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AIFF ANNOUNCES CARVER FOR COVETED FILM AWARD

Call It Oosik or a Baculum, Either way it's a Popular Bone to Pick

Anchorage AK – AIFF is proud to announce the official carver for the 2007 Anchorage International Film Festival Golden Oosik Award:

Herman Toolie of Savoonga, St. Lawrence Island, Alaska.

The word *baculum* means "stick" or "staff" in Latin. Oosik, however, is the Inupiaq (an Inuit dialect) word for penis. The Oosik is the bone inside the penis of bears, seals, sea lions, bulls, bats, foxes, otters, monkeys and rodents. The human male is not born with this bone, which may account for Oosik envy and the desire to own one.

The grand finale of the AIFF is the Golden Oosik Awards Ceremony. It's our chance to say kudos in a special way to the filmmakers commitment to the art of filmmaking and supporting the Festival by sharing their visions with Alaskan film lovers. Tickets are \$15 or free entry with the ALL EVENT PASS. _Ceremony begins at Saturday 7pm, December 8, 2007 at the Anchor Pub on 4th Avenue in downtown Anchorage.

This award is presented in the following categories:

Features	Documentary
Shorts	Short Documentary
Snowdance	Super Shorts

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