

'Can you tell me how to get to Sesame Street?'

Kotzebue and Noatak people will be featured nationally later this year and next year in six 2- to 4-minute Alaska segments produced last spring for *Sesame Street*, according to the Northwest Arctic School District.

With production assistance from the Northwest Arctic TV Center, Marc

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Brugnoni Films of New York shot the pieces on location at Kotzebue and Noatak over a six-week period.

Kotzebue, 30 miles above the Arctic Circle, is the economic and transportation center for the Northwest Arctic Borough. It has a population of about 3,000, primarily Inupiat.

Noatak is an Inupiat village 52 miles north of Kotzebue. It has a population of 250 and is the only village on the Noatak River.

The six segments include:

Eskimo Sculptor — The first piece to air shows artist Adolph Shagloak of Kotzebue carving ivory. It makes the connection between several Alaskan birds and mammals and Shagloak's carving.

Shagloak's two nieces watch as he finishes his latest carving, a bowhead

whale.

Ice Fishing — The second piece features Henry Bailey, his sister Margaret and their grandfather Jonah Walton of Noatak as they go fishing on the Noatak River. It was shot in the spring, and the trio travels downriver

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- Eskimo Sculptor airs 11/30/87 and 4/18/88 •
- Ice Fishing airs 12/14/87 and 4/28/88 •
- Dog Racing airs 4/20/88 •
- Dr. Flies In airs 4/25/88 •
- Inupiat Clothing airs 4/26/88 •
- My Village airs 5/3/88 •

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to fish for char through the ice.

The Doctor Flies In — In another piece, Dr. Henry Brown flies in to the village of Noatak to conduct routine exams of school children. Also featured are Community Health Prac-

titioner Esther Barger and the children of Noatak.

My Village — The children of Noatak tell the nation what they like about their village. This piece features the many children in the village and their special feelings about their home.

Inupiat Clothing — This piece features the Inupiaq words in song for Inupiat winter clothing. The viewer will see traditional and contemporary clothing of modern Inupiat children in Noatak as they get ready for school.

Dog Racing — The last piece to air features the Nelson family of Kotzebue as they prepare for the Kikiktagrak Invitation Dog Race. Musher Eric Nelson gets help from his three children and wife and wins the championship in Kotzebue. It features mushing from the children's perspective.