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Alaska's First Photographs featured First Friday

JUNEAU – June First Friday gallery walk will feature an in-depth look at Alaska's territorial photography at the Alaska State Museum on June 3 from 4 to 7 p.m. The Friends of the Alaska State Museum will sponsor a reception with free ice cream for attendees.

Ron Klein and James Simard, co-curators of "Capturing New Frontier: The First Years of Alaskan Photography," will be present to facilitate a walkthrough of the exhibit at 5:30 p.m. Klein is a professional photographer and James Simard is head of historical collections for the Alaska State Library.

The exhibit features Alaska's territorial history through rare photographs including original gold-toned albumen prints and modern large-scale enlargements. Also on display at the museum is "Just Old Hats: Headgear in Alaska History."

Summer hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. daily and the admission is \$5. 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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