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Museum Hours

Winter (August 22 – May 21). 10 AM – 5:30 PM Daily
 Summer (May 22 – August 20) 9 AM – 7 PM Daily

For more information on upcoming exhibits and events, visit us online at museum.uaf.edu.


Museum Membership

Museum members receive, among other benefits, free museum admission and enrollment in the UAMN Curiosity Club for kids. Join now at the admissions desk or online – bit.ly/uamnjoin.

About the Museum

The Alaska Territorial Legislature included a museum in the charter for the University of Alaska in 1917, making the University of Alaska Museum of the North a part of the university system from the very beginning. The museum offered its first exhibit in 1929 – a collection of ethnographic, archaeological, and paleontological material collected by local naturalist Otto Geist along with the university's small collection of paintings.

Over the years, the museum collections grew through field acquisitions, donations, and the transfer of collections from other institutions. Today, the museum is the premier repository for artifacts and specimens collected in Alaska and a leader in northern natural and cultural history research. The museum's exhibits and public programs enrich the lives of community members and visitors alike.

 The University of Alaska Museum of the North is a wheelchair accessible facility. Designated parking is available near the museum entrance. Ask about our other accessibility features.

The museum's exhibits and programs are supported by



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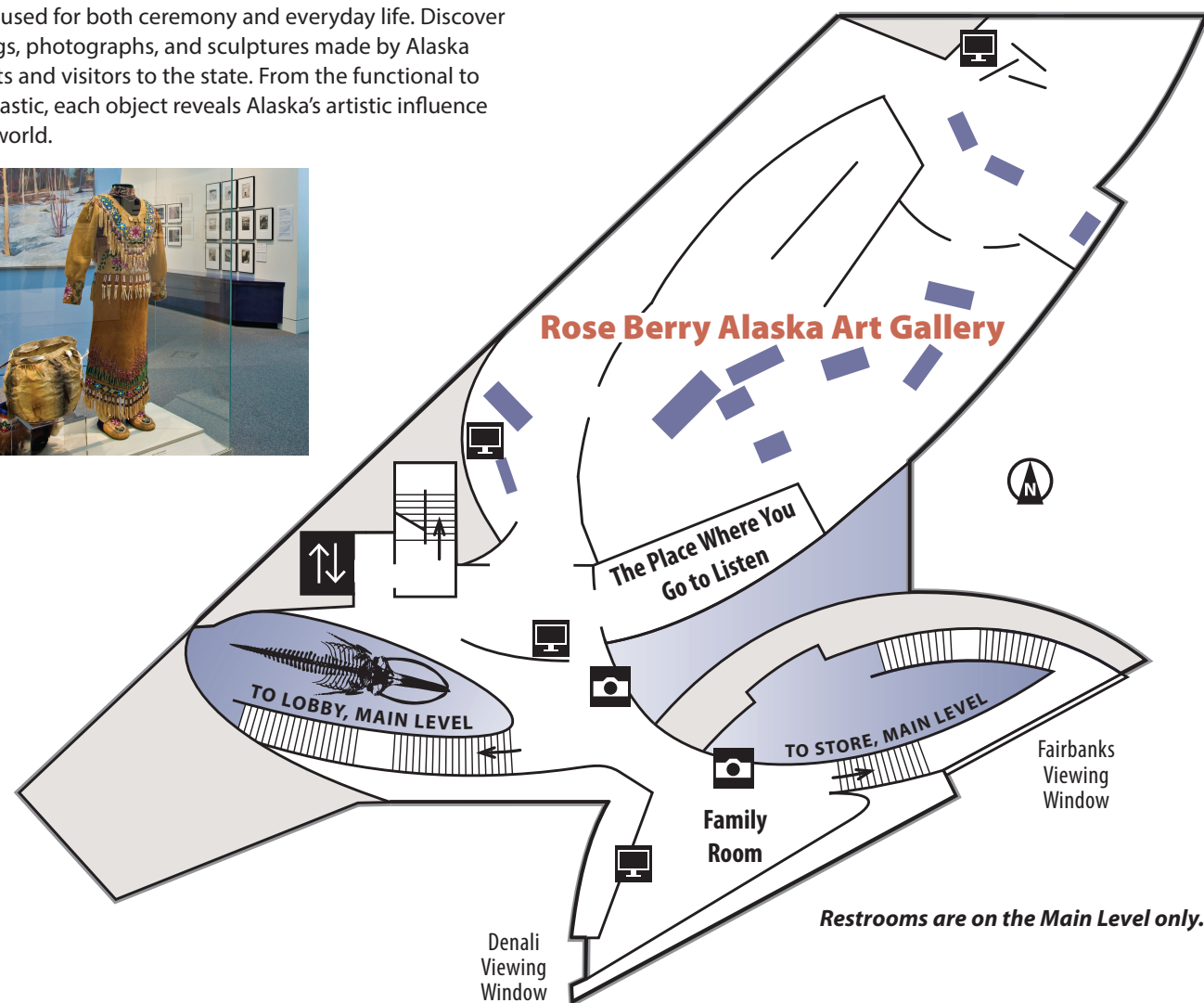
Upper Level

