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*Art of the Northern Tlingit.*  
Author Aldona Jonaitis differentiates between the styles and characteristics of sacred versus secular art pieces.  
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A study of the ties that Southeast Alaska Natives have to their land, materially, spiritually, and socially, and what hold these people have to their land, including interviews with the Native people in the 1940’s.  
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*Haa Shuká, Our Ancestors : Tlingit Oral Narratives*, volume 1.;  
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**Keepers of the Totem.**
Beautifully illustrated guide to the history, mythology, and customs of the Northwest Coast, including chapters on houses and potlatches.
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This 3rd edition by Wallace M. Olson is an update of his previous works. He presents succinct information about the Tlingit along with good color photos and several excellent charts.
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**Tlingit : Their Art, Culture & Legends.**
Introduces the daily life, arts, crafts, and legends of the Tlingit Indians of southeastern Alaska.
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Some authors who have written about the Tlingit:
- Richard and Nora Dauenhauer
- Frederica DeLaguna
- Philip Drucker
- George T. Emmons
- Aurel Krause
- Hilary Stewart
MAGAZINES & JOURNALS
These are good sources for Alaska Native information:
  • Alaska Journal of Anthropology
  • Anthropological Papers of the University of Alaska
  • Arctic Anthropology

COMPUTER DATABASES
  • For full-text documents as well as other formats, search EbscoHost, Gale Resource Center, or Facts on File News Digest online databases.
  • For Alaska newspaper articles search the Anchorage Daily News Archives (1985-present) or NewsBank Inc. for Alaska newspapers (Anchorage, Fairbanks, and Juneau)

ALASKA VERTICAL FILES
The Alaska Vertical Files located in Loussac Library’s Alaska Collection-Level 3, is an additional source of information.
  • Look under files “Indians of North America—Alaska” and “Tlingit Indians.”

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The Box of Daylight [Video]
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Keet Shagoon : The Origin of the Killer Whale [Video]
VHS 398.245 KEET

Kusah Hakwaan : an Alaskan Tlingit Indian Legend [Video]
VHS 398.2 KUSAH-H

The Land is Ours [Video]
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The Lost Art of the Tlingit of Alaska [Video]
VHS 970.004978 LOST

Reunion under Mount Saint Elias [Video]
VHS 979.82 REUNION

SELECTED INTERNET SOURCES
Alaska Digital Archive: Alaska Native History & Cultures
http://vilda.alaska.edu/

Alaska Humanities Forum: Tlingit, Haida, and Tsimshian
http://www.akhistorycourse.org/articles/article.php?artID=192

Alaska Native Heritage Center: Eyak, Tlingit, Haida, and Tsimshian
http://www.alaskanative.net/en/main_nav/education/culture_alaska/eyak/
Alaska Native Knowledge Network: Tlingit, Haida, and Tsimshian
http://www.ankn.uaf.edu/ANCR/southeast.html

Alaska Native Languages
http://www.uaf.edu/anlc/languages.html

Alaska/Polar Periodicals Index via University of Fairbanks Goldmine Library Catalog
http://goldmine.uaf.edu/uhtbin/cgisirsi.exe/x/0/0/49/

Alaskool (Institute of Social & Economic Research, University of Alaska Anchorage)
http://www.alaskool.org/alaska.htm

Central Council of the Tlingit & Haida Tribes of Alaska
http://www.ccthita.org

SLED – Alaska Native and Indigenous Peoples
http://sled.alaska.edu/native.html

Tlingit of the Northwest Coast (Carnegie Museum Natural History)

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