



**Spirit Mask - "Making A Way of Prayer"
by Mary Beans Evans**

The spirit mask titled "Making A Way of Prayer" represents asking for good fortune for the Hunters. The inner ring symbolized earth, land, and sea while the outer ring symbolizes the universe, heavens, and stars. The face is split in two; the cottonwood bark being spirit and the soapstone being man. The hunter encountered a bear, symbolized by the scratch on the bark side of the face. The teardrop on the soapstone side of the face illustrates the loss of traditional hunting practices.

Location: Rabinowitz Courthouse, Fairbanks

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