



Tulsa AIRC honors Dr. Henrietta Mann

Tulsa City-County Library's American Indian Resource Center will induct Dr. Henrietta Mann into the Circle of Honor during a special presentation March 3, 2018, 10:30 a.m. at Zarrow Regional Library, 2224 W. 51st St.

The Circle of Honor award presentation begins a monthlong celebration honoring the achievements and accomplishments of Native Americans. Programs will be held throughout TCCL locations during March. All library events are free and open to the public.

Dr. Mann is full-blood Cheyenne and was the founding President of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribal College. As a leading expert on American Indian Studies, she has lectured throughout the United States, Canada, Germany, New Zealand, the United Kingdom, Spain, The Netherlands and Belgium.

Both of Mann's great-grandmothers survived the Sand Creek Massacre of 1864 in Colorado Territory, when a Calvary of more than 500 men attacked and destroyed their village. She attributes her determination for equality to being a descendant of a strong line of survivors.

Dr. Mann is a sought after educator and has taught at the University of Montana - Missoula; the University of California - Berkeley; Harvard University; and Haskell Indian Nations University. She served as Director of the Office of Indian Education Programs and Deputy to the Assistant Secretary for the Bureau of Indian Affairs. She was the National Coordinator of the American Indian Religious Freedom Act Coalition for the Association of American Indian Affairs.

"We are excited for the Circle of Honor event to return home to Zarrow Regional Library where the American Indian Resource Center is located," said Teresa Runnels, American Indian Resource Center coordinator. "It's the perfect homecoming honor for Dr. Mann who is a tireless advocate for American Indian education, rights and equality. She is truly one of the greatest elders who thrives on sharing her knowledge."

The Circle of Honor ceremony recognizes an American Indian for his or her achievements by acknowledging the inductee's contributions that have enriched others' lives and by celebrating the inductee's action in the face of adversity, commitment to the preservation of American Indian culture and legacy for future generations.

For more information on the Circle of Honor ceremony, call the AskUs Hotline, 918-549-7323, or visit the library's website, <http://tulsalibrary.org/airc>.

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All tribes are invited to participate.

