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ALASKA STATE MUSEUM

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ENCAUSTIC PAINTING WORKSHOP FOR STUDENTS AT ALASKA STATE MUSEUM

JUNEAU – Guest artist Nancy Burnham will host an encaustic painting workshop exclusively for high school and middle school students in grades 7 – 12 this Saturday, January 18, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Alaska State Museum. The workshop is free, but please call the museum at 465-2901 to pre-register.

Encaustic painting uses hot pigmented beeswax as the art medium painted on wood blocks or canvas. Burnham incorporates small objects such as porcupine quills, leaves, fabric, and threads to create textures and patterns in the layers of her rich, translucent, wax artwork. During the workshop, students will have the opportunity to experiment with encaustic painting using these same materials as well as view Nancy Burnham's work with encaustic paints currently on display at the museum.

This workshop is the last in the 2013-14 series of student art activities sponsored by the Friends of the Alaska State Museum with funding in part from the City and Borough of Juneau through sales tax revenue. The museum will be closing the end of February for continued construction of the new State Library, Archives and Museum facility. However, admission is free and new exhibits will be on display through February 28. Museum hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

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