Tribalsite -- A forum for traditional tribal cultures, ethnographic art, and alternative natural remedies, from around the world.

tribalphoto.com -- tribalphoto.com is a photographic resource that supports tribal survival, the defense of human rights and cultural autonomy of indigenous people.

Tribaltrappings - Specializes in the artifacts of the world's tribal cultures especially those in SE Asia, Indonesia, Central Asia and the Middle East. Check tattoo items in Antiques/Tools & Weapons.

Australian Museum's - Body Art -- about universality, diversity and antiquity: concepts of beauty: identity and transformation: meaning and significance of symbols: and pain, endurance and rites of passage.

Early Archaeological Evidence of Tattoos in Neolithic Europe -- An ancient clay figure of the lower half of a male body believed to date back to the Stone Age has been discovered in eastern Germany, archaeologists said... The statue, dubbed the Adonis of Zschernitz, details a male body from the waist to the calves, and is the first such representation of a man to be found in the area, believed to date from 5,000 BC. The Adonis also has deliberate cuts along its bottom, which, Miss Oexle said, are not indications of clothing but probably represent tattoos...

Skin Stories - The Art and Culture of Polynesian Tattoo -- Skin Stories is an anthology of stories and stunning images gathered from the hot spots of Pacific tattoo: from the steaming landscape of Rotorua in New Zealand to the vibrant gathering of the first international tattoo convention in Apia, Samoa; from

the terraced, lush taro fields of Maui to the golden beaches of O'ahu and California.

Samoa - Tattoos -- Some basic information about the tattooing procedure in Samoa. Drawings of tattoos from Samoa, a photograph of the implements used in Samoa for tattooing and the traditional song sung in Samoa while men are receiving the pe'a

TATAU: THE TAHITIAN REVIVAL **--** Tricia Allen's 1998 article on the revival of the Tahitian tattoo

Tongan Tatatau tradition -- Dedicated to preserving a once important part of Tongan culture, in an area that is usually associated with Samoan or Tahitian traditions.

Ta Moko -- News, articles and events. Very informative site

Easter Island Tattoos -- Some of the traditional designs and bit of history

Tiki-Styles - Polynesian tattoo designs, meanings and their origins -- information concerning Polynesian art of tattooing. Lots of tattoo designs and flashes. Everything about origin and meanings of Polynesian tattoo. T-shirt Shop. Site in English & German

History-induced Stigma: The Role of Tattoos in Japanese Society **--** Ex cellent overview of the history of tattooing in Japan, the current feelings about having a tattoo and much more! Well written and researched -- recommended reading!

The Art of the Japanese Tattoo -- The Japanese tattoo is an ancient art. Haniwa, small clay figurines, some bearing facial tattoos, have been found in tombs that date from the fourth or fifth century. It is thought that the tattoo signified social rank or warded off evil spirits and wild animals. Over time, the custom faded and it became the fate of criminals, in the old Chinese manner, to be tattooed on the face as a form of punishment.

Tattoo History and Culture in early Japan -- The most comprehensive record of early Japan that remains was written by the Chinese some time before A.D. 300. It portrays the Japanese as law-abiding people, fond of drink, concerned with divination and ritual purity, familiar with agriculture (including wet-rice cultivation), expert at fishing and weaving, and living in a society where social differences were expressed through the use of tattooing or other bodily markings.

Ancient Egyptian Tattoos -- Written records, physical remains, and works of art relevant to Egyptian tattoo have virtually been ignored by earlier Egyptologists influenced by prevailing social attitudes toward the medium.

Beauty Secrets of the Egyptians -- Tattoos in Ancient Egypt, this article is devoted to ancient and permanent body adornment.

Body Piercing, Tattoos and the Image of God -- Sermon given April 24, 1998, by Rabbi Barry H. Block

Religion and Spirituality -- I started my search by looking for the word “tattoo” in the Bible. The King James Version never mentions it, and the New International Version and the New King James Version mention it only once, in Leviticus 19:28...

Tattoos in India -- Tattooing is widely practiced among the Adivasis of Madhya Pradesh

Tattooing amongst Chinese minorities -- The Chinese Drung and Dai minorities have ancient tattoo customs inherited from their ancestors.

Tattoo in Chinese history -- tattoo is called "Wen Shen" or "Ci Shen" in Chinese. The term means literally "puncture the body".

Tattoo History Source Book -- Steve Gilbert's extensively researched site has a **lot of info**

Percy Waters Studio - Detroit 1920's -- Images from the studio of one of the grand masters of American Tattooing

A Unique Part of History -- At one time tattoos were only accepted among sailors, bikers or freaks. Today it seems like almost everyone has a tattoo. Hell, your mom's probably got one in a place you don't want to know about...

North America's Wichita Tribe -- Historical overview of the Wichita people that includes mention of their tattooing practices

NOVA Online -- Ice Mummies: Siberian Ice Maiden -- Some of the earliest examples of tattooing

NOVA Online -- Transcripts | Ice Mummies: Return of the Iceman

Nationalgeographic.com -- Resource for scientific discovery, travel, exploration, photography, maps, and news, featuring multimedia applications, live webcams, educational tools, and an online store from the National Geographic Society.

American Museum of Modern History **--** Body Art: Marks of Identity Lots of facts and resources

The National Museum of Natural History -- Smithsonian Institution

The Museum of Anthropology at U.B.C. **--** information about and access to cultural objects from around the world, with emphasis on the achievements and concerns of the First Peoples and British Columbia's cultural communities