



International Association for Bear Research & Management Conference

“Bears of the World” 2016 It's not just for scientists!

Join Us!

Dena'ina Center, 600 W 7th Ave,
Downtown Anchorage

June 13, 14, & 15

Free and open to the public



Kick-off Event: “Bear Stories at the Bear Tooth”

Thursday, June 9, Time 8:30 PM:

Come enjoy seven great bear tales told by bear professionals and members of the public. Hosted by IBA with help from Arctic Entries volunteers and Bear Tooth Theatrepub; music by Todd Grebe & Cold Country.

Tickets go on sale Tuesday, May 24, at 10:30 am via Bear Tooth;
www.beartooththeatre.net.

Brush up on Bear Safety

Monday, June 13 through Wednesday, June 15

Delaney Park Strip, 9th Ave. Downtown Anchorage

- **Bear Spray Demonstration and Training:** Presented by National Outdoor Leadership School, 5:30 – 6:30 pm

Dena'ina Center, 2nd Floor

- **Bear Books For Sale:** 5:30 - 9:00 pm
- **Bear Aware Information Table & Kids Bear Country Passport Game:** 5:30 - 7:00 pm
- **Electric Fence Setup Demonstration:** 5:30 - 7:00 pm
- **Bear Aware Clinic:** Learn the basics of bear safety from Anchorage Bear Committee educators, 2:00 - 3:00 pm, **Tuesday, June 14 Only**



Engaging Public Lectures on Bears 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Monday, June 13: Third Floor, Dena'ina Center

- Richard Nelson: Cultural anthropologist, 7:00 pm
"The Black Bear Knows Way More than You Do: Koyukon Indian Teachings about the Natural World"
- Steve Amstrup: Chief scientist, Polar Bears International, 8:00 pm
"From Bears to People, Connecting the Dots on Climate Change"

Tuesday, June 14: Second Floor, Dena'ina Center

- Dan Bigley: Survivor of bear attack and author, 7:00 pm
"Beyond the Bear: How I Learned to Live and Love Again After Being Blinded by a Bear"
- John Hechtel: Retired bear biologist, 8:00 pm
"Bear Attacks in Alaska: 35 Years Worth of Incidents and Insights"

Wednesday, June 15: Second Floor, Dena'ina Center

- Dave Garshelis: Wildlife Research Scientist from Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, 7:00 pm
"The Four Least Known Bears of the World: What Have We Learned to Help Save Them?"
- Hui Wan: International Panda Bear Researcher, 7:40 pm
"The Comprehensive Approach by World Wildlife Fund to Tackle the Top Challenge of Wild Panda Protection"
- Todd Atwood: Project Leader, U.S. Geological Survey Polar Bear Research Program, 8:20 pm
"Altered States: Rapid Environmental Change and Fast Food Modify the Behavior of Polar Bears from Alaska's Southern Beaufort Sea"



Science & Art throughout the Summer

Parade of Bears, Anchorage - A Public Art Display:

The Anchorage Downtown Partnership brings Anchorage the "Parade of Bears." Look for these artistically-decorated bears to start appearing around Anchorage businesses in June. Maps to locate the bears will be provided by Visit Anchorage. www.anchorage.net.

International Gallery of Contemporary Art, Anchorage, Alaska:

This contemporary gallery, located at 427 D Street downtown Anchorage, is hosting a special show of bear-inspired art throughout the month of June. www.igcaalaska.org.

Anchorage Museum, Anchorage, Alaska: The museum's family-friendly "Near the Bear" exhibit shows through July 4, and explores the "Arctic" and how it comes from a Greek word meaning "near the bear." Admission fee. www.anchagemuseum.org.

Pratt Museum, Homer: The Pratt Museum in Homer is hosting, "Art and Science of Bears," a special exhibit on bears from May 6 through July 31. Admission fee. www.prattmuseum.org/exhibits/bears.

For More Information on Public Lectures:

<http://IBA2016.com>

