

Our History

The Alutiiq are the Kodiak Archipelago's first settlers, an Alaska Native people who came to the islands more than 7,500 years ago. We are closely related to the Native societies of the Bering Sea coast and the Aleutian Islands. Like our neighbors, we make our living harvesting from the land and sea.

Today about 1,800 of our people live in six coastal villages and the City of Kodiak. Many others live in neighboring Alaskan towns, in Anchorage, Seattle, and cities around the world.

Our tribal museum, the Alutiiq Museum, opened in 1995 to preserve and share our story, revitalize traditions, and invite all people to celebrate our culture.



Founding and Sustaining Organizations

Kodiak Area Native Association, Koniag, Afognak Native Corporation, Akhiok-Kaguyak, Inc., Leisoni, Inc., Natives of Kodiak, Inc., Old Harbor Native Corporation, and Ouzinkie Native Corporation – supporting Alutiiq heritage and living culture since 1995.



Welcome

The past meets the present at the Alutiiq Museum where you can explore 7,500 years of Alutiiq heritage. See ancestral artifacts, discover history, and learn how Alutiiq traditions continue.

The Alutiiq Museum welcomes all people to our accessible facility. We invite you to participate in our programs and events.

Taikina! — You should come!

WHERE TO FIND US

215 Mission Road, First Floor
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GALLERY HOURS

Tuesday–Friday	10am–4pm (summer hours) 12pm–4pm (winter hours)
Saturday	Noon–4pm
Sunday	Closed
Monday	By appointment



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Cama'i – Hello



Alutiiq
MUSEUM
ARCHAEOLOGICAL
REPOSITORY



Exhibits

Cummillallret — Our Ancestors

Explore the Alutiiq story through ancestral tools and artwork, from the distant past to the 20th century. Our displays feature harpoons, fishing gear, basketry, oil lamps, rock art, clothing, masks, and more.

Alutiiq Language

Learn about the Alutiiq language, how it became threatened, and the many ways we are revitalizing Alutiiq speech.

Qayat — Kayaks

From driftwood, animal skins, tendon, and baleen, Alutiiq people created kayaks expertly designed for Kodiak's windy waters. Learn about these swift steady boats and the gear essential to every paddler.

Naut'staapet — Our Plants

Kodiak's lush plant life is a vital resource. Learn how plants provide food, fuel, medicine, and materials.

Wamwik — A Place to Play

Enjoy puzzles, books, dress-up clothing, puppets, and toys in our replica sod house, a place for hands-on learning.

Museum Store

The Alutiiq Museum Store features Alaska's largest selection of authentic Alutiiq art and jewelry. You will also find a wide assortment of books, stationary, souvenirs, and gifts for children. Featuring *Alutiiq Seal* certified tribal arts.

Shop in person or online at alutiiqmuseumstore.org



Programs

Experience Alutiiq culture through a museum program. Meet and work with Native artists, practice Alutiiq vocabulary, study an archaeological site, attend presentations, or take a tour.

Collections

The Alutiiq Museum holds more than 250,000 objects representing all eras of Alutiiq history. We care for archaeological materials, archives, contemporary art, ethnographic objects, photographs, recordings, and natural history specimens. Our collections are available to the public. Make an appointment to study objects, visit our library, or volunteer to care for artifacts.

