed-spine book that lies completely flat when open. Historically used for literary and poetic works, tetsuyousou-bound books are also ideal for modern-day journals and sketchbooks, combining durability with elegance.

**Participants will explore a range of bookbinding techniques and receive guided instruction to craft their own hand-bound books.**All materials are included. A $15 materials fee covers supplies and museum admission.

*Vital & Creative is a series of creative materials explorations for adults aged 55+.*

**Teen Art Studio: Cleverly Collaged**

3 p.m. Wednesday, July 9, *Discovery Center,* *Art Lab*

In “Teen Art Studio,” teens will explore the [*Tricksters and Sourdoughs*](https://www.anchoragemuseum.org/exhibits/tricksters-and-sourdoughs-humor-and-identity-in-alaska/) exhibition to get inspired by Alaska’s unique humor, then experiment with layering techniques using various mediums, colors, and textures to create their own mixed media masterpieces. Materials provided, but participants are encouraged to bring spare newspaper, fabric, magazines, or clippings to personalize their work. $5 per registrant; museum admission not included. Scholarships available upon request. Email [programs@anchoragemuseum.org](mailto:programs@anchoragemuseum.org).

**Repair & Reuse: Furniture Painting**

6 - 8 p.m. Wednesday, July 9, *Seed Lab, 111 W. 6th Ave.*

Refresh your space with guidance from Furnish Studio + Salvage. This hands-on workshop covers tips and techniques for repairing, updating, and refinishing a variety of furniture pieces to elevate your home’s interior style. Participants will practice painting methods directly on selected items, learning how to transform old furniture into statement pieces. Workshop suitable for teens and adults. Materials provided. Free.

# *Repair and Reuse workshops are building a culture of repair, working to transform our culture into one that repairs more readily than it purchases, to create a more sustainable community. Themes change monthly.*

**Bike Tour: Urban Gardens**

5 p.m. Thursday, July 10, *Museum Lawn*

**Pedal through Anchorage on a guided tour exploring local efforts toward food security.** Led by Nick Riordan of [Yarducopia](https://www.akaction.org/yarducopia/), this bike tour highlights community gardens, pollinator habitats, resource depots, and sources of subsistence foods. Along the way, hear from local experts working to build a more resilient food system.  
  
Free. Tour begins at the Anchorage Museum and covers four to eight miles; may not be suitable for all riders. Meet at 5 p.m., ride begins at 5:30 p.m. rain or shine. In partnership with [Bike Anchorage](https://www.bikeanchorage.org/).   
  
**Adult Art Class: Botanical Impressions-Mixed Media Wildflowers**   
6 - 8:30 p.m. Thursday, July 10, *Discovery Center,* *Art Lab*  
Alaska artist Kate Powers will lead a hands-on workshop focused on process, observation, and exploration. Using water-soluble pastels, crayons, pencils, and markers, participants will explore layering, mark-making, and composition to create studies of botanical forms. Students will begin with simple exercises to get familiar with the materials, then work with fresh wildflowers gathered from Southcentral Alaska. This is a process-based workshop designed for all skill levels.

All materials provided. $35. Best for ages 16+. Questions can be sent to [clindquist@anchoragemuseum.org](mailto:clindquist@anchoragemuseum.org).

**Lunch on the Lawn**

11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Thursday, July 10, *Museum Lawn*

We’re bringing live music and food trucks to you every Tuesday and Thursday afternoon. Lunch on the Lawn is our weekly live music series featuring local and national acts. Other activities include educational programming, community conversations, family-friendly games, and special artists' pop-ups. Weekly activities vary. This series is made possible with support from TOTE. Free.

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**Five Day Film Royale: Humor in Alaska**  
6:30 p.m. doors; 7 p.m. showtime. Friday, July 11, *Auditorium*  
[Alaska Filmmakers](https://alaskafilmmakers.com/) presents the *Five Day Film Royale*, **a fast-paced showcase of fresh, funny films created in Alaska.** From snowy peaks to busy streets, filmmakers of all levels were challenged to write, shoot, and edit a short film—under five minutes—in just five days. Join us for a lively screening of this summer’s comedic entries, presented in conjunction with the exhibition Tricksters and Sourdoughs: Humor and Identity in Alaska. Get ready to laugh in great company watching this round of comedic films presented together with the exhibition, [*Tricksters and Sourdoughs*: *Humor and Identity in Alaska*](https://www.anchoragemuseum.org/exhibits/tricksters-and-sourdoughs-humor-and-identity-in-alaska/).

