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Public Invited to Discuss the Significance of the Alaska State Museum Building

The public and media are invited to join the State Historic Preservation Office and the Library Archives Museum Project team to discuss the history and significance of the existing Alaska State Museum building.

The meeting will be held from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Monday, November 15 at the Gallery Space in the Juneau Arts and Culture Center at 350 Whittier Street.

The Library Archives Museum Project will result in a joint facility in Juneau for the state libraries, archives and museums. The current facilities are overcrowded, and some are in disrepair.

In 2002, the Legislature appropriated \$1.5 million to buy a 1.58-acre vacant lot in Juneau next to the Alaska State Museum. In 2006, the Legislature granted \$1.4 million for pre-planning and a needs assessment. In 2008, the Legislature appropriated \$7.5 million for architectural design of the LAM project. That work is ongoing.

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