

# **Friends of Sheldon Jackson Museum Annual Report**

## **2021. Meeting held February 19, 2022**

Welcome to the 37<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Friends of Sheldon Jackson Museum. We would like to acknowledge and express our appreciation to the indigenous people of Tlingit Ani who have occupied this land for longer than any of us can imagine and after 250 years of colonization in AK are graciously allowing us to share this amazing land with them. Thank you.

- Co-presidency established, Rosemary Carlton and Krystina Scheller
- Most meetings have been through Zoom but in the fall, meetings could be attended in person at the museum.
- Continued support for staff coverage which had been very thin this past year but is in the process of improving.
- Purchased some equipment for the museum. Light box.
- Sponsored the winter lecture series.
- Continuing support for the Native Artist Residency program through funds and assistance in finding housing.
- Joined Sites of Conscience for Jackie to take part in. It offers training and other opportunities to engage in public issues related to colonization, boarding schools, and ways for museums and other organizations to address these important issues.
- Several amazing fund-raising opportunities came our way. Treasurer, Lisa Bykonen will mention.
- Held a very successful Silent Auction in person at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship Hall.
- Assisted Jackie in removing coverings on artifacts in the gallery following the roof renovation.
- A large stack of Tlingit Legend booklets was prepared to be put out for the summer. Many visitors donated and took a book.
- Lost our Office Assistant Hannah Wolfe-MacPike but hired a new one Laura Bennett.