

Alaska Islands and Ocean Visitor Center

Homer, AK



Explore an Alaska few have seen

The Alaska Islands and Ocean Visitor Center interprets the natural and cultural history of the Alaska Maritime National Wildlife Refuge. The Refuge's vast expanse of islands and shoreline, which provides summer habitats to 40 million seabirds, is a site that few visitors ever see.

With this in mind, AldrichPears designed theatrical environments to create a sense of this distant place to allow visitors to immerse themselves in this remote landscape. APA also developed interactive exhibits that explore seabird biology, oceanography, environmental monitoring and human activities. A wet lab, classroom and trail system support an environmental education program, which was developed with local teachers and researchers.

APA created an interpretive plan for the visitor center and saw the project through concept to detailed design documentation.

