



PRATT

MUSEUM
& PARK



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Connecting Community, Strengthening Relationships

Connecting community and strengthening relationships between people and place has always been at the heart of the Pratt Museum & Park. Over fifty years ago, the Pratt began as the Homer Society for Natural History, a forum for community members to gather and share their passion for the science, cultures and art of the Kachemak Bay region. Eventually, a museum was built and from this vibrant gathering place, Kachemak Bay's history has been studied, documented, preserved and most importantly shared with thousands of students, residents and visitors from across Alaska and around the world.

Today, the Pratt's collections include over 24,000 objects, specimens, artifacts, works of art and more. Our outdoor botanical exhibits and trails provide living examples of the biodiversity on which the region depends economically, culturally and biologically; as well as spaces for education, recreation and quiet contemplation. Our exhibitions and programs reflect the community's interest in its past, as well as a desire to shape the future through deeper understanding.

Thank you to our members, volunteers, partners, friends and visitors for the essential ingredients of time, money and love. For decades before and hopefully for decades more to come, you are the lifeblood of this community's museum.



SPECIAL EXHIBITS

The Pratt mounted seven special exhibits in 2022 that explored the science, art and cultures of the Kachemak Bay region. The Pratt was honored to serve as the opening venue for three of these exhibits which will now travel in the coming years to museums and cultural venues across Alaska and the lower 48.

Native Ways in Changing Times, photographs of Port Graham and Nanwalek by Lisa Williams

Portraits of Community: Homer's Nutcracker, photographs by Rafael de la Uz

Moveable Feast, Kachemak Bay as a critical place for migrating birds, curated by Marilyn Sigman

Painting at the End of an Ice Age, an art and science exhibit by David Rosenthal

Homer World Arts Festival Protection, Adaptation and Resistance, Alaska Native artists explore themes of land, culture, justice and resilience. Curated by Asia Freeman.

Salmon Culture, How salmon have nourished and shaped Indigenous Alaskans physically, spiritually and artistically; and shaped the culture, economy and ecology of Kachemak Bay. Curated by Nadia Jackinsky-Sethi and Carla Kliniker Cope

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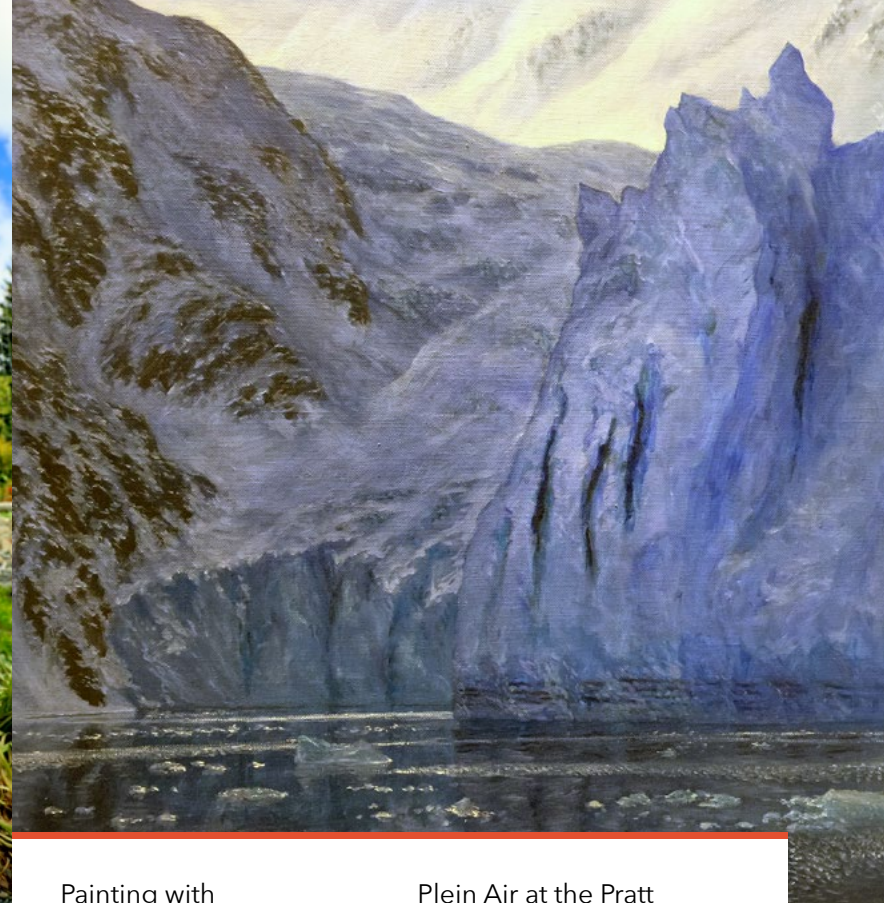
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PROGRAMS/WORKSHOPS

In 2022, the Pratt offered an array of free monthly programming and guided visits for area school groups, members and visitors, as well as, low cost special workshops with visiting artists and presenters. Educational programming and workshops are designed to engage participants through the Pratt's permanent, botanical and special exhibits to foster an understanding of people and place. Pratt events also create meaningful gathering opportunities that help foster community relationships.



Painting with
David Rosenthal

Working with Edible
and Medicinal Plants

Cultivating Wild Plants

Basket Art Weaving

Seed Saving and
Propagation

Mushroom Identification
and Sketching

Sherwood, a theatrical
production by Pier One
Theater

Plein Air at the Pratt

Long-term Relationships
Among the Winged Whales
of Prince William Sound

Connecting Cultures Across
the Pacific: Humpback
Whales—Bringing the Aloha
from Kona to Kachemak Bay

Pratt Glacier Salon featuring
the Glacier Salon Quartet

Homer Harbor History Tours

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First Fridays

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FINANCIALS

The Pratt is supported by a long-standing and generous membership that has been its core for over 50 years. Additional annual support comes from the City of Homer, foundation and institutional funders and community partners. In 2022, we celebrated the 25th anniversary of the Patrons of the Pratt which, in partnership with the Wynn Family Foundation, contributed over \$40,000 (2022). Over \$30,000 in in-kind giving includes hundreds of volunteer hours and donated services from area friends and businesses. Thank you all!

