

2021 RESUME OF JAY C. FIKES, RETIRED SOCIAL ANTHROPOLOGY PROFESSOR
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ACADEMIC EDUCATION

Corona del Mar High School, CA., graduated January 1969
University of California, San Diego, Fall 1969-Spring 1971.
University of California, Irvine B.A. cum laude, March 1973; Program in Comparative Culture
University of San Diego, M. Ed. with honors, December 1974; Bilingual Education
University of Michigan (Ann Arbor) Anthropology M.A. December 1977, Ph.D. Winter 1985

ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL HONORS

Listed in Marquis Who's Who Millennium Magazine 2021 (7th edition), Marquis Millennium Magazine 2020, Who's Who Lifetime Achievement Award 2018, Who's Who in America, 59-70th editions; Who's Who in the World, 26-27th editions; Who's Who in American Education 6-8th editions; Who's Who of Emerging Leaders in America 1st edition.
Contemporary Authors volume 152.
Honored for public service (education and lobbying for religious freedom) by the Native American Church of North America, October 22, 1994.
Awarded academic scholarships by the University of Michigan; (one from the Anthropology Department, 1981-82, and Rackham College's Doctoral Dissertation Grant in 1981)
Awarded Smithsonian Institution Post-doctoral Fellowship, 1991-92
Awarded Smithsonian Institution Short-term Fellowship, 1988, 1995

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Palomar Community College at the Pala Indian Reservation, Summer 1974; tutored adults in an introductory Chemistry class
Allan Hancock Community College at Vandenberg Air Force Base, 1975-76; taught introductory classes in anthropology
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Fall 1976-January 1979; teaching assistant in social anthropology for four semesters
Navajo Nation Planning Department, Window Rock, AZ, 1983; designed research evaluating land-use planning and housing production on reservation
United States International University (Oceanside, CA campus) spring 1985; taught introductory social anthropology course as an Adjunct Professor
Instructor at Marmara University, Istanbul, Turkey 1985-87; taught social science research methods, policy research, and developed curriculum for advanced students of English
Las Vegas, New Mexico, 1988-89; independent research and writing for two books and two essays published in the Insight Guide to the Turkish Coast
Highlands University, Las Vegas, New Mexico, 1989; Adjunct Professor in Anthropology
Legislative Secretary, Friends Committee on National Legislation, Washington, D.C. 1990-91; employed as a "lobbyist" specializing in Native American legislative issues

Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C., 1991-92 and 1995; post-doctoral anthropology fellow, to produce a documentary film about the Huichol ritual cycle
President, Institute for Inter-cultural Issues, 1993-98; completed biography of Reuben Snake and various publications on American Indians, consulted officers of the Native American Church on effective lobbying of Congress, participated with leaders of the Winnebago Tribe in hiring faculty for their new college, gave public lectures, sold Huichol art.
Visiting Professor at San Diego State University, fall 1999; taught upper-division course on American Indian religions
Professor of Anthropology, Yeditepe University, Istanbul, 1999-2016. I taught undergraduates & graduates social anthropology classes, M.B.A. students leadership & public speaking classes; I supervised/co-supervised several doctoral dissertations & master's theses.

SEMINIARS, PUBLIC LECTURES, PODCASTS & EXPERT WITNESS TESTIMONY

Expert witness for defendant in U.S. Supreme Court case involving religious freedom: Gonzales v. O Centro Espirita Beneficente Uniao do Vegetal et al. 2006.
Lectured on Huichol rituals and shamanism at the Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History: March 10, 2003; December 5, 2005; March 2, 2009.
Leader of shamanism and ritual healing workshop, International Forum of Social Sciences and Health, held at Yeditepe University in August of 2005.
Consultant to and interviewed by BBC documentary film makers in March 2006, then I appeared in their 2007 documentary film: "Tales from the Jungle: Carlos Castaneda".
"Huicholes malentendidos: investigando hechos y palabras de Ramón Medina y su viuda"
Speech given in Spanish at the Universidad de Guadalajara on September 28, 2010.
"Shamanic Healing & Psychiatry: time to arrange a marriage between them?" Keynote speech at Hacetepe University's Medical Humanities annual meeting in Ankara, May 4, 2011.
"Advocating Emic Interpretation of Huichol shamanic initiation" lecture given on 11-18-2012 at the American Anthropological Association annual meeting in San Francisco, CA.
Various podcasts based on interviews with me were produced by Gnostic Media, 2011-2015.

PUBLICATIONS

"Native American Education: Cognitive Styles, Cultural Conflict, and Contract Schools," Michigan Discussions in Anthropology, Vol. 4, Fall 1978, p. 31-51.
"The Population Fallacy," Dialectical Anthropology, Vol. 7 (3), 1983, p. 253-261.
"Background and Recommendations for an Effective Navajo Housing Policy," report submitted to the Bureau of Indian Affairs, grant NOO-G-1420-9427, 1983, 70 pages.
Huichol Indian Identity and Adaptation, Ph.D. dissertation, University Microfilms International, Ann Arbor, MI, 1985, 378 pp.
Step Inside the Sacred Circle: Aboriginal American Animal Allegories (with Nelleke Nix), Wyndham Hall Press, 1989, 54 pages.
Insight Guide's Turkish Coast, 1990, pages 165-181, 185-198.
Numerous articles about legislation of interest to Native Americans were published in the 1990 FCNL Indian Report and FCNL Washington Newsletter.
Numerous book reviews were published in Choice, 1990-95.