Rose Berry Alaska Art Gallery

Explore 2,000 years of Alaska art, from the traditional to the modern. Examine ancient ivory carvings and Alaska Native objects used for both ceremony and everyday life. Discover paintings, photographs, and sculptures made by Alaska residents and visitors to the state. From the functional to the fantastic, each object reveals Alaska's artistic influence on the world.



Patricia Fisher/Fisher Photography



The Place Where You Go to Listen

The Place Where You Go to Listen is a unique sound and light environment created by Grammy and Pulitzer Prize-winning composer John Luther Adams. This ever-changing musical ecosystem gives voice to the rhythms of daylight and darkness, the phases of the moon, the seismic vibrations of the earth, and the dance of the aurora borealis.



"A model for 21st century art and anthropological museums."
 —National Endowment for the Humanities

Family Room

For kids of all ages. Relax, browse our collection of books and maps, and investigate hands-on activities from previous exhibits and public programs.



Visitors' Guide & Gallery Map



Welcome to the University of Alaska Museum of the North

Immerse yourself in Alaska’s diverse wildlife, people, and lands. This gallery map will help you find your way around the museum.

Main Level

- Gallery of Alaska
- Arnold Espe Auditorium
- Special Exhibits and Collections Galleries
- Museum Store
- Café
- Creativity Lab

Upper Level (see reverse)

- Rose Berry Alaska Art Gallery
- The Place Where You Go to Listen
- Family Room
- Bowhead Whale Exhibit

Thank you and enjoy your visit.

Please note:

For the safety of other visitors and to protect the exhibits, please observe these guidelines:

-  No smoking or pets are allowed in the museum.
-  Photography and video recording are permitted for personal, non-commercial use only.
-  Touch only those exhibits with the “Please Touch” icon. Dirt and oils from our skin can damage the exhibits.
-  No food or beverages in the galleries.

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Main Level

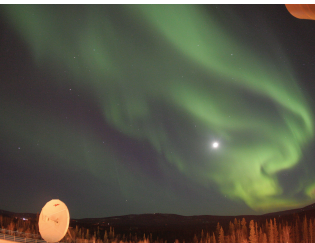
Gallery of Alaska



Our cultural and natural history gallery explores Alaska’s five geographic regions through a selection of the museum’s 2.5 million objects and artifacts. Learn about the people, wildlife, geography, and the history of each region.

From natural history to recorded history, explore Alaska through the objects in our collections.

Arnold Espe Auditorium



The museum offers *Dynamic Aurora*, *Arctic Currents*, and *Expedition Alaska: Dinosaurs* several times daily. Movie passes are available at the Admissions Desk.

