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*Alaska Centers—Promoting knowledge of and the appropriate use of natural, cultural and historic resources on Alaska's public lands.*



## Films & Programs at the Alaska Public Lands Information Center

January & February 2013

Winter Hours:  
8am–5pm, Monday–Saturday  
the Morris Thompson Center building is open 7 days a week

Located inside the Morris Thompson Cultural & Visitors Center in downtown Fairbanks  
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Dates to Remember: Our office will be closed on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, and February 18<sup>th</sup>

### Explore Alaska! Get outside and explore

Our daylight hours are expanding and that means more time outside! Each day, as we gain sunlight, our yearning to explore Alaska becomes even stronger. Interior Alaska offers a plethora of recreational opportunities— from aurora watching, skiing, and visiting a public use cabin. Get outside and Explore Alaska!

The Alaska Public Lands Information Center is here to help in all your trip planning needs—we make it easy for you! Here are just a couple of ideas for winter. For more information, find us downtown at the Morris Thompson Cultural & Visitors Center at 101 Dunkel Street, by phone, or on the web.

### Denali National Park winter recreation

Experience the park as few do— in the wintertime! Stop by the Winter Visitor Center for information on great skiing and snowshoeing trails, and how to be safe while outside in the backcountry. Don't forget: Denali offers free winter camping at Riley Creek Campground! Visit [www.nps.gov/dena](http://www.nps.gov/dena) for more information.

### Ice Fishing along the Richardson Highway

It's ice fishing time! Take a drive on the Richardson Highway and fish at Harding, Birch, and Quartz Lakes. Check the Alaska State Parks website for fishing hut availability. Don't forget a fishing license, ice auger, and firewood if you'll be renting a hut. There are plenty of smaller lakes and rivers where you might get some bites too. Just be sure to check the ice thickness first! Current conditions can be found at [http://aprfc.arh.noaa.gov/ice/itpn\\_pacr.php](http://aprfc.arh.noaa.gov/ice/itpn_pacr.php)

### Sledding in and around the Fairbanks area

Fun for all ages! Grab your sled, toboggan, saucer, cardboard box, or heavy duty trash bag and head for the top of the nearest hill. Be sure the hill isn't on private property and has a safe landing zone. UAF's Sledding Hill is a fun and convenient option, open during daylight hours!

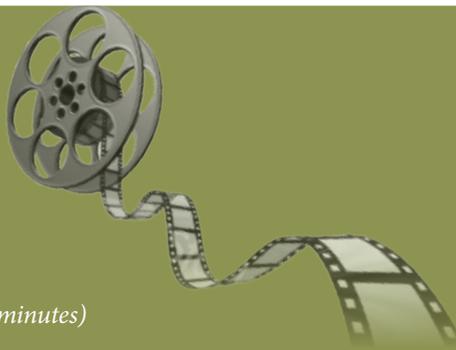


Trails around Fairbanks offer both groomed and unbroken cross-country skiing fun! There are many styles of trails, for skiers of all levels.

## Daily Films

Films are shown 7 days a week in our 100-seat theatre

*\*\*Film schedule subject to change due to special events*



**Dates** Show time: Title (length— in minutes)

January 6 – 12

9am: 40 Below in Fairbanks (30)

12pm: Aurora Explained (30)

2pm: Alaska Rainforest: The Tongass (30)

4pm: Aurora Explained (30)

January 13 – 19

9am: 40 Below in Fairbanks (30)

12pm: Aurora Explained (30)

2pm: Deadliest Catch, Season 1, Episode 1, (30)

4pm: Aurora Explained (30)

January 20 – 26

9am: 40 Below in Fairbanks (30)

12pm: Aurora Explained (30)

2pm: Deadliest Catch, Season 1, Episode 2 (30)

4pm: Aurora Explained (30)

January 27 – February 2

9am: 40 Below in Fairbanks (30)

12pm: Aurora Explained (30)

2pm: Deadliest Catch, Season 1, Episode 3 (30)

4pm: Aurora Explained (30)

February 3 – 9

9am: 40 Below in Fairbanks (30)

12pm: Aurora Explained (30)

2pm: Deadliest Catch, Season 1, Episode 4 (30)

4pm: Aurora Explained (30)

February 10 – 16

9am: 40 Below in Fairbanks (30)

12pm: Aurora Explained (30)

2pm: Deadliest Catch, Season 1, Episode 5 (30)

4pm: Aurora Explained (30)

February 17 – 23

9am: 40 Below in Fairbanks (30)

12pm: Aurora Explained (30)

2pm: Deadliest Catch, Season 1, Episode 6 (30)

4pm: Aurora Explained (30)

February 24 – March 2

9am: 40 Below in Fairbanks (30)

12pm: Aurora Explained (30)

2pm: Deadliest Catch Season 1, Episode 7 (30)

4pm: Aurora Explained (30)

## Special Programs & Events

**Alaska Native Settlement Act: Subsistence Rights, & Recognition of some 230 Alaska Tribes** with Lisa Jaeger

**Friday, January 4<sup>th</sup>, 3-4:30pm**

*A part of the OLLI Winter Lecture Series*

The settlement of aboriginal claims took place in a highly unusual manner, leaving questions unanswered. This presentation clearly outlines this legal and political history with a beautifully illustrated documentary film and short lecture.

**An Introduction to the Art of Dog Sled Construction** with Howard Luke, Billy Demoski, & David Klumb

**Friday, February 1<sup>st</sup>, 6-8pm**

Three established sled-building experts will gather together to present on the art of constructing dog sleds. Each will share their experiences with getting into the business, crafting sleds over the years, and fine tuning their work with selected materials. Question and answer period to follow.

*A follow-up class will be offered on how to rebuild a sled. Contact the Folk School for more information: 907.455.4547*



## First Friday Art Walk

Join us the first Friday of every month from 5-8pm for light refreshments and temporary exhibits that feature the talent of local artists.



### Coal Creek Camp

**An artistic look into Yukon-Charley Rivers National Preserve**

Various Artists

**Friday, January 4<sup>th</sup>, 5-8pm**

This summer, a group of UAF students visited Coal Creek Camp inside Yukon-Charley Rivers National Preserve. The students gained artistic talent as well as a solid understanding of the preserve's geology, as well as natural and cultural history.

A reception will be held on Friday, with a selection of works viewable till the end of the month.

*Many of the artists, along with the National Park Service, would like to dedicate the Coal Creek Camp First Friday to Chief Isaac Juneby, whose dedication to the interpretive history of Coal Creek has created a lasting legacy.*

### Natural Alaska; Life on the Edge

**Author Ned Rozell & Illustrator Natalie Ott Schuldt**

**Friday, February 1<sup>st</sup>, 5-8pm**

*Natural Alaska* features essays by science and natural history writer Ned Rozell about how creatures like the wood frog survive at the extremities of their range. Natalie Ott Schuldt's relief prints, which she will have on display and for sale, illustrate the book. Ned and Natalie will also be signing copies of the just-released book.

## EXPLORE ALASKA

**Film & Lecture Series**

**Saturdays at 2:30pm in the Theatre with films to follow**

Alaska contains 337 million acres of public lands that guarantee opportunities for a spectrum of recreational uses.

How many have you explored?

**Stay tuned for dates and speakers— to be announced in January**

## Field Trips with a Ranger



Join Park Ranger Laurie for a field trip or a class visit, or to check out an educational kit. Call Laurie at 459-3731 for more information and reservations.