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## Press Release

SHELDON JACKSON MUSEUM

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### **Sinew Spinning Class Offered at the Sheldon Jackson Museum**

SITKA – As part of a grant from the Alaska Humanities Forum and the Smithsonian National Museum of the American Indian, the Sheldon Jackson Museum is hosting a series of artist residencies by Alaska Native artists from around the state. During these residencies, participating artists will study the collection and share their work with the public through artist demonstrations, workshops or lectures. The first visiting artist is Alutiiq carver, weaver and textile artist Coral Chernoff from Kodiak, Alaska. Coral will be at the museum May 8, 9, and 10, and will focus her study on gut and fish skin objects. On May 9, Coral will offer a sinew thread making workshop from 4 – 6 p.m. in the museum gallery. The cost of this workshop is \$20 per person (materials are included). Please call the Sheldon Jackson Museum to register at 907.747.8904.

Winter hours at the museum run through May 12 and are Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., with a discounted \$3 winter admission. Summer hours begin May 13 and are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. Summer admission is \$5. Visitors 18 and younger, Friends of the Sheldon Jackson Museum, and those with passes are admitted free of charge.

#### **FOR MORE INFORMATION:**

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