



**Alaska Native Brotherhood Hall National Historic Landmark
Sitka, Alaska**

Alaska Native Brotherhood (ANB), Sitka Camp No. 1, is the original chapter of local camps in Alaska and the Pacific Northwest. Founded in 1912, the ANB developed out of the efforts of Tlingit communities to fight bans against Alaska Natives in restaurants and movie theaters. For the first half of the 20th century the Alaska Native Brotherhood (with the Alaska Native Sisterhood founded in 1915) was the only organization representing the interests of Alaska Natives. ANB was instrumental in gaining full U.S. citizenship for Alaska Natives in 1924, and with fighting racial segregation practices that resulted in the Alaska legislature passing the first anti-discrimination law in the nation in 1946. Today, the Alaska Native Brotherhood/Sisterhood camps are an important force in preserving indigenous heritage. The Sitka ANB Hall continues to serve the community as a camp headquarters and is available to the public for social events and community activities.