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CITC Unveils New Exhibit Showcasing Rare Dena'ina Cultural Objects

Collection features possessions of Eklutna's last tribal chief and medicine man.

MEDIA AVAILABILITY:

WHAT: Members of the press are invited to attend a reception for the Grand Opening of a new exhibit of Dena'ina artwork and cultural objects.

WHEN: Thursday, December 10, 3 – 5 pm. Remarks at 3:30.

WHERE: CITC main lobby, 3600 San Jeronimo Drive, directly across from the Anchorage Daily News

The exhibit features items from the A. Debbie Fullenwider Collection, a rare group of objects originally belonging to Chief Alex Vasily (1886-1953), the last tribal chief and medicine man of Eklutna. They range from chief's regalia to carving knives used by Chief Alex, who was also a traditional craftsman, hunter, and fisherman.

For more information about the exhibit, contact exhibit curator Lydia Hays, Village and Cultural Affairs Director: 793-3404.

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