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


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 Kluniker Cope
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
Summer Family Fun Arts and Crafts Days
First Fridays
Ways to Support

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**Donate:** Go beyond membership to help support our operations, programs and more.

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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!

- **Contributed support:** $437,533
- **Earned revenues:** $95,526
- **Operating & Program:** $218,920
- **Personnel:** $267,856
- **In-kind:** $33,445

**Incomes:**

- **$530,059**

**Expenses:**

- **$486,776**

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