

THE ARCTIC TOGETHER

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PODCAST

SHOW NOTES & RESOURCE GUIDE

Centering Indigenous community voices, getting to the root of research, and what it means to be “Arctic Together” through sharing story

 Podcast Website

Special Series: Fostering Indigenous-led Research Convergence Working Group Interviews

Mini-series Episode #: Mary Beth Jäger hosts Leasi Vanessa Lee Raymond and Anamaq Margaret Rudolf



Navigating the New Arctic
Community Office



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About



The *Arctic Together* podcast is a podcast series that centers Indigenous community voices, shares [Navigating the New Arctic](#) (NNA) community stories, and highlights different approaches to issues and solutions in Arctic-based research. The NNA-CO Community Extension Office at Alaska Pacific University is the content developer and host of the *Arctic Together* podcast, and aims to build awareness, partnerships, opportunities, and resources for collaboration. From local to international scales, to supporting the next generation of Arctic researchers, *Arctic Together* offers stories and wisdom towards a more holistic understanding of the Arctic.

This episode is hosted by Mary Beth Jäger with guests Dr. Anamaq Margaret Rudolf and Leasi Vanessa Lee Raymond. They draw from their experiences as Indigenous women leaders and boundary spanners in their respective fields to discuss power, leadership, bias, and other topics central to Arctic policy, leadership, and research. Tune in to hear and learn from these remarkable women.

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SPECIAL FEATURE GUESTS

Dr. Anamaq Margaret Rudolf

Dr. Margaret Anamaq Rudolf is an Iñupiaq scholar and postdoctoral fellow at the International Arctic Research Center (IARC) at the University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF). Her work focuses on bridging gaps between Western scientific research and Indigenous Knowledges through the co-production of knowledge. Her background is in permafrost and engineering, and she works as a boundary spanner noticing and bridging gaps between research, Indigenous Knowledges, and other relationships that bring forth good Arctic research.



Leasi Vanessa Lee Raymond



Leasi Vanessa Lee Raymond is a socio-technologist interested in community and infrastructure. As Alaska Center for Energy and Power's Deputy Director (University of Alaska Fairbanks), she leads complex initiatives for remote energy security, technology, data sovereignty and community-centered infrastructure. Her PhD researches critical minerals and sovereignty in the Arctic and Pacific.

SHOW NOTES

Click the logos to click the hyperlink for the agencies and groups mentioned during the podcast. The website urls are listed underneath.

The users for these agencies include researchers, policy makers, and people interested in Arctic realities.



Interagency Arctic Research Policy Committee:
[https://www.iarpcollaborations.org/](https://www.iarpccollaborations.org/)



International Arctic Science
Committee Site: <https://iasc.info/>



Arctic Circle Assembly:
<https://www.arcticcircle.org/assemblies>



US Arctic Observing Network:
<https://usaon.org>



International Conference on Arctic Research Planning:
ICARP <https://icarp.iasc.info/>



Arctic Science Summit Week (ASSW):
<https://www.assw.info/>

Featured Music



From the artist
Byron Nicholai

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“There is a personal tax we are paying to try to create this change.”

-Leasi Vanessa Lee Raymond on working in Arctic policy and research spaces

“It was great to be recognized ... as not just the token Indigenous person but as someone who really knows what they’re doing in this field.”

-Dr. Anamaq Margaret Rudolf on her expertise in co-production of knowledge

“How does [the work you do] impact the Arctic? ...and the people?”

Mary Beth Jager

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The Navigating the New Arctic Community Office (NNA-CO) builds awareness, partnerships, opportunities, and resources for collaboration and equitable knowledge generation within, between, and beyond the research projects funded by the National Science Foundation’s NNA Initiative. The office builds capacity in early career researchers and provides unique opportunities to inspire and engage a wide audience toward a more holistic understanding of the Arctic—its natural environment, built environment, and diverse cultures and communities.

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