

# Alaska Treaty of Cession Sesquicentennial Events *Fall 2017*



**September 27-30** Anchorage, AK

The Alaska Historical Society annual conference, *Exploring the Legacy of the Alaska Purchase*, has over twenty presentations on the schedule. Willie Hensley will give a keynote address.

**September 27** Kenai; **September 29** Homer; **October 1** Anchorage, AK

Wild Shore New Music performs chamber music that addresses Alaska's light, mountains, water, wildlife, and the silence of the tundra. The performance includes music by Alaska composer John Luther Adams.

**October 6** Juneau, AK

Open house at the Lt. Governor's office with an exhibit about the Seward Shame Pole erected at Taant'a Kwaan village after William Seward visited in 1869 and newly reproduced at Saxman by Stephen Jackson.

**October 6** Anchorage, AK

Opening of *Perceptions: The Alaska Treaty of Cession Intercurrent* exhibit at the International Gallery of Contemporary Art. The exhibit is artists' contemporary responses to the treaty.

**October 6** Juneau, AK

The Alaska State Museum opens its *SESQUICENTENNIAL: 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Treaty of Cession* exhibit with the original Emanuel Leutze painting, maps, photographs, documents, and objects.

**October 13-16** Sitka, AK

All are welcome to attend *Haa Shagòon, Yei Sh Natoonseix: A Conference of Tlingit Tribes and Clans*, featuring Alaska Native tradition bearers and elders, with a panel discussing the Alaska Treaty of Cession.

**October 14** Juneau, AK

The Alaska State Library film historians are hosting a showing five short historic films about the Purchase of Alaska and how it was commemorated in 1967.

**October 17**, Sitka, AK

Tlingit Readers, Inc., is sponsoring at the University of Alaska Southeast a panel discussion, *Treaty of Cession: Causes and Consequences*, with Russian and American historians and Tlingit representatives discussing the event.

**October 18** Sitka, AK

Annual Alaska Day Festival with a parade, reenactment of the transfer ceremony at Castle Hill, memorial service at the National Cemetery, tea at the Pioneer Home, evening ball, and more.

**October 18** Juneau, AK

The State Library, Archives and Museum at the Kashevaroff Building will be open from 10-4 for researchers and visitors to view the Emanuel Leutze painting and exhibit.

**October 19** Anchorage, AK

Cook Inlet Historical Society's Alaska Day program, *Treaty of Cession: Causes and Consequences*, has Russian and American historians and Alaska and Siberia Native representatives discussing the event.

**October 19** Sitka, AK

Sitka National Historic Park presents *Voices of Change Perspectives on the Transfer of Alaska from Russia to the United States*.

**October 27** Haines, AK

Opening of *Across the Shaman's River* exhibit at the Sheldon Museum.

Please visit the Alaska Historical Society calendar and resource library for events, thought-provoking articles, primary documents, podcasts, educational resources, and more:

[alaskahistoricalsociety.org/about-ahs/150treaty/](http://alaskahistoricalsociety.org/about-ahs/150treaty/)