

Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribal College President Inauguration this Thursday at SWOSU

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Dr. Henrietta Mann

Dr. Henrietta Mann will be inaugurated as the first president of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribal College this Thursday, April 3, on the Southwestern Oklahoma State University campus.

The ceremony will begin at 2 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center Ballroom on the Weatherford campus. The public is invited and encouraged to attend.

Dr. C. Blu Clark of Oklahoma City University will be guest speaker. The investiture will involve members of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, SWOSU President John Hays and other SWOSU representatives as well as community/civic leaders from around Oklahoma.

Mann is a full-blood Cheyenne who has been serving as interim president of the tribal college that was established in August 2006 through the joint efforts of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes and SWOSU.

Mann was honored in 1988 as the National American Indian Woman of the Year and Rolling Stone magazine named her one of the 10 leading professors in the nation. She was the first individual to fill the Endowed Chair in Native American Studies at Montana State University in Bozeman. Prior to that, she was director/professor of Native American Studies at the University of Montana in Missoula.

Some of the other institutions included in her 30 years of administrative and teaching duties are the University of California at Berkeley, Graduate School of Education at Harvard University, and Haskell Indian Nations University (KS).

Mann has received numerous prestigious awards and has been active in Indian affairs throughout the nation.

She is a SWOSU graduate who is a member of the SWOSU Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame.

The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribal College is about to complete its second year on the SWOSU campus.