El Camino Real de los Tejas Education Workshops

SPEAKERS LIST

Participants will learn from faculty, staff and researchers from across the region, including: the Caddo Lake Institute, National Park Service, Stephen F. Austin State University, Texas Department of Transportation, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, and Texas State University, San Marcos.



George Avery is the Cultural Heritage Resource Coordinator with the Center for Regional Heritage Research at Stephen F. Austin State University. Dr. Avery received his doctorate in Anthropology at the University of Florida and has worked as a contract archeologist in the Midwest, southwest, northeast and southeastern U.S., and has completed grant-funded field work in the Dominican Republic and Haiti. Site excavations and survey cover a wide range of time periods, including late Paleo-Indian, Archaic, Basketmaker, Late Woodland, Anasazi, Mississippian, 15th century Spanish contact, 17th century French contact, 18th century Spanish colonial, and early 20th century sites. From 1995 to 2005, Dr. Avery was the Station Archaeologist at Los Adaes State Historic Site in Louisiana—18th century capitol of Texas. His research interests

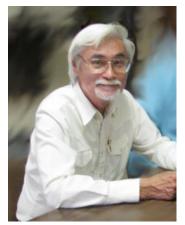
include Spanish colonial archaeology, ceramic technology, archival archaeology, and gravestone studies. (Dr. Avery will speak at both venues.)



Susan Calafate Boyle received her doctorate in American Social History from University of Missouri-Columbia. A Fulbright scholar, Dr. Boyle continues to work as an independent researcher focusing on socioeconomic developments in New Mexico during the 19th century and the social history of Ste. Genevieve, a French community on the Mississippi, south of St. Louis. As a National Park Service employee, Dr. Boyle has worked on a wide range of topics, such as general management plans, interpretive plans, heritage tourism, the study of cultural landscapes and linear resources and the development of effective strategies for successful partnerships. She is currently working as a historian for the National Trails Intermountain Region in Santa Fe. (*Dr. Boyle will speak at both venues.*)



Jesús (Frank) de la Teja is Regents' Professor of History at Texas State University-San Marcos. He has published extensively on Spanish, Mexican, and Republic-era Texas, most recently an edited volume of biographies, Tejano Leadership in Mexican and Revolutionary Texas, and is book review editor for the Southwestern Historical Quarterly. He served as the inaugural Texas State Historian (2007-2009), and has been president of the Texas State Historical Association. Currently he serves on the board of directors of Humanities Texas. He is a recipient of the Americanism Medal from the Daughters of the American Revolution, a Fellow of the Texas State Historical Association and the Texas Catholic Historical Society, and a member of the Philosophical Society of Texas and the Texas Institute of Letters. (Dr. de la Teja will speak at the Victoria, Texas workshop only.)



Al McGraw has worked in Texas archeology for over 30 years and has studied various historic Texas trails for more than two decades. He is a regional staff archeologist in the Environmental Affairs Division of the Texas Department of Transportation, Austin. This work includes ensuring state and federal compliance for the management of cultural resources for transportation projects from the Texas Hill Country to the Gulf of Mexico. Recognized as one of the state's more knowledgeable researchers of historic trails, he has worked with the Texas General Land Office, the Texas Historical Commission, the National Park Service, local governments, and professional historians on the subject and has received a number of historic preservation awards. His study, A Texas Legacy, The Old San Antonio Road and the Camino Reales, A Tricentennial History played a key role in the route's later federal designation

as a national historic trail. Al McGraw is the author of numerous archeological publications and public presentations on the caminos reales including symposia at the annual meetings of the Texas State Historical Association and the Texas Archeological Society. His favorite presentation that he gave in 2011 was titled, Almost True Stories of Texas History. One of his favorite expressions is, "...history repeats itself and historians repeat each other. And archeologists repeat historians." (Mr. McGraw will speak at both venues.)



Jim Neal is the Program Director for the Caddo Lake Institute, and recently retired from the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service where he was the Migratory Bird Management Specialist. He has worked on a variety of projects involving conservation and heritage resources including Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's Caddo Lake Initiative, The Nature Conservancy in Texas, The US Army Corps of Engineers in Chicago, for environmental consulting firms in Denver and Dallas, and the Texas Water Quality Board. (Mr. Neal will speak at both venues.)



Rolonda Teal is an anthropologist with expertise in plantation systems and the African Diaspora. As the Co-Founder of Cultural Lore, an anthropological consulting agency, she has worked with numerous cultural groups, nonprofit organizations, and local and government entities in project planning and development, grant writing, and grass-roots organization, including Cane River National Heritage Area, Cane River Creole National Historical Park, and Louisiana Regional Folklife Center. Ms. Teal submitted the successful nomination of the Cammie G. Henry Research Center at Northwestern State University at Louisiana for inclusion on the National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom Program. She published African Americans in Natchitoches Parish (2007), and has writings in The Encyclopedia of Slave Resistance and Rebellions (2007), and Southern Studies: An Interdisciplinary

Journal of the South (2002). Teal received her B.A. in Anthropology from Northwestern State University at Louisiana and her M.A. in Anthropology from the University of Houston. (Ms. Teal will speak at the Natchitoches, LA workshop only.)



Amie Treuer-Kuehn earned a masters degree in Biology with a focus on Plant Ecology from the University of Texas at Arlington. Prior to her career at TPWD, she taught an undergraduate Plant Science course and worked as a field research assistant in Alaska and Texas. Amie currently works with the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department as Plant Ecologist and is involved in a five-year survey whose ambitious goal is to map the vegetation systems of Texas with unprecedented accuracy. (Ms. Treuer-Kuehn will speak at the Victoria, Texas workshop only.)



Ramona A. Wynder is an instructor of education and the Transition to Teaching Facilitator at Northwestern State University (NSU) of Louisiana in the College of Education and Human Development. She teaches undergraduate courses and provides support for candidates enrolled in the alternate certification program. Wynder received her undergraduate degree in Elementary and Special Education and her Master's of Education in Educational Leadership from NSU. She has 16 years of public school teaching experience, spanning various grade levels and subject areas. For the past five years, Wynder has worked with the NSU Creole Heritage Center on several heritage education projects and helped develop curriculum to be used to educate the public about the Creole culture.

(Ms. Wynder will speak at the Natchitoches, LA workshop only.)