



## Cama'i – Hello,

We are seeing progress! The new Alutiiq Museum is taking shape. The foundation for our addition has been poured and our contractors are installing compacting shelving in our new vault. In July we'll move the collection into this wonderful space. Then our public spaces on the first floor will start to take shape. Stay tuned for updates. If you'd like to contribute to the museum renovation, there is still time to give. Visit the [renovation page](#) of our website to see our [list of supporters](#), make a [donation](#), and add a name to our honor wall.

### Add to the Honor Wall



[Purchase a Tile](#)

Is there a culture bearer in your life—a family member, Elder, or mentor who has deepened your connection to the Alutiiq world? Honor this person by adding their name to the Alutiiq Museum. One wall of our new lobby will feature a tile display of supporters. You can add your name to a tile, or the name of a person, family, boat, business, or organization you would like to honor. To purchase a tile, donate and share the acknowledgment you'd like. [Learn More.](#)

### First Friday with Kathy Johnson



Salmon mosaics by Kathy Johnson

[Museum Events](#)

Meet Alutiiq artist Kathy Johnson and see examples of her glass creations. Free to the public. All are welcome

**Friday, May 3, 5:00-7:00 pm**  
Alutiiq Museum Store  
Downtown Marketplace  
111 West Rezanof Drive

Contact [Samantha Heglin](#), 844-425-8844, for more information.

### Our Ancestors



In 1818 Russian artist Mikhail Tikhonov painted 11 portraits of Kodiak Alutiiq/Sugpiaq ancestors. In 2024, artist Cheryl Lacy reinterpreted the historic images. She combined multiple views of the same person into one, painted the portraits with vivid colors, and added background from the person's home. The result is a stunning set of paintings that are now part of the museum's holdings—purchased with a grant from Museums Alaska funded by Rasmuson Foundation.

Painting: Chief Nankok of Kodiak, Watercolor painting by Cheryl Lacy, 2024, AM1075.

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### Results!

The finds from last summer's surveys and excavations are now available in online presentations. Visit our [website](#) or [Vimeo channel](#) to learn about Kodiak archaeology and Alutiiq history.



[Karluk Lake](#)



[Santa Flavia Bay](#)



[Tugidak](#)

### Preserve the Past



**Kodiak Archaeology:**  
A Guide to Sites, Artifacts, and Historic Preservation



The Kodiak Archipelago has more than 2,400 archaeological sites. This rich record documents over 7,500 years of history, particularly the activities of Alutiiq ancestors. Because sites are common, people often encounter them. This booklet introduces Kodiak archaeology. It describes common finds and explains the laws that protect sites and their contents.

What should you do if you discover a site or an artifact? Download this booklet to learn how you can help to protect Alaska's heritage.

[Booklet](#)

### Father's Day



Find special gifts for dads, grandpas, step dads, god fathers, and all the important men in your life at the museum store. We have a wide selection of gifts.

**Alutiiq Museum Store**  
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Photo: Mug and ceramic dish by Sue Baker of Clay Creek Pottery; salmon skin wallet by Lulu Larsen, ulu with ivory handle by Willard Church.

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*The Alutiiq Museum is a non-profit organization dedicated to preserving and sharing the heritage and living culture of the Alutiiq, an Alaska Native tribal people. Representatives of Kodiak Alutiiq organizations govern the museum with funding from charitable contributions, memberships, grants, contracts, and sales.*

