

**SIUE Native American Studies
Presents:**

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Cahokia, Osage, and Mexico: The Vision of Tollan

Cahokia is unique, the only true city in America north of Mexico. Its dates are the same as those traditionally given in Mexican history for the "Toltec empire." Cahokia's grid plan of plazas and mounds looks like the idealized Mesoamerican city known as Tollan, a "Place of Reeds and Rushes." It may have traded fine tanned deer hides and slaves downriver and across the Gulf of Mexico to Mexican markets. Today's Osage Nation believes its ancestors were the lords of Cahokia, and that they traded with Mexico. My presentation has been approved by the Osage Nation now at Pawhuska OK.

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6:00 pm, Peck Hall 1402**

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