

UA Arts Festival

'Alaska Native Arts' will be the theme of this Spring's University of Alaska Fine Arts Festival.

"As our contribution to this event the Art Department will host a juried invitational show of the finest Alaskan Native art to open around March 28 at our Fine Arts Gallery here in Fairbanks," according to assistant professor of art Glen C. Simpson.

Simpson and Mr. Ronald Senungetuk will be in charge of amassing and selecting work for the show.

"We are seeking both modern and traditional work in any media," Simpson says. "Our only criteria for inclusion in the show is that the work be executed in the last ten years and that it truly be of Fine Art quality."

First prize winner of the art show will receive two hundred dollars. A one hundred dollar second prize is also being offered.

The art department is presently asking art experts and other knowledgeable people throughout the state for their

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suggestions on pieces which might be included in the exhibit.

From photographs and descriptions, the art professors will choose the works they wish to examine for final approval.

"We hope to be able to present a stimulating and exciting show of Alaskan Native

art," explained Professor Simpson. "We would very much like to see greater recognition for individual artists as a result of this show."

If funding is available, the art show may be exhibited in several other locations throughout the state after it closes in Fairbanks.