Free. Enter through the 7th Avenue doors. Seating is first-come, first-served.

**Sensory-Friendly & Access Morning**

9 - 10 a.m. Sunday, July 13, *Atrium, First Floor galleries, Discovery Center*

Have you ever wanted to experience the museum with less sensory overload? This program is open to both families and adults, especially those experiencing developmental and/or physical disabilities and those on the autism spectrum. The atrium, first-floor galleries, and Discovery Center will all be open for exploration, with a safe space available for those who need it.

$5 per family/group; museum members receive a 10% discount. Advance registration is strongly recommended. Walk-in registration will only be available if capacity allows and if paying by credit card.

Use the museum’s 7th Avenue entrance. Parking is available in the museum garage. For more information or to request accommodations, please call (907) 929-9258 or email [access@anchoragemuseum.org](mailto:access@anchoragemuseum.org).

**Lunch on the Lawn**

11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 15, *Museum Lawn*

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**CoLab-orations: Wood Art Painting**5:30 - 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 15, *Discovery Center,* *CoLab*  **Join a hands-on “CoLab-orations” workshop exploring wood art painting.** Draw inspiration from the landscapes featured in the Art of the North gallery, then choose from a selection of pre-cut Alaskan animal shapes to design your own Alaska-inspired scene using paint markers or pastels.Open to tweens, teens, and adults of all skill levels—no prior experience needed.  
  
All materials and tools are provided. $30 materials fee; includes museum admission.  
  
*CoLab-orations is a monthly workshop for tweens, teens and adults that provides an opportunity to explore a specific material or skill in-depth.*

**Teen Art Studio: Dog Portraits**

3 p.m. Wednesday, July 16, *Discovery Center,* *Art Lab*

Start this workshop by finding inspiration through a brief tour of the *Dog Show* exhibition, a celebration of human-dog connections through time and place. Then head to the classroom to learn how to capture your dog’s personality and likeness through art.

Explore techniques using graphite transfer, marker, watercolor and gouache. Please bring a printed “headshot” of your dog on regular copier paper (black and white is fine).

All materials provided. $5, museum admission not included. Scholarships available upon request. Email [programs@anchoragemuseum.org](mailto:programs@anchoragemuseum.org).

*Teen Art Studio is a series of creative materials explorations recommended for ages 13-20.*

**Kincaid Park Bunker Tour**

6 p.m. Thursday, July 17, *Kincaid Park Chalet Parking Lot, 6998 Raspberry Rd.*  
Explore Anchorage’s Cold War past with a guided tour of Kincaid Park’s former nuclear missile bunkers. Presented by the Anchorage Museum in collaboration with the [Friends of the Nike Site Summit](https://www.nikesitesummit.net/), this tour offers a rare glimpse into the city’s role as one of America’s first lines of defense during the Cold War.  
  
Hear firsthand insights from a veteran tour guide as you uncover the history behind these hidden military installations.

Recommended for ages 16 and up. Each participant must register individually. Tour will meet at the Kincaid Park Chalet Parking Lot. $10, $5 for museum members.

To learn more about Alaska’s role in the Cold War visit our *Cold War to the Cosmos: Distant Early Warning Systems and the Arctic* exhibition.

**Lunch on the Lawn**

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**Panel Breaks: Comic Workshop Sessions with Tadd Galusha**6 - 8 p.m. Saturday, July 19, *Seed Lab, 111 W. 6th Ave.*Comic illustrator Tadd Galusha hosts instructional presentations, live art demos, and one-on-one portfolio reviews to help advance your comic project.

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**Lunch on the Lawn**

11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 22, *Museum Lawn*

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**Exhibition Tour: Cold War to the Cosmos**

11 a.m. Wednesday, July 23, *Third Floor, West Wing*

**Take a guided tour of** [Cold War to the Cosmos: Distant Early Warning Systems and the Arctic](https://www.anchoragemuseum.org/exhibits/cold-war-to-the-cosmos-distant-early-warning-systems-and-the-arctic/)**with an Anchorage Museum staff member.** This exhibition delves into the Arctic’s strategic importance during the Cold War, exploring how rising tensions and military brinkmanship between the United States and the Soviet Union shaped life in Alaska. No registration required; included with admission.

