

2015 BATTLE OF SAN JACINTO SYMPOSIUM

A CLASH OF CULTURES

American Indians in Spanish, Mexican and Anglo Texas History



As principal chief of Texas Cherokees, Chief Bowl (also called Chief Bowles) or Duwali, tried repeatedly to negotiate title to his tribe's lands in East Texas. Image courtesy Texas State Library and Archives Commission.

Juliana Barr: "Indian Sovereignty and a Clash of Nations"

Barr covers the broad range of cultural, linguistic and political groups already in Texas when Europeans arrived – and how these Indian nations used trade, raiding, hunting, kinship, enmity and alliance to create and maintain borders and exercise power. Dr. Barr, associate professor of history at the University of Florida, is the author of *Peace Came in the Form of a Woman: Indians and Spaniards in the Texas Borderlands* (University of North Carolina Press, 2007).

F. Todd Smith: "Jacksonian Indian Policy and the Texas Republic"

Debunking the notion of "Texas exceptionalism" as it pertains to Indian policy, Smith explores how Texas experienced the same infusion of Anglo Protestants as the rest of the Gulf South following the War of 1812, and how Anglos established complete domination as they wrested power from Spain and Mexico and expelled the Native Americans. Smith is professor of history at the University of North Texas. His writings on the Caddo and Wichita tribes have won numerous awards.

Sheri Shuck-Hall: "Immigrant Tribes of Texas and the Fight for Land"

What was the process of resettling immigrant Southeastern tribes – Alabama, Coushatta, Cherokee and others—in Texas? Why were some expelled and others allowed to stay? Shuck-Hall's major book, *Journey to the West: The Alabama and Coushatta Indians*, is part of the Civilization of the American Indian Series published by the University of Oklahoma Press. She is associate professor of history at Christopher Newport University in Newport News, Virginia.

Who were the Native Americans who lived in the land we now call Texas? How did they react when Spaniards, Mexicans, Anglo-Americans and, yes, other Indians, made their way onto – some say "invaded" – their lands? How did these interactions affect the development of Texas under Spain, Mexico, Republic of Texas and the United States?

Six scholars at the 15th annual San Jacinto Symposium break this complex subject into manageable pieces: Indian sovereignties; the Caddo tribes; the Plains tribes; the Alabama-Coushatta, Cherokee and other immigrant tribes; and the Cynthia Ann Parker case and its mythology.



Saturday, April 18, 2015

9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The United Way Community Resource Center

50 Waugh Drive

Houston, TX 77007

\$65 covers speakers, lunch, parking, exhibits and more

Thomas Britten: "Uneasy Allies: Lipan Apaches and the Republic of Texas"

Britten examines why the Lipan Apaches experienced considerable difficulty in establishing relationships with other Texas tribes, such as Comanches, Mescalero Apaches and Hasinai Caddos, in the first decades of the 19th century – but got along relatively well with settlers in the new Republic of Texas. Britten, associate professor of history, University of Texas-Brownsville, is the author of *The Lipan Apaches: People of Wind and Lightning* (University of New Mexico Press, 2009).

Brian DeLay: "War of a Thousand Deserts: Comanches, the Texas Revolution and the U.S.-Mexican War"

Accounts of the Texas Rebellion and the U.S.-Mexican War spend few words on Indians – even Comanches, the mightiest and most populous of the region's native peoples. DeLay, associate professor of history at University of California at Berkeley, explains why pressures from U.S. expansion and the success of the Texas Rebellion convinced Comanches to embark on a devastating series of raids into Mexico and how these affected the fates of three nations and the region's other native peoples. DeLay was awarded a Guggenheim Foundation Fellowship for the 2013-2014 academic year.

Paul Carlson: "Cynthia Ann Parker and the Comanche-Anglo Collision in Texas"

The story of ten-year-old Cynthia Ann Parker's capture by, integration into, and eventual forced removal from the Comanches is the stuff of legend (and movies) – which may conflict with scholarship. But in areas of historic Texas-Comanche relationships, a new consensus may be emerging – one that accepts historic relations warts and all. Carlson is professor of history emeritus at Texas Tech University. Of his 18 books, *The Plains Indians* (1998) was named one of the 100 most outstanding books on the American West of the 20th Century.

2015 Battle of San Jacinto Symposium Registration Form

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