

Tlingit Clan Crest Registry

Sealaska Heritage Institute established the first-ever registry of Tlingit clan crests—the most important symbols of the history and identity of Tlingit people. There are many Tlingit clans and crests, and SHI will continue to raise funds to document additional clans and crests. Furthermore, most clans have more than one crest, and the registry will also be expanded to include as many crests as can be documented.

In 2023, the following six clan crests were documented:

Crest	Clan Ownership
Kaawashagi Gooch (Panting Wolf)	Kaagwaantaan clan
Tl'anaxéedákw (Wealth-Bringing Woman)	L'eeneidí clan
X'áakw (Fresh-Water-Marked Sockeye Salmon)	Lukaax.ádi clan
Xeitl (Thunderbird)	Shangukeidí clan
K'eik'w (Kittiwake)	T'aḵdeintaan clan
Tóos' (Shark)	Wooshkeetaan clan