Refuge Wins Film Awards

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A Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge film highlighting Kodiak's diverse ecosystems and the conservation history and conservation efforts of the Kodiak Refuge has received two prestigious awards at national and international film competitions. KMXT's Erik Wander has more.

The Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge's 12-minute orientation film, entitled, Home of the Great Kodiak Bear, took top honors in the Nature and Wildlife video category for both the Telly Awards, a national film and video competition, and the Communicator Awards, an international competition honoring creative excellence among communication professionals.

Kodiak Visitor Center manager Tina Shaw described the film.

-- (Shaw 1 50 sec "It was envisioned as ... and Baranov Museum.")

Shaw said the film has been on view at the Visitor Center since 2007 and will continue to run on a daily basis.

-- (Shaw 2 31 sec "We've been showing ... for those two awards.")

Shaw described the film, which was produced by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, as a collaboration with other wildlife film producers in the state.

-- (Shaw 3 20 sec "We were able to piggy-back ... the images you see.")

The film, featuring bears, salmon, birds, and various marine mammals from across the Kodiak Archipelago, can be viewed at the Kodiak Wildlife Refuge Visitor Center Tuesday through Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and is available on DVD at the Kodiak Refuge Visitor Center bookstore. I'm Erik Wander.

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