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Reconstructed Chumash canoe, the *Helek* (or *Yelex*) putting out to sea at Santa Barbara on February 25, 1976. The *Helek*, which means "hawk," was built for the Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History by Peter and Jane Howorth, Harry Davis, and members of the Quabajai Chumash Indian Association of Santa Barbara under the direction of Dee Travis Hudson, working from John Peabody Harrington's extensive notes with additional data drawn from historical and archaeological sources. The five crewmen, all of Chumash descent, are (from prow to stern): John Ruiz (*Thot Hokanay-oh*), Kote Lotah, Frank Gutierrez (*Kuic*), Victor Gutierrez (*Slo'w*), and Manuel Estrada (*Ak-he-wo*). Their costumes, which they made themselves, represent *'antap* regalia. Photo by Rick Terry, Brooks Institute of Photography.