

Twelfth Annual Southeast Indian Studies Conference

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North Carolina, United States

Subject Fields:

Indigenous Studies, Literature, Native American History / Studies, Health and Health Care, Art, Art History & Visual Studies

The purpose of the Southeast Indian Studies Conference is to provide a forum for discussion of the culture, history, art, health and contemporary issues of Native Americans in the Southeast. The conference serves as a critical venue for scholars, students and all persons interested in American Indian Studies in the region.

Keynote Speaker

LeAnne Howe is the author of novels, plays, poetry, screenplays, and scholarship that deal with Native experiences. A Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma citizen, her latest book, *Choctalking on Other Realities* (2013) won the inaugural 2014 MLA Prize for Studies in Native American Literatures, Cultures, and Languages. She received the Western Literature Association's 2015 Distinguished Achievement Award for her body of work. Other awards include the Fulbright Scholarship 2010-2011 to Jordan; the 2012 Lifetime Achievement Award from the Native Writers Circle of the Americas; American Book Award 2002, and a 2012 United States Artists Ford Fellowship, an award that carries a stipend of \$50,000. She's the Eidson Distinguished Professor of American Literature in English at the University of Georgia. Howe's current projects include a new poetry book, *Savage Conversations*; a new novel set in the Middle East, and *Searching for Sequoyah*, a documentary film with Ojibwe filmmaker, James M. Fortier, and the Director of the Native American Institute Dr. Jace Weaver. Filming begins in Oklahoma in March 2016.

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