Cultures in the North ...A Bibliography

Cultures in the North: A Multi-Media Resource List, is an annotated bibliography featuring information on Alaska Native groups. It has recently been publicly presented by the Alaska Educational Program for Intercultural Communication (AEPIC), of the University of Alaska's Center for Northern Educational Research.

In the preface, Dennis Demmert, Coordinator for AEPIC/CNER, states the main purpose of the bibliography:

"This publication is intended to assist the teacher in identifying, collecting and assessing useful materials on Alaska Native Cultures."

The bibliography will be distributed to all public and private libraries, curriculum developers in the state, and to Johnson O'Malley and Indian Education Act funded programs operating during the "75-"76 school year.

Presentations have been made to the Sitka educational representatives of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Alaska Native Brotherhood, Indian Education Act, and Sitka Borough schools, and public and post-secondary libraries in Sitka, where an AEPIC workshop on Southeast community curriculum development was recently held.

The bibliography was compiled primarily by Sarah Isto and illustrated by Keith LaChance. Putting it together required the reviewing of 1200 items before the final listing of about 250 titles was finalized.

Criteria for selecting materials for the bibliography included freedom from stereotyping and condescending language, relevance to Alaskan Native cultures, availability to Alaskan teachers, interest to students and accuracy.