**Teen Art Studio: Weaving**

3 p.m. Wednesday, July 23, *Discovery Center,* *Art Lab*  
Join museum staff in this hands-on workshop on tapestry weaving, a rich tradition practiced across cultures for thousands of years that blends creativity and technique. Participants will learn basic weaving methods and create a decorative woven art piece to take home. No experience necessary.

All materials provided. $5 per registrant, museum admission not included. Scholarships available upon request. Email [programs@anchoragemuseum.org](mailto:programs@anchoragemuseum.org).

*Teen Art Studio is a series of creative materials explorations recommended for ages 13-20.*

**Lunch on the Lawn**

11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Thursday, July 24, *Museum Lawn*

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**Summer Break Camp: Birds & Dinosaurs (Ages 7-9)**

10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Monday, July 28 – Friday, Aug. 1

Before their extinction, dinosaurs reigned for 165 million years. Are these intriguing animals really gone? During this week-long camp, kids will investigate all things ‘dinosaurs’ using S.T.E.A.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math)-based activities. Campers will learn about birds, dinosaurs’ closest living relatives, and how they have adapted from the Cretaceous period through modern times. Participants will hone their observation skills and learn through various hands-on activities. This camp culminates in a showcase on Friday at 2:30 p.m., where parents and caregivers are invited to view campers’ work.

$300; 10% discount for museum members. Drop off as early as 9:30 a.m.; pick up as late as 3:30 p.m. Registration closes Monday, July 21.

**Summer Break Camp: Flora & Fauna (Ages 10-12)**

10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Monday, July 28 – Friday, Aug. 1

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**Lunch on the Lawn**

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**Film: Drum Song: The Rhythm of Life**6:30 p.m. Thursday, July 31, *Auditorium*  
An exploration of climate crisis impacts through the eyes of Alaska’s Indigenous peoples as they adapt to the changing rhythms of seasons, cycles, and movements across eroding lands and melting Arctic ice.

Presented in partnership with [Arctic Encounter Symposium](https://www.arcticencounter.com/). Q&A with director Kelly Moneymaker to follow. $5; $4 members. Arctic Encounter Symposium attendees receive complimentary access with conference badge.

**Lunch on the Lawn**

11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Thursday, July 31, *Museum Lawn*

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**Bike Tour: Public Art in Anchorage**

## 5 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 7, *Museum Lawn*

Strap on a helmet and set off on a tour of public art pieces led by [Anchorage Curator of Public Art](https://www.muni.org/Departments/Public_Works_Administration/PublicArt/pages/artcommittee.aspx) Gideon Gerlt. Ride to a selection of artworks across the city while learning the stories behind each piece, including their histories, artistic intentions, and the community responses they've inspired.This tour offers a glimpse into the diverse and ever-evolving public art landscape that helps shape Anchorage’s identity.

Free. Tour begins at the Anchorage Museum and covers four to eight miles; may not be suitable for all riders. Meet at 5 p.m., ride begins at 5:30 p.m. rain or shine. Bikes not provided. In partnership with [Bike Anchorage](https://www.bikeanchorage.org/).

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**Exhibition Tour: Cold War to the Cosmos**

11 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 13 & Aug. 27, *Third Floor, West Wing*

**Take a guided tour of** Cold War to the Cosmos: Distant Early Warning Systems and the Arctic **with an Anchorage Museum staff member.** This exhibition delves into the Arctic’s strategic importance during the Cold War, exploring how rising tensions and military brinkmanship between the United States and the Soviet Union shaped life in Alaska. No registration required; included with admission.

**Repair & Reuse: Chair Makeover**

6 - 8 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 13, *Seed Lab, 111 W. 6th Ave.*

From repairing damage to replacing seat cushions, learn tips and techniques from [Furnish Studio + Salvage](https://www.instagram.com/furnishstudioandsalvage) to transform that chair in need of TLC. Participants will work hands-on with selected pieces to try out painting techniques, seat cover makeovers and other refinishing methods. Workshop suitable for teens and adults. Materials provided. Free.

