**7. The 7 chief Loa: Tinyo Alawe head of the hospital.**

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| Tinyo Alawe |

Quite and ever present, the loa of Indio/Taino origin, Tinyo Alawe expresses the values of the river the Taino people venerate so much. Tinyo Alwae *almost* never speaks, and in some lineages of Vodou, he *never* speaks. He communicates through intelligent hand gestures with deeply layered meaning, and to the priesthood and the baptized, Tinyo Alawe speaks telepathically. Tinyo Alawe is an exceedingly elevated loa, on the same level with Belie Belcan. Like the relationship between Archangel Michael and Belie Belcan, Tinyo Alawe shares a similarly close working relationship with Archangel Raphael. Tinyo Alawe and Archangel Raphael are so intertwined in purpose, Archangel Raphael shares his image with Tinjo Alawe.  
  
Tinjo Alawe is from the Taino people. He is a loa who is not of African origin. Within Dominican and Puerto-Rican traditions of Vodou, 1/3 of the loa are from the Taino, Caribbean and Arawak indio people. Tinjo Alawe is the head of that grand Indio Division, or Nation, of spirits, and loa/mysteries (mysterios). A spiritual healer par-excellence and stalwart guardian. Tinyo Alawe enjoys standing in the background, and silently observing, his keen eyes on the look out for danger. From Indio Nation comes a powerful spirit called El Rei del Agua Dulce (King of the Sweet Waters), who shares the image of John the Baptist, it is through the authority of Tinyo Alawe which El Rei del Aqua Dulce licenses the initiating baptisms  essential to Vodou. Without Tinyo Alawe there could be no transmission of Vodou,  
  
Tinjo Alawe is the embodiment of walk softly but carry a big stick. His quite demeanor, and easy going nature,(common among Indio peoples), sadly makes others consider him a push over. Nothing could be further from the truth. His tranquility can become an earth trembling war cry, complete with stone ax, bow and arrow and war club.  
  
Tinjo Alawe can be consulted for any reason, but is regularly called on for healing, purification, good fortunes, spiritual progression and protection.  
  
Do you feel called to know more about or work deeper with Tinyo Alawe? If so, consider joining out [temple](https://www.patreon.com/shedofrebellion).  
  
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Papa Machete que gana todas las batallas  
  
*"The Machete leads the way and defends ALL who follow"*