

Northwest students view Howard Rock's artwork

KOTZEBUE — Students in Point Hope and Kotzebue schools this month got to see Howard Rock's artwork by way of a special traveling exhibit.

The program features 20 copies of Rock's paintings and an original ivory tusk carving as well as a new documentary on Rock called "Portraits of Leadership."

The exhibit opened in Kotzebue late last week, then traveled to the Tikigaq School in Point Hope Sunday.

Rock was born in Point Hope in 1911. He went on to become both an accomplished artist and a gifted writer. He founded and published the statewide Native newspaper, *Tundra Times*, which he edited until his death in 1976.

Two University of Alaska Fairbanks faculty will travel with the exhibit and make presentations at both locations. Lael Morgan, author of Rock's biography, *Art and Eskimo Power*, is an assistant professor in UAF's Department of Journalism and Broadcasting. She worked for Howard Rock on the newspaper and lived with his

Howard Rock

family in Point Hope in 1972.

Susan B. Andrews created the "Portraits of Leadership" program. She is an assistant professor who teaches English and journalism at UAF's Chukchi campus located in Kotzebue.

Andrews worked on location with two Point Hope students while filming the documentary earlier this year. Leon Kinneveauk and Jace Frankson helped record sound, as well as photograph in and around the village. The Northwest Arctic Borough School District in Kotzebue produced the documentary.

The traveling show is sponsored by Alascom, UAF's Chukchi College, the NANA Museum and the North Slope Borough School District. Those who want more information may contact Chukchi College, 442-3400.