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# **CoLab-orations: Flower Pot Making** 5:30 - 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 19, *Discovery Center,* *CoLab*

Get ready for a fun, hands-on crafting session where you will transform simple rope and colorful scrap fabrics into an eco-friendly flower pot. Perfect for beginners and craft lovers alike. No experience necessary. Recommended for tweens, teens, and adults. $15 materials fee; includes museum admission.   
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Note: music and activities will move indoors if it rains, where museum admission applies.

**Teen Art Studio: “Tri” Something New**

6 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 20, *Discovery Center,* *Art Lab*

Calling all creative teens: paint, carve, collage, or even decoupage in this open-ended “Teen Art Studio.” Participants will tour the 2025 [Alaska Triennial](https://www.anchoragemuseum.org/exhibits/2025-alaska-triennial/) with museum staff to get inspired, then access fun materials provided by the museum to explore and try out new mediums.

All materials provided. $5 per registrant; museum admission not included. Scholarships available upon request. Email [programs@anchoragemuseum.org](mailto:programs@anchoragemuseum.org).

*Teen Art Studio is a series of creative materials explorations recommended for ages 13-20.*

**Bike Tour: Architecture**

5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 20, *Museum Lawn*

[Alaska Design Forum](https://alaskadesignforum.org/) partners with [Bike Anchorage](https://www.bikeanchorage.org/) and the Anchorage Museum for this tour of the architecture of downtown Anchorage and the surrounding neighborhood. This tour will cover 3-6 miles with frequent stops. Participants must provide their own bike. Rain or shine. Free.

**Lunch on the Lawn**

11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 21, *Museum Lawn*

We’re bringing live music and food trucks to you every Tuesday and Thursday afternoon. Lunch on the Lawn is our weekly live music series featuring local and national acts. Other activities include educational programming, community conversations, family-friendly games, and special artists' pop-ups. Weekly activities vary. This series is made possible, in part, with support from our sponsor TOTE. Free.

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**Lunch on the Lawn**

11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 26, *Museum Lawn*

We’re bringing live music and food trucks to you every Tuesday and Thursday afternoon. Lunch on the Lawn is our weekly live music series featuring local and national acts. Other activities include educational programming, community conversations, family-friendly games, and special artists' pop-ups. Weekly activities vary. This series is made possible, in part, with support from our sponsor TOTE. Free.

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**Teen Art Studio: Plein Air**

3 - 5 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 27, *Discovery Center, Art Lab*

Join museum staff for plein air painting. Derived from the French phrase "en plein air" meaning "in the open air," plein air painting is the practice of painting directly from life, outdoors, capturing the scene in front of the artist rather than in a studio.

All materials provided. $5 per registrant; museum admission is not required for this workshop. Scholarships available upon request. Email [programs@anchoragemuseum.org](mailto:programs@anchoragemuseum.org).

**Lunch on the Lawn**

11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 28, *Museum Lawn*

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###### THOMAS PLANETARIUM

**Aurora: Lights of Wonder**

12:30 p.m. daily, July 1 – 31, *Discovery Center, Thomas Planetarium*

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$6 plus museum admission; $3 for museum members.

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1:30 p.m. daily, July 1 – 31, *Discovery Center, Thomas Planetarium*

Observe Alaska’s iconic brown bears as they nurture cubs, fish for salmon, and play in their natural environment. This immersive, full-dome planetarium show plants you in the middle of the McNeil River State Game Sanctuary, where more than 100 brown bears congregate each summer to bulk up for the harsh winter. Learn how the bears’ remarkable intelligence and instincts help them survive in the Alaska wilderness.

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3:30 p.m. daily, July 1 – 31, *Discovery Center, Thomas Planetarium*

Take a journey to the remote wild places of Alaska to observe the iconic animals and landscapes that define the state. Meet Alaskans who seek to understand the impacts of climate change on these dynamic ecosystems and strive to protect an enduring way of life.

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**One Sky**

4:30 p.m. daily, July 1 – 31, *Discovery Center, Thomas Planetarium*

One Sky Project is an international collaboration focused on increasing understanding about cultural and Indigenous astronomy, its historical and modern applications, and how our One Sky connects us all. In this show, each of the seven short films represents the perspective of a different culture or Indigenous society from around the globe. The films are organized around themes of “Finding Patterns” and developing tools, or as the collaborators say, “To Seek Far”.

