**Invitation to Texas Teachers**

**Experience Comanche Culture, History, Arts, & Geography**

Presentations, Field Trips, Instructional Materials, Celebration, Professional Development

**Dates:** Thursday, July 16, 2015 (3 p.m.) – Sunday, July 19, 2015 (10 a.m.)

**Where:** Comanche National Museum & Cultural Center

Southwest Oklahoma/Lawton, OK

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Comanche National Museum and Cultural Center Educational Programs

with support from Texas Tech University & Texas Alliance for Geographic Education

**Special features** of 3-day institute:

- Interactive sessions with Comanche artists, historians, cultural interpreters
- Field trips to significant Comanche landmarks around Lawton, including Ft. Sill & Medicine Park
- Behind the scenes tours at CNMCC, Quanah Parker’s Star House, and historic Ft. Sill Indian School
- Summer Comanche Pow wow
- Lodging at Red River Hotel and Casino
- Continuing Education Credits (through Texas Tech University)
- Demonstrations of instructional materials in Comanche Nation Museum and Cultural Center’s **new** Traveling Trunks
- Application of integrated, interactive classroom geography lessons with new GIANT Traveling Map of Texas (available academic year 2015-2016)
- **Curriculum** Resources Packet for classroom use

**Cost:** Through the generosity of the Tribe and funding from IMLS Grant, lodging and 2 meals will be provided; each participant will receive $150 stipend for transportation to and from Lawton. **Registration:** $20 due when accepted for institute to confirm CEU registration. Full attendance required Thursday p.m.—Sunday a.m.

**Co-Directors of Summer Institute:** Candy Morgan, Museum Director/Grant Manager at Comanche Nation Museum & Cultural Center. Candy manages programs at the museum and multiple activities involving the tribe. Her family lives in Lawton, and she has grown up within the culture of the region. Additionally, she brings knowledge of museums and public relations to event planning.

Reese Todd, Educator/Facilitator with academic degrees in Curriculum & Instruction. Reese has lived in Oklahoma and Texas for many years and taught in public schools, community colleges, and university settings. Her interests are in K-12 social studies education, geographic literacy, and community engagement.

**Further information:** Reese Todd, Institute Facilitator (rhtodd.ok@gmail.com) or Candy Morgan, Museum Director (comanchemuseum@gmail.com) **Subject line: summer institute**
Comanche Culture & History Summer Institute Application

(Applications can be submitted beginning March 1, 2015 and will be open until workshop is full - 15 to 18 teachers. Notification of acceptance will be sent by April 1. If spaces remain beyond that date, applicants will be notified within 14 days of receipt of application; full attendance required Thursday, July 16-Sunday, July 19, 2015; field trips include evenings.)

**Primary Site of Institute:** Comanche National Museum and Cultural Center (CNMCC), 701 NW Ferris Avenue (behind McMahon Auditorium), Lawton, OK 73507; July 16, 2015—July 19, 2015

Name________________________________________

Home Address____________________________________

Cell Phone________________________________________

Email (home/work)________________________________

School District/Informal Educational Site____________________

Address______________________________________________

Teaching Experience (years/subjects)____________________

What interests you about this institute? __________________________

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In what ways might the topics of the institute relate to your curriculum and/or outreach programs?
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What are three questions you would like answered during the institute?
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What other continuing education you have pursued in past 3 years?
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Give an example of your work as a teacher that shows your openness to new perspectives and/or use of Integrated curriculum across social studies/science/visual & performing arts.
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Submit Application: Reese Todd, facilitator, (rhtodd.ok@gmail.com). Detailed schedule available as speakers and field trips are finalized and will be sent with confirmation of registration.