

Gudangee Xahl Amelia Rea

Amelia belongs to the Tsiits Git'anee clan from Old Massett, Haida Gwaii. Amelia is a Haida Nation-based scholar, being immersed in Haida language, singing, dancing, and repatriation all of her life. As a lifelong member of the Haida Repatriation Committee, following the lead of her mom, aunties, and elders; she has spent much of her life in museums, in ceremony or potlatches, conferences, language classes, or across the kitchen table with elders and cultural bearers. This has instilled in her a deep love and passion for her Haida culture, community, and storytelling. Alongside her mom, Amelia has helped create a Haida language mobile app with nearly 6000 phrases in Xaad Kil. A young learner of the Haida language, Amelia is a big advocate for language revitalization and preservation which has given her a great sense of responsibility to bring forward the teachings, stories, and language shared with her to future generations.