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Press Release

ALASKA STATE MUSEUM

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FAMILIES INVITED TO EXPLORE ART WITH LOCAL PAINTERS AT ALASKA STATE MUSEUM

Kids and families can explore the world of paint under the guidance of several of Juneau's outstanding artists during an art workshop Saturday afternoon, November 7, from noon to 3 p.m. at the Alaska State Museum. A variety of activity centers and art activities designed for youth in grades K-8 will encourage family members to try painting and color techniques and styles.

Local artists Dan Fruits, Jane Stokes, Jim Heumann, Barbara Craver, and Cristine Crooks, assisted by museum staff, will host the art centers. The workshop is free.

The workshop is one of an ongoing series developed by the museum to coordinate with its featured exhibitions of Alaska artists. The art activity is funded in part by the citizens of the City and Borough of Juneau through sales tax revenue and is sponsored by The Friends of the Alaska State Museum and Plein Rein Painters.

Hours at the museum are 10 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday. Admission is \$3. 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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