

EXPLORE the UA Museum of the North!

GALLERIES

UAMN exhibits showcase Alaska's past and present. Explore galleries throughout the building. Please note student capacities for each space and plan a rotation schedule.

Gallery of Alaska

Capacity: 45 students

Overview of Alaska's five geographic regions with exhibits showcasing the people, wildlife, geography, and history.

Rose Berry Alaska Art Gallery

Capacity: 30 students

Explore 2,000 years of Alaska art from ancient ivory carvings to contemporary sculpture.

Special Exhibit

Capacity: 16 students

Thinking Made Visible

Through April 27, 2025

See hundreds of sketches by Alaskans of all ages. Create art and discover the benefits of sketching – for everyone.

Collections Gallery

Capacity: 16 students

Expedition Alaska: Adventures in Museum Science

Explore the connection between collections and science.



Contact us

**UAMN Education
& Public Programs**

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www.uaf.edu/museum

PLANNING GUIDE

MAKE A RESERVATION

Directed Discoveries are offered by allotment. Talk to your school administrator to see how your school's allotments are allocated.

If selected, call 907-474-5602 or request online at bit.ly/directeddiscovery on December 17, 2024.

You may also call to be added to a wait list. Unused allotments are released to the wait list on January 10, 2024.

Exhibit Explorations may be scheduled throughout the semester. Schedule at least one week in advance.

Online Exhibit Exploration reservation requests: bit.ly/uamnfieldtrips



Check your email for a confirmation letter and program information.

Book your bus, recruit chaperones, review rules, and prepare students for their visit.



Payment due upon arrival. A purchase order (PO),* credit card, cash, or check is accepted.

*Obtain a PO number before the tour and provide it when you arrive.



Fill the bus! Directed Discoveries and Exhibit Explorations may be scheduled concurrently in different gallery spaces.

Field trip fees apply. Advance reservations required.



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MUSEUM OF THE NORTH

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SCHOOL PROGRAMS

SPRING 2025



EXPLORE DISCOVER LEARN



UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA

MUSEUM OF THE NORTH



DIRECTED DISCOVERY

DOCENT-GUIDED

K-6

Docents guide student explorations and activities centered on museum research and collections.

Directed Discoveries are allotted to local schools. See your administrator for details.

Available: Tuesday - Thursday
All tours begin at 10:00 AM
Schedule on call-in day: December 17, 2024.

Maximum: 30 students (15 students minimum).
Chaperones required.

Cost: \$4 per student

Choose a Directed Discovery topic based on grade-specific curriculum.

GRADES K - 1 ⌚ 1 hour

GRADES 2 - 6 ⌚ 1.5 hours

ALASKA NATIVE CULTURES

Discover and explore in the Gallery of Alaska.

- K-1** Develop awareness of the cultural diversity of our state through objects and gallery explorations.
- 2-3** Explore Alaska Native cultures, experience fish camp, and learn about cultural traditions and seasonal activities in Alaska's Interior.
- 4-6** Examine cultural connections to regional resources and take part in a trade game to learn about bartering traditions.

MUSEUM SCIENCE

Discover how museum collections teach us about our world.

- K-1** Find animals in the Gallery of Alaska while practicing observation and comparison.
- 2-3** Apply skills of sorting and classification and learn why they are important to science.
- 4-6** Examine and compare skulls to learn about animal characteristics and adaptations.

EXPLORING ART SPECIAL

Discover the art gallery and special exhibit. Sketch and create.

- K-6** Tour the *Thinking Made Visible* special exhibit and the Rose Berry Alaska Art Gallery. Practice journaling and hands-on art activities.

ADD-ONS *Advance reservations required.*

GALLERY EXPLORATION Free

Schedule 20-30 extra minutes after your Directed Discovery to lead your students through another of the museum's galleries.



EXHIBIT EXPLORATION

SELF-GUIDED

preK-12

Bring your students to the museum to learn about our state's history, animals, art, and Alaska Native cultures.

Focus time in one gallery or plan a rotation schedule to visit them all. Make reservations throughout the semester and explore at your own pace.

Available: Monday - Friday 9 AM - 5 PM
Advance reservations required.
Schedule throughout the school year.

Maximum: 60 students. *Chaperones required.*

Cost: \$4 per student

ADD-ONS *Advance reservations required.*

Ask about our preschool offerings!

SPECIAL EXHIBIT Free


Thinking Made Visible Through April 27, 2025

MOVIES

Dynamic Aurora

Expedition Alaska: Dinosaurs

Arctic Currents: A Year in the Life of a Bowhead Whale

Previews and schedule: bit.ly/moviesatuamn 

WHALE LAB

K-6

Explore whales in a docent-led experience. See bowhead and beluga whale skeletons and various skulls. Discover cultural connections to whales, explore whale adaptations, and make your own paper bowhead skeleton.

Available: Mondays at 10:00AM (1.5 hours)
First come, first-served.

Maximum: 30 students (15 student minimum)

Cost: \$50 per class + school tour admission (\$4 per student)



Field Trip info
bit.ly/uamnfieldtrips



Gallery activities
bit.ly/uamnactivities

Virtual Museum
www.uaf.edu/museum/virtualmuseum