

## Line-up of Speakers at the 2023 Santa Fe Trail Association Symposium:

- Dr. Michael Grauer, McCausland Chair of Cowboy Culture/Curator of Cowboy Collections and Western Art, has worked as a curator for 40 years. He has written three books and is a contributor to several other publications about the art of the American West. As the keynote speaker, he will present on “Western & Cowboy Art”



- James Pepper Henry, Executive Director of the First Americans Museum in Oklahoma City and Vice-Chair of the Kanza Nation, will speak on “Native American Art & Effects of the Santa Fe Trail on the Kanza Nation”



- Crosby Kemper, the current director of the U.S. National Institute of Museum and Library Services and previous director of the Kansas City Public Library, will speak.



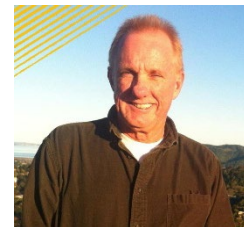
- Dr. Fran Levine will present “Art from Missouri to Santa Fe” and the depiction of women in art and literature on the Trail. Her topic will include how Anglo American, African American, and Hispanic women are portrayed in lithographs, paintings, and sculptures. Her experience at the Museum of the Governors in Santa Fe and in developing frontier art exhibits at the Missouri History Museum in St. Louis gives her a unique perspective regarding multicultural expression.



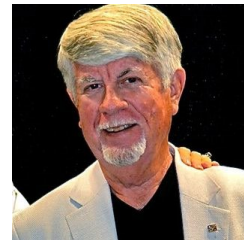
- Aaron Mahr, Superintendent of the National Trails System-Santa Fe, will present information about the outstanding art collection of items produced by the 1930's Santa Fe art colony, including Pueblo pottery, Navaho rugs, paintings, and etchings. The NPS Headquarters Building houses the offices of nine National Historic Trails and the Route 66 Corridor Preservation Program and is located at 1100 Old Santa Fe Trail in Santa Fe, NM. Mahr began his career with the National Park Service in 1990 as a graduate assistant at the Spanish Colonial Research Center and has been Superintendent at the Santa Fe office since 2007.



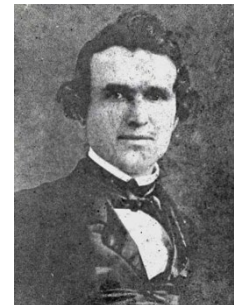
- Independent trail historian Craig Crease will speak on “Art and Images of the Santa Fe Trail and the American West: Yesterday and Today.”



- SFTA board member and historian Rich Lawson will share information about his collection of Native American and Hispanic artwork.



- Additional sessions will include the showing of the PBS film, “The American Artist” an Emmy Award-winning biographical docu-drama about artist George Caleb Bingham. His childhood was spent in the American frontier along the Missouri River



- And the film “Wagon Master: Doug Hansen’s Hand-Crafted History” that details the story of how Doug Hansen learned to handcraft 19<sup>th</sup>-century wheeled vehicles.

