

Peruvian Embroideries To Be Shown

A collection of Peruvian embroideries, interpreting life in an Indian village, will be on display through Jan. 31 at the Fairbanks North Star Borough Library, 901 First Ave.

The exhibit features 30 colorful embroideries, made by children six to 16 years old from the village of Chijnaya located in the Peruvian Andes.

Bullfights, religious objects, familiar animals and village scenes are the subjects portrayed by the children, who had no previous experience in embroidery until the project was first suggested by a Peace Corps officer.

Provided with unbleached woolen cloth and brightly colored yarn, the children then let their imaginations guide them in making their fanciful designs incorporating an outside world which they had never seen. None of the children had ever left their village.

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