

Annual festival needs Native performers

Native performers and performing groups are needed for the 11th Annual Festival of Native Arts. The Festival, sponsored by University of Alaska-Fairbanks Native students, will be held March 12-16, 1984. The five day program will be on the University of Alaska-Fairbanks campus.

The Festival is a showcase of traditional Native cultural activities. In conjunction with the program, craftsmen demonstrate traditional skills during the day. Annually the evening program attracts 20 or more performing groups who share their culture with receptive audiences that usually fill the 1,000-seat Fine Arts Concert

Hall.

Groups and individuals representing all of Alaska's Native peoples are needed for the program. In previous years, programs have featured the cultural heritage of the state's diverse Native cultures by giving each its own night. Eskimo, Tlingit, Athabaskan and Aleut performers have all presented their stories, dances and songs.

Any Native performer or group wanting to participate should contact Willie Templeton, Festival of Native Arts chairman, care of Rural Student Services/Native Studies, University of Alaska-Fairbanks, 5th floor Gruening Building, Fairbanks, Alaska 99701.

