

Fairbanks gallery opened by IANA

FAIRBANKS — The Institute of Alaska Native Arts, a statewide not-for-profit arts program and service agency based in Fairbanks, has announced the opening of its newly renovated storefront gallery at 524 Third Ave. in Fairbanks last week.

The special opening was planned to coincide with Fairbanks Winter Carnival events and regional annual meetings of both the Tanana Chiefs Conference and Doyon Ltd.

The institute's statewide business offices have occupied the second story of the building at the same address since 1986 and just over a year ago, IANA acquired the storefront to serve as a fine arts gallery. Renovation of the space took place throughout the fall and early winter and in late February, IANA hired staff to manage the gallery and plan future gallery projects and exhibitions.

Future shows will include one person and group shows featuring the best of Alaska Native artists and craftsworkers.

Alaska Native artists are invited to submit portfolios and/or letters of intent for future showings of their works. Those who want more information on the gallery may contact John Bartlett at 456-7491 in Fairbanks; or write: IANA, Box 80583, Fairbanks 99708.