

ARCO offers free Native Arts, oil history shows

Two free shows, one dealing with Alaska's oil history and the other with Alaska Native art, will continue through the end of August at Arco Alaska Inc. in Anchorage.

The showings take place on Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons at 1, 2 and 3 p.m. No reservations are necessary.

The first 12-minute show, "Alaska's Industry Pioneers," explores the development of oil in Alaska from the first discovery at Katalla to the development of the Prudhoe Bay field, largest in the United States.

Arco's extensive collection of Alaska Native art is featured in the second show. It describes art techniques, including basketmaking and mask making. A number of the Native art works are on display in the Arco lobby.