

Antarctica revisited by Alex Eilers

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Alex Eilers, manager of education at the Pink Palace Museum, is returning after two years to Antarctica in November and December to join a research team studying Weddell seals.

The project, called The Cost of a New Fur Coat, will focus on how a seal's life events – such as breeding and molting – might be affected by changes in the climate and environment.

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For details visit <http://antarcticarevisited.com/>.

Eilers also will keep an online journal. Follow her at <http://www.polartrec.com>. Click on locate team members and on E to find Eilers.

For more information visit www.memphismuseums.org or call 636-2387.