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Press Release

ALASKA STATE MUSEUM

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ARTIST SHOWS IN FINAL WEEK AT STATE MUSEUM

Two solo exhibitions of work by award-winning Anchorage artists are entering their final week at the Alaska State Museum. Evocative black and white photographs by Beverly Cover, and fish skin and mixed-media baskets by Fran Reed will be on display through Saturday, November 24.

Reed has established a national reputation for her basket shapes and other sculptural forms made from fish skins, gut, sticks and other gathered materials. Her creations call to mind Native Alaskan subsistence use of these resources, while at the same time they function as contemporary art objects.

Entering Into is the title of photographer Beverly Cover's exhibit. The artist works in traditional black and white, darkroom-based photography and has garnered numerous awards for her efforts in Alaska art exhibitions in recent years, including the top award in the Alaska Positive photography exhibition in 2000.

The Alaska State Museum is located at 395 Whittier Street. Winter hours at the museum are 10 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. The museum will be closed Thursday, Thanksgiving Day. Winter 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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