

**American Indian History Symposium
Sacramento State
March 5-6, 2009**

Greetings All,

We will host a two-day American Indian History Symposium “Guardians of Knowledge - Guardians of the Past,” on March 5-6, 2009 at Sacramento State. While the symposium shall include topics in the larger American Indian History field, particular attention will be given to California Indian History and Choctaw history. The speakers represent a broad spectrum of topics and will travel from various parts of the United States. Dr. Charles Roberts (Choctaw), Professor in History and Native American Studies, Sacramento State, will be retiring after thirty-nine years of service. We will honor and recognize his contributions to our field and to the university.

In addition to the speakers there will be an exhibit in the Anthropology museum (Mendocino Hall 1000). The exhibit is entitled “Envisioning American Indian Histories: Art, Object, Text” curated by Terri Castaneda, museum Director. On Thursday evening, March 5th there will be a reception at the exhibit from 4:30-6:00pm. Also both March 5th and 6th Native American arts/crafts vendors will be in the Redwood room and books by the speakers will be for sale at the Hinde. The symposium closes with a ticketed banquet on Friday evening March 6th.

Frank LaPena, Wintu, emeritus Professor of Art, Ethnic Studies and former director of Native American Studies, has given permission to use one of his paintings for the symposium’s theme. Native historians have a special responsibility of guarding and interpreting the past. His painting will appear on posters and on the program.

Below is a list of scholars who are confirmed to present. With this announcement our goal is to provide all with an overview and hope that you will be able to attend in March. A detailed schedule is available on the web site.

Donna Akers – University of Nebraska
Rebecca Bales – CSU, Monterey Bay
Will Bauer – University of Wyoming
Kenny Brown – University of Central Oklahoma
Myla Vicenti Carpio – Arizona State University
Brenda Child – University of Minnesota
Julia Coates – University of California, Davis
Steven Crum – University of California, Davis
David Edmunds – University of Texas, Dallas
Jack Forbes – University of California, Davis
Matt Franklin – Chairperson Ione
Joe Giovannetti – Humboldt State University
Clara Sue Kidwell – University of North Carolina

Nikki Myers Lim – National Indian Justice Center
Frank La Pena – Emeritus, Sacramento State
Amy Lonetree – University of CA, Santa Cruz
Stella Mancillas – University of CA, Davis
Lissa McKee – Cal Trans
Susan Miller – Independent Scholar
Jacki Rand – University of Iowa
Charles Roberts – Sacramento State
Rose Soza War Soldier – Arizona State University
Mary Tarango – Chairperson Wilton
Edward Valandra – University of South Dakota
Terry Wilson - Emeritus, UC Berkeley
Tim Wright – University of Washington

For Additional information: www.csus.edu/nas

You may also contact Annette Reed at alreed@csus.edu

We look forward to an exciting symposium!

Respectfully,

Annette Reed, Charles Roberts and Steven Crum, Co-Symposium Coordinators
The Symposium Planning Committee
The Symposium Sponsors
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California State University, Sacramento