

# Alaska Native Magazine Producer

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Moses Wassilie, producer-reporter for the Alaska Native Magazine, a Native program aired on KUAC-TV, has been awarded a grant by the Corporation for Public Broadcasting. The grant is part of the corporation's Minority Training Grant Program.

Under this program, Wassilie will be involved in all phases of production at KUAC, the public television station at the University of Alaska, Fairbanks. He will hold the position of producer-director. The grant is effective for two years beginning this month.

Wassilie said the grant, by paying half of his salary, will allow the Alaska Native Magazine writer/researchers to be more equitably paid for their work by KUAC.

Wassilie was born in Nunapitchuk, raised in nearby Kwethluk and graduated from Mt. Edgecumbe High School. He has attended the Institute of American Indian Arts and the University of Alaska and is an artist and musician of some reputation.

He worked nearly two years for KYUK, public radio and television in Bethel, acquiring on-the-job training in broadcast production and eventually became News Program Director.

From KYUK, Wassilie joined Calista Corporation in Anchorage as Communications Supervisor. He was responsible for editing the Calista news bulletin, recording and editing radio reports and programs for stations throughout the state and producing videotaped programs about Calista for KYUK-airing. "One of the reasons I got into production was that no one really ever made something that the Native people could relate to. That's why I like being involved with this project," Wassilie said.

The Alaska Native Magazine is and ATS-6 satellite production of KUAC-TV funded through the Governor's Office of Telecommunications, the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, based in



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Washington, D.C., and the Wassilie described satellite National Institute of Education, broadcasting as the only type of Department of Health, Education communication with any future and Welfare. in Alaska.