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**Rapid Space Shorts**

6:30, 7, 7:30, 8, 8:30 p.m. Friday, July 4, *Discovery Center, Thomas Planetarium*

These quick planetarium experiences range from constellation tours of the night sky and cruising around the solar system to learning about light and the aurora borealis.

Free; ticket required and available at the front desk after 6 p.m.

**Led Zeppelin Cosmic Light Show**

5:30 p.m. Friday, July 11, *Discovery Center, Thomas Planetarium*

Be transported by mood-altering art and graphics choreographed to Led Zeppelin’s biggest hits, including *Whole Lotta Love*, *Immigrant Song*, and *Ramble On*. This immersive experience plays out on the museum’s full-dome planetarium screen in concert with a state-of-the-art sound system.

$10, includes museum admission; $5 for museum members.

*Audience advisory: Adult subject matter. Recommended for ages 10 and up. This experience includes loud music, flashing lights, simulated motion, and other sensory-stimulating effects.*

**Pink Floyd: Dark Side of the Moon**

5:30 p.m. Friday, July 18, *Discovery Center, Thomas Planetarium*

Immerse yourself in Pink Floyd’s *Dark Side of the Moon*. This full-dome light and music show expands on the classic album through captivating HD graphics. It’s not a typical laser show but the next generation of computer-generated imagery.

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**Pink Floyd: The Wall**

5:30 p.m. Friday, July 25, *Discovery Center, Thomas Planetarium*

Lose yourself in Pink Floyd’s masterpiece *The Wall.* This full-dome light and music show interprets this classic album through mesmerizing HD graphics. It’s not a typical laser show but the next generation of computer-generated imagery.

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**Private Planetarium Experience**

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**Pink Floyd: Wish You Were Here**

5:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 15, *Discovery Center, Thomas Planetarium*

Lose yourself in Pink Floyd’s classic album *Wish You Were Here*. This full-dome light and music show interprets the acclaimed rock album through mesmerizing HD graphics. It’s not a typical laser show but the next generation of computer-generated imagery.

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**Pink Floyd: Dark Side of the Moon**

5:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 22, *Discovery Center, Thomas Planetarium*

Immerse yourself in Pink Floyd’s *Dark Side of the Moon*. This full-dome light and music show expands on the classic album through captivating HD graphics. It’s not a typical laser show but the next generation of computer-generated imagery.

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**Pink Floyd: The Wall**

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###### CURRENT EXHIBITIONS

***Our World, Our Responsibility***

*On view through September 2025, Education Hallway, First Floor, East Wing*  
The Anchorage Museum’s **Teen Climate Communicators** program is a year-long initiative empowering high school students to explore and express their responses to climate change through art and dialogue. Meeting weekly, teens engage with museum staff and guest speakers to learn about local climate action and build their voices as changemakers. Our World, Our Responsibility showcases the culmination of their work—an emotional and creative response to the climate crisis through zines, prints, poetry, journal entries, and more. Through this exhibition, the teens aim to inspire others to take meaningful action in their own communities.

**2025 Alaska Triennial**

*On view through Sept. 7, 2025,* *Brian E. Davies Chugach Gallery, Fourth Floor, West Wing*  
The Anchorage Museum has organized the Alaska Triennial for more than 30 years in various forms. It is a survey of art in Alaska that celebrates place through the lens of contemporary art and encourages the creation of new works by Alaska artists in a variety of media. The 2025 Alaska Triennial is juried by Mary Bradshaw, Yukon Arts Centre Director of Visual Arts.

***David Rosenthal: Painting at the End of the Ice Age***

*On view through* *Sept. 14, 2025,* *ConocoPhillips* *Arctic Gallery, Second Floor,* *West Wing*

*Painting at the End of the* *Ice Age* features landscape paintings by Cordova-based artist David Rosenthal. Rosenthal’s work documents retreating glacial ice and dramatic post-glacial landscapes observed during his 45-year painting career, a period coinciding with the final years of our current geologic Ice Age. Works are paired with text-based reflections from the artist as well as geologists, oceanographers, biologists and self-taught naturalists.

