

# Basic Detail Report

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## Argillite Totem Pole

### Date

1899

### Medium

argillite

### Description

model totem pole, of argillite, carved from a solid block with figures surmounting a flat base, and a hollowed back. a female shaman stands on top, wearing a headdress, dance apron, and holding a rattle in each hand. she wears a large labret, and her face is wrinkled at the corners of mouth and eyes. headdress is crested, with marking of claws on her left side and feathers (split u forms) on her right. she stands on the back of an eagle, whose wings are held back, and whose head twists back to its left. the eagle stands on or holds a salmon, which is placed horizontally, its tail at the right edge and open mouth touching the left. bottom figure has head of a bear, with

wings, and an inverted symmetric tail, as of a whale, coming from base of pole.

### Dimensions

Other: 44.1 × 8 × 7 cm (17 3/8 × 3 1/8 × 2 3/4 in.)