



Friends of Sheldon Jackson Museum

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Mission Statement: The Friends of the Sheldon Jackson Museum is dedicated to supporting the Sheldon Jackson Museum and its unique Alaska Native ethnographic collection through advocacy, acquisition and educational programming.

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Demientieff Lecture at Sheldon Jackson Museum

The Friends of the Sheldon Jackson Museum will host Athabascan artist Daisy Demientieff at the museum on September 1st, 3rd through 5th, and 7th. Demientieff will be working in the galleries most mornings from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. She will give a lecture entitled, "My Mother's Legacy" about her work and her mother's influence on her on Thursday, Sept. 5th at 3:00 p.m.

Demientieff was born near Anvik on the Yukon River and raised in Holikachuk. She has been the Cook Inlet Region Inc. (CIRI) elder of the year twice and has been a featured artist at the Smithsonian's annual Folklife Festival. She is one of only three people alive today who is able to make willow root baskets. She resides in Anchorage and the museum is pleased to welcome her back to Sitka.

The artist residency program is made possible with support from National Endowment for the Arts.

Summer hours at the Sheldon Jackson Museum run through September 14th and are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. The museum is closed on holidays. Summer admission is \$5 for adults and \$4 for seniors. Visitors 18 and under are admitted free of charge. An annual pass that allows unlimited visits to the Sheldon Jackson Museum in Sitka and the Alaska State Museum in Juneau is available for \$15. Assistance is available for visitors with special needs. Please contact the museum for more information at 907.747.8981.

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