***Taylor Roades: Alaska’s Rust Rivers***

*On view through Oct. 9, 2025, South Hallway, Family Galleries, First Floor, East Wing*

In the remote western Brooks Range of Alaska, permafrost is thawing at an unprecedented rate and exposing the pyrite-rich bedrock to water and oxygen. As a result, rivers and tributaries now flow bright orange with oxidized iron and sulfuric acid. Canadian photographer Taylor Roades (b. 1990) captures this transformation through aerial and on-the-ground documentation.

***Nuestra Huella* (Our Footprint)**

*On view through Nov. 2, 2025*, *Second Floor, West Wing*

Organized by [Enlaces Alaska](https://www.enlacesak.org/), Nuestra Huella (Our Footprint) celebrates Alaska's Latinx history and culture. Through cultural belongings from museum collections, visitors will learn about traditions, beliefs and histories from Alaska-based Latinx communities.

***Arctic Sculpture: Ivory Carvings from the Anchorage Museum Collection***

*On view through January 2026, Atrium Mezzanine, Second Floor, East Wing*

Arctic Sculpture celebrates the connection between walrus and Alaska Native people who have skillfully carved and sculpted ivory for millennia. On view are varied examples of ivory forms from Inuit and Saint Lawrence Island Yupik cultures, including items made for leisure, trade, and tourism like cribbage boards and model ships, as well as original works of art. Visitors will appreciate intricate scrimshaw, as well as expertly carved figurines representing Arctic birds, marine mammals, humans, and the spirit realm.

**Roman Dial: Crossings**

*On view through Feb. 15, 2026, Atrium, First Floor, East Wing*

Roman Dial has been traversing Alaska’s peaks, tundra, and rivers since the 1970s, documenting his hiking, bicycling, boating, skiing, and ice-skating adventures through photographs. This exhibition presents these images, which record changing landscapes, equipment, and approaches to outdoor travel and commemorate some of Alaska’s most well-known characters in the mountaineering and backcountry world.

***Dog Show***

*On view through April 5, 2026, Patricia B. Wolf Family Galleries, First Floor, East Wing*

*Dog Show* is a celebration of human-dog relationships across geography and time. The exhibition considers the histories of dogs in the Circumpolar North, their importance to the lifeways and culture in the region, and the role of dogs in contemporary life across the US as pets, helpmates, and family members. Contemporary and historical artworks, cultural belongings, archival images, and ephemera from Canada, Greenland, Norway, and the Lower 48 showcase the ways dogs have shaped our place as well as our society, shedding light on the myriad ways we understand affective and relational bonds between people and animals. Family-friendly interactives, outdoor art installations and experiences, and robust programming will accompany the in-gallery experience of *Dog Show*.

***Cold War to the Cosmos: Distant Early Warning Systems and the Arctic***

*On view through Sept. 7, 2026, Third Floor, West Wing*

*Cold War to the Cosmos: Distant Early Warning Systems and the* Arctic examines the strategic significance of the Arctic during the Cold War, a period defined by intense rivalry between the United States and the Soviet Union. This atomic age saw the two nations rapidly advance their nuclear programs and exert influence around the world.

The Cold War had a broad impact on American society, the physical landscape, and the national desire to control and even militarize outer space. American politics, art, and culture also reflected the specter of global communism and fears of nuclear war and everything from Abstract Expressionism to Jazz were enlisted for propaganda.  Today’s global conflicts recall the heightened tensions and military brinksmanship of the Cold War. Competing political and religious philosophies, climate change, and a new space race to Mars prompt us to again consider the Cold War's legacy and Buckminster Fuller’s vision of "Spaceship Earth," where shared responsibility and collaboration are key to addressing contemporary issues and ensuring a sustainable future for all.

***Tricksters and Sourdoughs: Humor and Identity*** ***in*** ***Alaska***

*On view through* *Oct. 4, 2026,* *Northern Narratives Gallery, Second Floor,* *East Wing*

Tricksters and Sourdoughs examines the distinctive ways Alaskans use humor as a survival tool, coping mechanism and vehicle for creating and sharing culture. This exhibition considers laughter as a powerful means of resistance and social critique as well as release, affirmation and connection. Incorporating Alaska Native contemporary art, cartoons, ephemera, films, memes and other elements of Alaska pop culture, Tricksters and Sourdoughs offers a rich and varied portrait of Alaska identity by revealing what makes us chuckle, cringe and nod in recognition.

