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Guide to Paintings of dugout canoes
in National Museum of Natural History
Anthropology collections, undated

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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Anthropological Archives
Title:	Paintings of dugout canoes in National Museum of Natural History Anthropology collections
Date:	undated
Identifier:	NAA.MS168115
Extent:	5 Paintings (visual works) (ink and tempera paint on board)
Language:	No linguistic content; Not applicable .
Digital Content:	Image(s): Paintings of dugout canoes in National Museum of Natural History Anthropology collections
Container:	Folder 168115

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

The drawings were transferred from the object collections of the Department of Anthropology to the National Anthropological Archives in 1969.

Preferred Citation

Paintings of dugout canoes in National Museum of Natural History Anthropology collections (MS 168115), National Anthropological Archives, Smithsonian Institution

Restrictions

The collection is open for research.

Access to the collection requires an appointment.

Conditions Governing Use

Contact the repository for terms of use.

Scope and Contents

The collection consists of five (5) paintings of dugout canoes held by the Department of Anthropology object collections.

Three drawings are of a Tlingit canoe (see USNM Number E168115). The catalog record for the canoe states that these drawings were made by Bill Holm.

Two drawings are of a Kwakwaka'wakw canoe (see USNM Number E26785-0). The catalog card for the canoe states: "In 1959 this canoe had badly deteriorated and the museum had the woodwork completely restored by the professional shipwright of the Eastern Shore of Chesapeake Bay, James B. Richardson. The original painted designs

had faded, but from old photos could be recovered and drawings were made for this purpose (now in National Anthropological Archives). The repainting of the designs on the canoe were done by Mr. Peter Rosock of the Anthro. Lab (under Mr. Joseph Andrews)."

Please note that the contents of the collection and the language and terminology used reflect the context and culture of the time of its creation. As an historical document, its contents may be at odds with contemporary views and terminology and considered offensive today. The information within this collection does not reflect the views of the Smithsonian Institution or National Anthropological Archives, but is available in its original form to facilitate research.

Local Numbers

NAA MS 168115

Variant Title

Previously titled "Kwakiutl dugout canoe and Haida dugout canoe."

Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:

- Canoes and canoeing
- Kwakwaka'wakw (Kwakiutl)
- Tlingit [Stikine]

Cultures:

- Kwakwaka'wakw (Kwakiutl)
- Tlingit [Stikine]

Types of Materials:

- Paintings
- Works of art

Places:

- North America

Container Listing

Prow of Tlingit canoe with bear and abstract motifs

1 Paintings (visual works) (23 x 13 inches)

[Image\(s\): Draftsman's Rendition of Painted Prow of Dugout Canoe with Bear and Abstract Motifs Painting](#)

[Image\(s\): Draftsman's Rendition of Painted Prow of Dugout Canoe with Bear and Abstract Motifs Painting](#)

Notes: NAA INV 08599100

Prow of Tlingit canoe with bear and abstract motifs

1 Paintings (visual works) (23 x 13 inches)

[Image\(s\): Draftsman's Rendition of Painted Prow of Dugout Canoe with Bear and Abstract Motifs Painting](#)

[Image\(s\): Draftsman's Rendition of Painted Prow of Dugout Canoe with Bear and Abstract Motifs Painting](#)

Notes: NAA INV 08599200

Tlingit canoe with bear and abstract motifs

1 Paintings (visual works) (28 x 10 inches)

[Image\(s\): Draftsman's Rendition of Painted Dugout Canoe with Bear And Abstract Motifs Painting](#)

[Image\(s\): Draftsman's Rendition of Painted Dugout Canoe with Bear And Abstract Motifs Painting](#)

Notes: NAA INV 08599300

Kwakwaka'wakw canoe with animal and abstract motifs

1 Paintings (visual works) (17 x 10 inches)

[Image\(s\): Draftsman's Rendition of Painted Dug-Out Canoe with Animal And Abstract Motifs Painting](#)

[Image\(s\): Draftsman's Rendition of Painted Dug-Out Canoe with Animal And Abstract Motifs Painting](#)

Notes: NAA INV 08599500

Prow of Kwakwaka'wakw canoe with bear and abstract motifs

1 Drawings (visual works) (22 x 13 inches)

[Image\(s\): Draftsman's Rendition of Painted Prow of Dugout Canoe with Bear and Abstract Motifs Painting](#)

[Image\(s\): Draftsman's Rendition of Painted Prow of Dugout Canoe with Bear and Abstract Motifs Painting](#)

Notes: NAA INV 08599400