

RESOURCES FOR RECOVERING STOLEN AT.ÓOW AND REGALIA

Protecting your at.óowu and regalia

1. Purchase insurance for your at.óowu and regalia for the replacement value. You can often add art (at.óow) insurance at a reduced rate to your existing insurance policies such as home-owners insurance.
2. An appraisal might be needed before arranging insurance coverage. Appraisals are a means of assigning a market (cash) value to objects that are accepted by insurance companies.
3. Keep a detailed inventory of your pieces that includes: maker (if known), tribal/clan origin, crest design, age, condition, any notes or markings, and value. This information will make it easier to identify your pieces when they are recovered, and will help police and other parties assist you in tracking your items.
4. High resolution quality photos from at least six angles (right, left, front, back, top, and bottom) to document specific details that can be sent out to the police and other parties that may come into contact with your at.óowu and regalia.
5. Do not share the storage location of your at.óowu and regalia or their value with strangers or people who do not need to know.

What to do if your at.óowu or regalia is stolen

1. Report the theft to the police. Be prepared to provide a detailed description and photos of the item (see numbers 3 and 4 above), the last place and time it was seen.
2. Notify local pawn shops, auction houses, antique stores or corporations where a thief may try to sell your item.
3. Post notice and photo of the theft on your Facebook page.
4. Check on eBay at least once a week (for a couple of months), or set up an auction alert for keywords pertaining to your at.óowu.
5. Search on <https://new.liveauctioneers.com/> and <http://www.invaluable.com/> for your at.óowu. These websites allow you to search hundreds of auctions across the country at once.
6. Depending on the value of your item, you may want to inform larger state, national or international institutions that deal in Native American art. Please see the reference list below.

National and international resources for reporting stolen art

Antique Tribal Art Dealers Association

<https://www.atada.org/theft-alerts-list>

Interpol Stolen Works of Art Database

<https://www.interpol.int/Crime-areas/Works-of-art/Database>

The Art Loss Register

<http://www.artloss.com/services/loss-registration>

Regional Resources for Reporting Stolen Art

Seahawk Auctions (Burnaby, BC)

http://seahawkauctions.com/art_auction/

Alaska Auction Co. (Anchorage)

<http://www.alaskaauction.com/>

MBA Auctions (Seattle)

<http://www.mbaauction.com/about-us.html>

Pacific Galleries Auctions (Seattle)

<http://www.pacgal.com/about/contactus.php>

Alaska State Museum (Juneau)

<http://museums.alaska.gov/staff.html>

Burke Museum (Seattle)

<http://www.burkemuseum.org/contact-us>

Anchorage Museum (Anchorage)

<https://www.anchagemuseum.org/about-us/contact-us/>

Museum of the North (Fairbanks)

<https://www.uaf.edu/museum/staff/>

Sheldon Jackson Museum (Sitka)

http://museums.alaska.gov/sheldon_jackson/sjhome.html

