

Anne Hanley, Playwright

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Alaska State Writer Laureate, 2002–2004

Playwright

- ❖ Lifetime Member, Dramatists Guild of America. Enrollee, Dramatists Guild Copyright Management Program.
- ❖ Seven produced plays in Alaska, Massachusetts, New York, California and Kentucky.
- ❖ Author of *The Winter Bear*, the story of an Alaska Native teenager contemplating suicide who is turned around by Athabascan elder Sidney Huntington. <http://www.winterbearproject.com>
- ❖ Founding Member, Looking Glass Group Theatre, sponsor of the *8 X 10* Festival of New Alaskan 10-minute Plays, 2000–present. Staged readings of 152, 10-minute plays by Alaskan playwrights so far & still counting!

Executive Director & Producer, The Winter Bear Project, 2010–2016

Toured *The Winter Bear*, and related outreach, to over 12,000 Alaskans in communities all over the State.

Funders: Alaska Mental Health Trust, State of Alaska Dept. of Health & Social Services, First Alaskans Institute, Denakkanaaga Inc., Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium, Southcentral Foundation, Tanana Chiefs Conference, Doyon Limited, Maniilaq, Arctic Slope Native Association, The Rasmuson Foundation, Alaska Community Foundation, The Alaska Humanities Forum, and others.

Writer & Producer, *Where Are the Children?* 2014

Documentary chronicling The Winter Bear Project's 2014 Tour to Yukon and Koyukuk River villages. Aired in Alaska and nationally on PBS Affiliate FNX. <https://vimeo.com/130928228>

Editor, *The Alaska Reader: Voices from the North*, Fulcrum Books, 2005

Columnist, Anchorage *Daily News* & Fairbanks *Daily News-Miner*, 2003–2005

Education

University of California at Los Angeles, M.F.A. in Film & Television

Mt. Holyoke College, B.A. *cum laude*, English Composition

Honors and Awards

First Prize, The Alaska Native Plays Contest, University of Alaska, Anchorage, 1991

Freedom Medal for Fiction, the Freedoms Foundation, Valley Forge PA, 1964

First Prize, the Denis Johnson Four-College Playwriting Competition, 1968

Finalist, Francesca Primus Award, Denver Center for the Performing Arts, 2004

Artist in Residence, University of Alaska Fairbanks Joint Russian Expedition to Katmai National Park, 2004

Artist in Residence, National Park Service Expedition to Gates of the Arctic National Park, 2005

Panelists Choice Award, Edward Albee/ Last Frontier Theatre Conference, 1997, 1998, 2002

Critics Choice Award, Edward Albee/ Last Frontier Theatre Conference, 1996

Best of Fest Award, Atlantis Playmakers, Billerica, MA, 2002