Special Exhibits and Collections Galleries



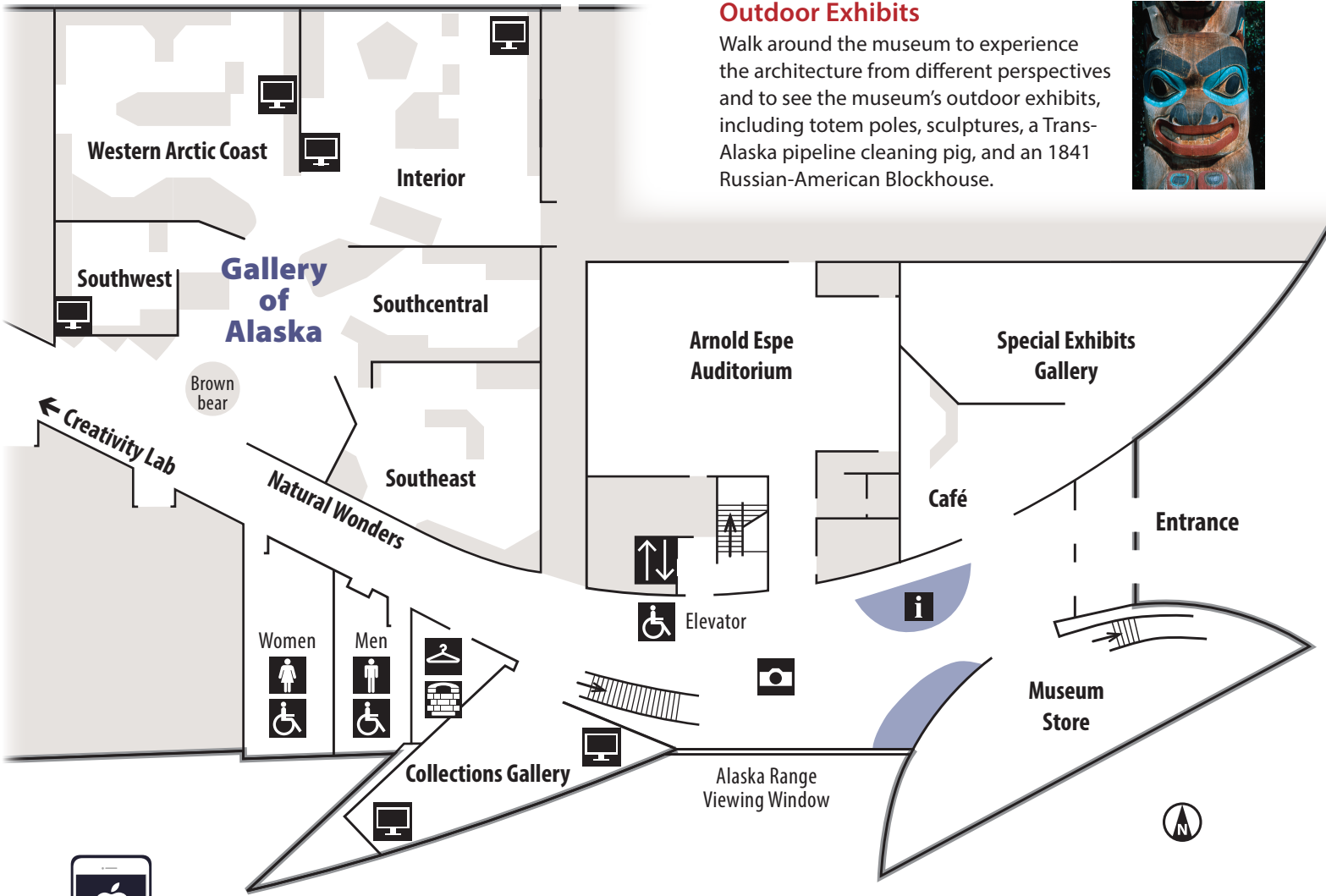
These galleries explore the art, culture, history, and science of Alaska. They highlight the recent adventures of museum and university researchers, whether prying apart driftwood on an active Aleutian volcano, or observing marmot behavior high on Alaska’s tundra.

Museum Store



Shop for a wide variety of handmade Alaska Native art, books, jewelry, stationery, decor, and other fine Alaskan gifts. Proceeds support the museum’s exhibits, research, and education programs. Browse inventory online at shop.museum.uaf.edu

If you have any questions or need assistance, please ask a Museum Attendant at the Admissions Desk.



Outdoor Exhibits

Walk around the museum to experience the architecture from different perspectives and to see the museum’s outdoor exhibits, including totem poles, sculptures, a Trans-Alaska pipeline cleaning pig, and an 1841 Russian-American Blockhouse.










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