

# Tsu heidi shugaxtootaan

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These are the words of George Davis, who was a clan leader, a true historian and an advocate for the survival of the Lingit language and culture. This song came from a powerful speech he gave regarding the survival of the Lingit culture. The container of wisdom holds our Lingit traditions, culture, language, oratory, it is Haa Kusteeyi, our way of life. He is saying, we will open this box, we will learn our traditions, we will value our culture, we will continue our way of life. We will not let it die.

Translation: We will open it again. This container of wisdom. Left in our hands.

Song caller: Tsu heidi shugaxtootaan

Everyone: Tsu heidi shugaxtootaan

ya yaa koosge daakeit  
haa jeex' a nak  
has kawdik'eet'

ei.hei.eh.hei.ei--

ei. hei. ei. hei.    eh. hei. ei. hei. ei.  
ei. hei. ei. hei.    eh. hei. ei. hei. ei.

**ei. hei.** ei. hei.    eh. hei. ei. hei. ei.  
**ei. hei.** ei. hei.    eh. hei. ei. hei. ei.