###### PERMANENT EXHIBITIONS

***Alaska Exhibition***

Alaska is a land of contrasts and extremes, a complex social and natural landscape that lends itself to myth and cliché. The *Alaska* exhibition tells the story of Alaska through multiple voices and perspectives, reflecting the ingenuity, technology, ways of knowing and intimate understanding of the landscape that have allowed people to survive and thrive across the North. The exhibition is organized by 13 themes reflecting essential aspects of life in Alaska, both today and throughout the state’s rich history. These themes reveal the identity of Alaska and its people. On view are more than 400 objects from the Anchorage Museum’s collections, including several acquired or on loan especially for this new exhibition. Visitors experience immersive installations throughout the exhibition with elements of sculpture, video, soundscapes, moving images and cinematic narratives with participative moments. The visitor journey follows an intuitive clockwise path that begins and ends at the same point. Visitors move forward in time, exploring themes and absorbing Alaska’s history as it relates to contemporary issues. At the heart of the gallery is a central space for hosting artists and performances, welcoming school groups, conducting readings, engaging in storytelling and gathering for events. A complementary gallery for temporary exhibitions related to Northern narratives is located next door. Together, these elements invite visitors to consider for themselves what Alaska really is – what is real, what is myth and what lives in that place in between.

***Art of the North***

The Art of the North galleries, located in the museum’s Rasmuson Wing, present the museum’s art collection from the perspectives of American art and an international North. Paintings, sculpture, photography, video and other media offer varied perceptions of the Northern landscape through historical and contemporary depictions of both land and people. These galleries deliver a compelling narrative for the North. Documentary works from expedition artists, Romantic landscapes by 19th and 20th century painters and works by contemporary artists for whom landscape reflects a place in transition are presented.

***Living Our Cultures, Sharing Our Heritage: The First Peoples of Alaska***

The Smithsonian Institution has loaned hundreds of Indigenous Alaska artifacts to their place of origin, allowing access for hands-on study by Alaska Native elders, artists and scholars and viewing by museum visitors. These cultural and historical treasures are exhibited in the Smithsonian Arctic Studies Center at the Anchorage Museum. The center’s main exhibition, *Living Our Cultures, Sharing Our Heritage: The First Peoples of Alaska*, features more than 600 objects from the Smithsonian’s collections that were selected and interpreted with help from Alaska Native advisers. The exhibition includes two multimedia installations: A video installation about contemporary Alaska Native life plays on seven large, flat-screen TVs, while a 3-D sound installation along the west wall immerses visitors in the Arctic through recordings of Alaska Native storytellers and soundscapes of Alaska’s environment. In addition to its gallery space, the 10,000-square-foot center encourages research about Alaska through an archaeology laboratory and a community room where Alaska Native Elders, artists, and scholars can study heritage objects up close. The [Arctic Studies Center](http://www.mnh.si.edu/arctic/), established in 1988, is a federal research and education program focusing on peoples, history, archaeology, and cultures across the circumpolar North. The center is part of the Smithsonian Institution’s National Museum of Natural History. In 1994, the center partnered with the Anchorage Museum to open an Anchorage office.

###### VISITOR INFORMATION AND MUSEUM HOURS

The Anchorage Museum’s mission is to be a museum for people, place, planet, and potential in service of a sustainable and equitable North, with creativity and imagination for what is possible.

**SUMMER HOURS (May – Sept)**

10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily, including holidays

Extended hours to 9 p.m. First Fridays

**WINTER HOURS (Oct – April)**

10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday

Noon to 6 p.m. Sunday

Closed Mondays

Extended hours to 9 p.m. Fridays

\*Hours subject to change; check anchoragemuseum.org/visit

**FREE FIRST FRIDAYS**

Enjoy free admission from 6-9 p.m. on the first Friday of each month.

**BANK OF AMERICA MUSEUMS ON US**

Bank of America cardholders with credit or debit cards and photo ID enjoy one free museum general admission on the first Saturday and Sunday of every month. Special exhibition fees still apply. On this day, Bank of America cardholders also receive a 10% discount on Anchorage Museum Store purchases. No other discounts apply.

**ONSITE PARKING**

Public parking is available in the underground garage as space allows. Parking fees are paid at the garage pay box.

**SPECIAL ASSISTANCE**

Visitors with disabilities who need special assistance may call 907-929-9254.

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