

Friday Night Insights



Programs begin at 7:00 PM and are open to the public free of charge and held in the theater at the Southeast Alaska Discovery Center, 50 Main Street, Ketchikan, AK. Call 228-6220 for more information. Each week guest presenters cover an array of topics on the natural and cultural heritage of Southeast Alaska.

- March 7 Managing Young Stands on the Tongass
 Dr. Mike McClellan from the Forest Sciences Laboratory in Juneau will discuss the Tongass Wide Young Growth Study (TWYGS). TWYGS is a long-term adaptive management research study led by the Pacific Northwest Research Station focusing on under story and tree response to thinning, pruning, girdling and slash treatment of young-growth stands at various intensities to learn more about the effects of thinning.
- March 14 Archeology of "On Your Knees Cave"-The Final Chapter Terry Fifield, Forest Service Archeologist for Prince of Wales Island, will cover the 2007 decision to transfer the custody of 10,300 year-old human remains from the Forest Service to local tribal governments. Terry will give a brief review of the scientific studies conducted at On Your Knees Cave as well as give examples of other recent instances of custody decisions regarding very ancient human remains being transfered to local tribal governments.
- March 21 2nd Annual Alaska's Oceans Film Festival (Start Time 6 PM)
 This program showcases the world oceans in a series of short films presented by Seaweb, a nonprofit organization with the mission in advancing ocean conservation. Eample of two film shorts include: "Protecting New Orleans, Saving Venice" highlighting the struggles and similarities of these two destination cities, and the "Science of Big Waves" shows shocking footage of world class surfers as they take on the west coasts largest waves whom get their origins in the Gulf of Alaska! Come for one or all of these short films.
- March 28 The Rainbird Trail-Early History and Into the Future
 Join University of Alaska Southeast Ketchikan Campus staff Cathy LeCompte and James
 Scott who will discuss the evolution of one of Ketchikan's most popular trails. This
 program will include the proposed completion of the Rainbird Trail from the University
 to the existing trail tread.