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Award for Excellence in the Museum Field

- 2021: Dawn Biddison, Smithsonian Arctic Studies Center
- 2020: Funter Bay Project at the Juneau-Douglas City Museum
- 2019: City of Kodiak for support of the Kodiak History Museum, Alutiiq Museum, and Kodiak Maritime Museum
- 2018: Bethany Buckingham Follett, Wasilla
- 2017: Exhibit – Pililuki–Make Them!, Alutiiq Museum and Archaeological Repository
- 2016: Lani Hotch, Jilkaat Kwaan Cultural Heritage Center
- 2015: State Library, Archives, and Museum, Juneau
- 2014: UA Museum of the North, Fairbanks
- 2013: Gray Whale Project, Pratt Museum
- 2012: Sue Thorson, Sitka
- 2011: Scott Carrlee, Alaska State Museum
- 2010: Jean Turner, Director of Eagle Historical Society & Museums
- 2009: Exhibit – Kachemak Bay: An Exploration of People and Place, Pratt Museum
- 2008: Exhibit – Yuungnaqqiallerput: The Way We Genuinely Live: Masterworks of Yup'ik Science and Survival, Anchorage Museum at Rasmuson Center and Calista Elders; and Exhibit – Giinaquq: Like a Face, Alutiiq Museum Council, curated by Ann Fienup-Riordan, Marie Mead, Alice Rearden and Suzi Jone
- 2007: Patricia Wolf, Anchorage Museum at Rasmuson Center
- 2006: Robert Banghart, Juneau
- 2005: Amy Steffian, Alutiiq Museum and Archaeological Repository
- 2004: Michael Hawfield
- 2003: Gail Hollinger, Heritage Library Museum; and Terry Dickey, University of Alaska Museum and founder of Museums Alaska
- 2002: Peter Corey, Alaska State Museum; and Steven Henrikson, Alaska State Museum
- 2001: Diane Brenner, Anchorage Museum of History and Art
- 2000: Pratt Museum
- 1999: Mary Louise and Elmer Rasmuson
- 1998: Cynthia (CJ) Jones, Sheldon Museum and Cultural Center; and Lydia Black
- 1997: Donna Matthews, Museums Alaska
- 1996: Ann Fienup-Riordan; and The Pratt Museum
- 1995: Jerry Howard, Alaska State Museum
- 1994: Janelle Matz
- 1993: Helen Alten, Alaska State Museum
- 1992: Roxana Adams, Ketchikan Museums
- 1991: The Pratt Museum
- 1990: Barbara Sweetland Smith



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Volunteer of the Year Award

2021: Paul, Kodiak
2020: Katherine Spahr, Anchorage
2019: Alice Ryser, Kodiak
2018: Rosemary Carlton, Sitka
2017: Allegra Hamer, Anchorage
2016: Cynthia (CJ) Jones, Haines
2015: Joellen Bye, Talkeetna
2014: Shannon Kovac, Jean Schwafel & Colleen Kelly, Resurrection Bay HS Collections Committee, Seward
2013: David Pahl, Haines
2012: ?
2011: Collin MacCarty, Pratt Museum
2010: Frances Mallory
2009: Fran Dameron, Alaska State Museum
2008: Virginia Lacy, Cordova; and Louise Gallop, Anchorage
2007: Dan Gullickson, Fairbanks; and Lee Poleske, Seward
2006: John Borg, Eagle
2005: Beverly Horn, Kodiak; and Dr. Chelton Feeny, Hope
2004: Brian Davies, Anchorage; Sharon Davies, Anchorage
2003: Jon Loring, Alaska State Museum
2002: ?
2001: Natasha Calvin
1999: Sharon Ermold, Cordova
1998: ?
1997: Elva Scott, Eagle
1996: Sabra Reid, Anchorage

President's Award in Honor of Lifetime Achievement

2021: Elaine Kingeekuk, St Lawrence Island
2020: Patricia Relay, Valdez
2019: Aldona Jonaitis, Fairbanks; and Sunny Cook, McCarthy
2018: Jane Lindsey, Juneau
2017: Lisa Golisek, Juneau
2016: Michael Hawfield, Homer
2015: LaRue Barnes, Cordova
2014: Nancy Ricketts



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Museum Champion

2021: Dr. Donald W. Clark, Kodiak

2020: Anjuli Grantham, Juneau; and Koniag, Inc.

Other Past Awards:

2009 "Outstanding Individual" Award: Joan Hamilton, Yupiit Piciryaralt Cultural Center