

# Lelooska Foundation

## Newsletter

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## ***FALL SPECIAL EVENTS***

***Great Gifts! Support the Lelooska Foundation through your holiday purchases of books & blankets Saturday & Sunday, Dec. 6 & 7, 2003, 11:00 am-5:00pm Saturday December 13, 2003 12:00 – 7:00pm***

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The Lelooska Foundation will have a variety of new books for sale from \$3.95 to \$59.95 including over 30 new titles such as: Wild Harvest, Totem Poles of the NW Coast, Indian Quillworking, Pacific Salmon, Medicinal Fruits and Berries, Buffalo People and much more...  
**at the Lelooska Family Gallery during their Annual Holiday Show.**



### **Fleece Blankets with Embroidered Salmon Design**

30" x 54" lap blankets in dark navy or beige fleece with the Lelooska Foundation salmon design embroidered in red. \$20.00  
*Makes a great gift!*

## WEB SITE

Up and Running at  
[www.lelooska.org](http://www.lelooska.org)

### **BOOKSIGNING SPECIAL EVENT!**

**Saturday, December 6, 2003  
12:00 to 4:00pm**

**with Chris Friday at the Lelooska Family Gallery  
161 Merwin Village Road, Ariel, WA**

**All proceeds from the sale of "Lelooska, The Life of A Northwest Coast Artist" will benefit the Lelooska Foundation, a non-profit 501(c)3 organization. See Page 3.**

### Reminder...

Our phone number is (360) 225-9522.

If you reach voicemail during office hours it usually means that we are on the phone.

*Please leave a message so that we can get back to you!*

We apologize for any inconvenience.

### **Northwest Coast Woodcarving Demonstration**

**Tsungani will share his knowledge and expertise while using traditional tools.**

**Sunday, December 7, 2003  
2:00-4:00pm**

### **Evening Program on Saturday, Dec. 13, 2003**

at 7:00pm, \$8.50 adults, \$7.00 children 12 & under  
Call for availability (360) 225-9522

**Thank you, Friends of the Lelooska Foundation!** Donations from January 2002 thru October 2003

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Yes! I would like to support the Lelooska Foundation with my donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ which I would like to direct to the:

General Fund, Acquisitions Committee (circle one)

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Add me to your mailing List

TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

The Lelooska Foundation is a 501(c) 3 organization

E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

# Lelooska Foundation benefits from Service Project

On July 25, the Lelooska Foundation was pleased to welcome back the Vancouver West Stake of the Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter Day Saints. In celebration of Pioneer Days, they gathered to work on a service project here on the grounds of the Lelooska Cultural Center. They built the new railing next to the museum, spread over 30 yards of gravel, weeded, pruned, gathered limbs, chipped brush, painted, and tore out a dilapidated fence. All who visit the grounds will notice these great improvements. We want to express our heartfelt thanks for their hard work!

## NEW BOOK!!!

### "Lelooska, The life of a Northwest Coast Artist" by Chris Friday

Chief Lelooska was a prominent Native American artist and storyteller in the Pacific Northwest. Born in 1933 of "mixed blood" Cherokee heritage, he was adopted as an adult by the prestigious Kwakiutl Sewid clan and had relationships with elders from a wide range of tribal backgrounds.

Lelooska emerged in the late 1950s as one of a handful of artists who proved crucial to the renaissance of Northwest Coast Indian art. He also

developed into a supreme performer and educator, presenting living history programs of dances, songs, and storytelling.

In this book, historian and family friend Chris Friday shares and annotates interviews that he conducted with Lelooska, between 1993 and ending shortly before the artist's death, in 1996. This is the story of a man who reached, quite literally, a million or more people in his lifetime and whose life was at once exceptional and emblematic.

"This is more than a Northwest narrative. At its most fundamental level, it is a Native story. In the life and times of Lelooska, we see key issues confronted by countless American Indians in regard to identity. Lelooska's story helps us to understand that identity is not simply bestowed but is forged through life choices and experiences."

—Peter Iverson, author of *Riders of the West: Portraits from Indian Rodeo*

"A richly textured and highly readable book. Chris Friday skillfully blends historiography, life history, and personal experience to explore the life and artistic career of the well-known Native American carver Lelooska. This is a book about the artist behind the art, and about the collaborative enterprise of life history."

—Margaret B. Blackman, author of *Sadie Brower Neakok, an Inupiaq Woman*

**Chris Friday** is professor of history and director of the Center for Pacific Northwest Studies at Western Washington University.

*This title will be available at all Lelooska Foundation Programs and on Dec. 6 & 7, 11-5 and Dec. 13, 12-7 or by mail.*

**Yes, please send me "Lelooska, the Life of a Northwest Coast Artist" by Chris Friday**

**Ship to:**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone #:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

Quantity	@\$24.95	
Shipping	\$4.00 first book, then \$2.00	
	<b>SUBTOTAL:</b>	
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*Please make checks payable to Lelooska Foundation. Thank you!*

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## Holiday Gift Ideas & Special Events Inside!

### **Spring Evening Living History Programs**

**April 17, May 15, June 12, 2004 at 7:00pm**

***Please note earlier start time!***

*Experience magnificent Northwest Coast masks as they come to life in the glimmering firelight of our Kwakwaka'wakw ceremonial house.*

Tickets are \$8.50 adults and \$7.00 children 12 & under

Evening programs are approximately two hours in length. The museum will be open before and after the program. Advance reservations are required. To reserve call (360) 225-9522. Then mail your check along with a self addressed stamped envelope to: Lelooska Foundation, P.O. Box 526, Ariel, WA 98603

Your tickets will be mailed to you.

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### **Spring School Programs 2004**

March 25 & 27

April 1, 8, 13, 15, 22, 23 & 27

May 4, 13, 14, 20, 21, 25 & 27

June 3, 8, 10 & 15

Admission is \$5.00 per person, adult or child.

School Programs are approximately one hour in length and are followed by a visit to the Lelooska Museum where over 600 artifacts will be shared along with a time for questions and answers.