



FRIENDS OF THE SHELDON JACKSON MUSEUM WINTER LECTURE SERIES

The Friends of the Sheldon Jackson Museum announce the start of the Museum Winter Lecture Series this month. The series features noted researchers and artists discussing topics related to the museum's collections. All events in this series take place in the museum gallery and are free and open to the public. All lectures will begin at 1 PM.

The Winter Lecture Series kicks off on January 21st with a talk by Dr. Sven Haakanson, the Executive Director of the Alutiiq Museum and Archaeological Repository in Kodiak, Alaska. Dr. Haakanson will discuss his work studying Alutiiq collections held in museums around the world and its relevance for Alutiiq communities today. This lecture will follow the Friends of the Sheldon Jackson Museum's brief annual meeting.

On February 4th Sitka based Tlingit-Aleut artist, Nicholas Galanin, will discuss his work and inspiration. Galanin is a multimedia artist who produces sculpture, jewelry, photography, music and conceptual art projects.

On March 10th Amy Chan, a doctoral candidate from Arizona State University and doctoral fellow at the Smithsonian's Arctic Studies Center in Washington, D.C., will discuss her studies of engraved narratives on Inupiat ivory carvings based on museum collection's research and fieldwork in Alaska.

A lecture by Tlingit weaver Teri Rofkar will close the lecture series on March 31st. Her talk "Partnerships in Understanding: Materials Characterization and Condition Assessment of Tlingit Spruce Root Baskets at the National Museum of the American Indian," discusses her ongoing collaboration with the conservation staff at the Smithsonian Institution to better care for and understand Tlingit spruce root basketry.

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