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Alaska Positive 2016
Nov. 4, 2016 – Jan. 21, 2017
Opening Reception: Friday, November 4, 4:30 – 7:00

Juneau – Now in its 46th year, *Alaska Positive* is a juried photo exhibit – a biennial series meant to encourage photography as an art form in the state. *Alaska Positive* will be on exhibit at the Alaska State Museum from November 4, 2016 through January 21, 2017. A statewide tour follows.

The juror for *Alaska Positive* was Larry McNeil, an internationally known photographer from Juneau, who is the Professor of Photography at Boise State University. He selected 35 photographs by 28 photographers for the exhibit. Overall, 67 Alaska photographers submitted 248 photographs for the competition.

The top award, the Juror's Choice, went to Chris Miller of Juneau for the photograph titled *Mendenhall Moulin*. Awards of Recognition went to Cody Swanson from Anchorage for *Midsagittal Lovers*, and Deborah Tharp of Anchorage for *The Time Keeper's Ledger*. These awards are sponsored by the Friends of the Alaska State Library, Archives, and Museum.

In addition, four other photographers were given Honorable Mentions. They are: Tim Remick, Anchorage; O'Hara Shipe, Anchorage; Dennis Walworth, Anchorage; and Dean Cully, Anchorage.

To watch a recording of juror Larry McNeil's lecture online, visit the Alaska Division of Libraries, Archives and Museums' YouTube page: <https://youtu.be/14RBERYSpAA>.

Winter hours at the museum are Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Discounted winter admission is \$5, with those age 18 and under admitted free. An annual pass that allows unlimited visits to the Alaska State Museum and the Sheldon Jackson Museum in Sitka is available for \$25. Assistance is available for visitors who have special needs. Please contact visitor services at 465-2901 before the visit.

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