

# 2025 PACIFIC NORTHWEST TRIBAL CANOE JOURNEY

**This July, Indigenous Bridges/ ATAYAL  
will once again assist a delegation of  
Taiwan's Indigenous People in attending  
the Pacific Northwest Tribal Canoe  
Journey.**





# INTRO

Founded in 2001, the ATAYAL Organization is one of the oldest 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations dedicated to Indigenous culture exchanges and the transfer of indigenous knowledge from the elders to the youth. To meet the evolving needs of Indigenous communities and the world, our activities are also preparing young leaders to be problems-solvers, tackling issues such as climate change and erosion of cultural identity. To meet these needs, the ATAYAL Organization is proud to offer its Indigenous Youth Ambassador Program (IBYAP).

This year we need your support to bring our Indigenous youth ambassadors to the 2025 Tribal Canoe Journey.

**Join Us in Supporting a Transformative Cultural Exchange!**





# TRIBAL CANOE JOURNEY

The annual Tribal Canoe Journey is one of the largest cultural events in the Indigenous world, with the coastal tribes of the Pacific Northwest gathering to celebrate their traditional canoe culture with their youth. The Journey has been a yearly event in the Pacific Northwest since 1989.



Canoe families from various coastal regions including Alaska, British Columbia, Washington State, Oregon, Hawaii and California paddle their canoes for up to two weeks visiting each tribal home as they journey to the host tribe for the final protocol.

This is our 6<sup>th</sup> journey. As we join our Nisqually Canoe family, we are given tents and a sleeping bag and we set off. The participants paddle each day to a different reservation, where they share their culture through music and dance, while enjoying the “potlatch” hospitality of the host tribe.





TIMELINE

<div><div></div><div>"OUR JOURNEY VI" 2025 JULY</div><div></div></div>						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29	30	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13 Gary Kate Arrive	14	15	16	17	18	19 DEPART ALT
20 Arrival Hotel	21 blessing Hotel meet family	22 BURKE Hotel	23 Join Canoe Family Depart Blessing, repair outfitting	24 Puyallup	25 Muckleshoot	26 Suquamish ferry?
27 Suquamish	28 Port Gamble	29 Port Townsend	30 Jamestown	31 Lower Elwha	1 PROTOCOL	2 PROTOCOL
3 PROTOCOL	4 PROTOCOL DEPART ALT FLT TIME SENSITIVE	5 PROTOCOL DEPARTURE	6 Gary Departs	7	8	9



# COST

## 2025 PACIFIC NORTHWEST TRIBAL CANOE JOURNEY

Airfare:	6 X 47,000 (appx) =	US\$8,300	NT\$272,000
Hotel:	We usually stay in tents on the Journey but first couple of days need to acclimate: 3 days X 2 rooms =	US\$915	NT\$30,000
Car Rental:	1 car duration of visit.		
Car Appx:	(Borrowing/renting truck {my brothers} to tow Tatala) Truck if necessary	US\$1,434 US\$458	NT\$47,000 {NT\$15,000}
Gas:	NT\$15,000 2 vehicles (300 miles total appx)		
Food:	14 days:	US\$915	NT\$30,000
Tatala repair fund:		US\$305	NT\$10,000
Misc:		US\$458	NT\$15,000
Total NT\$		US\$13,000	NT\$419,000
Total US\$			US\$13,000*





# IMPORTANCE

The Tribal Canoe Journey is a powerful event that brings together Indigenous communities to celebrate traditional knowledge, foster unity, and promote cultural revitalization. For Indigenous Taiwanese youth, participating in this journey offers an unparalleled opportunity to:

- Engage in traditional canoeing practices alongside Indigenous peers.
- Share their unique cultural heritage with a broader audience.
- Build lasting relationships that transcend borders.

This experience empowers youth to tap into their cultural identity while also development leadership skills and a global perspective.





# DONATE

Your support is crucial in bringing this transformative experience to life. We offer various donation tiers, each with its own recognition:

- Any Amount: Tax-deductible receipt.
- \$100 - Tax-deductible receipt.
- \$200 - Social media acknowledgment.
- \$500 - Website recognition and social media acknowledgment.
- \$1,000 - Certificate of recognition, website recognition, and social media acknowledgment.
- \$5,000 - Special Indigenous gift, certificate of recognition, website recognition, and social media acknowledgment.
- \$10,000 - Personalized recognition, special Indigenous gift, certificate of recognition, website recognition, and social media acknowledgment.

## Donation Methods

- Online: Donate via PayPal at [www.indigenousbridges.org/fundraise](http://www.indigenousbridges.org/fundraise)
- By Mail: Send checks payable to ATAYAL to:

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