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Alaska State Museum Promotes Jackie Manning as New Curator of Exhibitions

JUNEAU – Throughout her childhood Jackie Manning’s family spent hours at a time visiting the Alaska State Museum. Now, two decades later, she becomes its new Curator of Exhibitions.

Manning takes over the position from Paul Gardinier, who retired earlier this summer. In her new capacity, she will oversee the museum’s temporary exhibition schedule as well as maintain and upgrade its permanent installations. Manning stands well-suited for the position after working with Gardinier for the past two years as Exhibitions Specialist, performing various graphical and installation duties. She, prior to her employment at the museum, had her own solo artist exhibit, “Ghost in the Graveyard,” which ran Nov. 2010 through Jan. 2011 at the State Museum.

Born and raised in Juneau, Manning earned a Bachelor of Arts from University of Alaska Southeast and a Master of Fine Arts in drawing and painting from the Academy of Art in San Francisco. She has also taught painting and drawing classes at the Canvas Community Art Studio and Gallery.

Her first day as Curator of Exhibitions was Aug. 1.

Summer hours at the museum are 8:30 to 5:30 daily. Summer admission is \$7 with a \$1 discount for age 65 and older. Visitors 18 and under are admitted free of charge. An annual pass that allows unlimited visits to the Alaska State Museum and the Sheldon Jackson Museum in Sitka is available for \$15. Assistance is available for visitors with special needs. Please contact Visitor Services at 465-2901 before the visit.

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