Coastal Yukon villages get funds for exhibit of artifacts

The Alaska Humanities Forum recently notified the Coastal Yukon Mayors' Association that its application for a planning grant to prepare for an exhibit of artifacts from the Sheldon Jackson Museum was approved.

The funds will be used to enable some representative elders of the region to travel to Sitka to make a selection of the artifacts to be exhibited in Mountain Village in October. The artifacts are from the collection which Sheldon Jackson acquired from the region during travels in the late 1800s. The exhibit will represent the first time any such artifacts were on display in the villages from which they were collected.

The exhibit is to be coordinated with a Yup'ik Dance Festival.

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