"Our Inalienable Right to Worship the Creator," 20 page press release for Native American Church, distributed at the 1992 U. S. Senate hearings on Native American religious freedom. Carlos Castaneda, Academic Opportunism and the Psychedelic Sixties, Victoria, B.C.

Canada: Millenia Press, 1993, 300 pages.

"To Be or Not To Be: Suicide and Sexuality in Huichol Indian Funeral Ritual Oratory," in New Voices in Native American Literary Criticism, pages 120-148. Edited by Arnold Krupat. Washington, D.C.: Smithsonian Institution Press, 1993.

"Anthropological Visualization of the Huichol in Ethnographic Film: A Discussion of the Problem of Contextualization," in Anthropological Film and Video in the 1990s, p. 221-240. Edited by Jack R. Rollwagen. Brockport, N.Y.: The Institute, Inc. 1993.

Reuben Snake: Your Humble Serpent, Santa Fe, N.M.: Clear Light Publishers, 1996, 288 pages.

"A Brief History of the Native American Church," in One Nation Under God: The Triumph of the Native American Church, pages 167-173. Edited by Huston Smith and Reuben Snake. Santa Fe, N.M.: Clear Light Publishers, 1996.

"Carlos Castaneda and Don Juan" in The Encyclopedia of the Paranormal, pages 135-143. Edited by Gordon Stein. Amherst, NY: Prometheus Books, 1996.

Huichol Indian Ceremonial Cycle, forty-four minute documentary film and a 130 page companion booklet, Huichol Indian Ceremonial Cycle: Rescuing Images at the Edge of Oblivion, distributed by Pennsylvania State University Media Center, 1997.

La Mitología de los Huicholes, (Spanish translation of Robert Zingg's Huichol Mythology), introduction and editing by Jay C. Fikes, Phil C. Weigand and Arcelia Garcia de Weigand, 365 pages. Zamora, Michoacan, Mexico: Colegio de Michoacan, 1998.

"Examining Ethics, Benefits and Perils of Tours to Mexico" in International Conference on Heritage, Multicultural Attractions & Tourism (Vol. 1) Istanbul, Turkey: Bosphorus University, 1999, pages 407-421.

"Anthropology and Carlos Castaneda," interview in 2000 posted at this URL:

www.sustainedaction.org

"Kutsal Kaktus", p. 73 in Atlas magazine, September 2001.

"Peyote Religion: Opening Doors to the Creator's Heart" in Entheos, Vol. 1, no. 2, Winter 2001, pages 75-81.

"The Man who ate Honey: Kieri and the calling of a Huichol shaman" in Entheos, Vol. 1, no. 2, Winter 2001, pages 38-42.

"Remembering Reuben Snake: A Voice for the Road" in Entheos, Vol. 1, no. 2, Winter 2001, pages 87-92.

"Jay Fikes Speaks" (Interviewed by Tom Lyttle) in The Entheogen Review, Vol. XI, No. 3, Autumn 2002, pages 81-93.

The Man Who Ate Honey: The Revelations of a Huichol Shaman. Taos, N.M.: Ambrosia Books, 2003, 45 page booklet.

"Peyote Ritual Use" in Shamanism, An Encyclopedia of World Beliefs, Practices, and Culture, pages 336-339. ABC-CLIO, Santa Barbara, CA: 2004.

Huichol Mythology epilog by Jay C. Fikes, introduction and editing by Jay C. Fikes, Phil C. Weigand and Arcelia Garcia de Weigand. Tucson: University of Arizona Press, 2004.

Jay C. Fikes and Phil C. Weigand. "Sensacionalismo y etnografía: el caso de los Huicholes de Jalisco" in Relaciones, Vol. XXV, No. 98, Spring 2004, pages 50-68

“Castaneda, Carlos”. International Encyclopedia of the Social Sciences. Ed. William A. Darity, Jr. Vol. 1. 2nd ed. Detroit: Macmillan Reference USA, 2008. pages 456-457.

“Sensationalism”. International Encyclopedia of the Social Sciences. Ed. William A. Darity, Jr. Vol. 7. 2nd ed. Detroit: Macmillan Reference USA, 2008. pages 442-444.

Carlos Castaneda, oportunismo académico y los psíquedélicos años sesenta. *Xlibris Corporation, Bloomington, IN, 2009.*

Unknown Huichol: Shamans and Immortals, Allies Against Chaos. 260 page book published by Alta Mira Press: Lanham, MD, 2011.

“Scrutinizing Self-Proclaimed Shamans & Appropriation of Huichol Peyote Pilgrimages”. Essay published in ABC-CLIO’s American Indian Experience Database, Santa Barbara, CA: 2011.

“Native American Church, Peyote Rituals” essay published in 2016 by ABC-CLIO in the Encyclopedia of Native American Culture: Canoes to Powwows. pages 647-654.

Beyond Peyote: Kieri and the Huichol Deer Shaman, Amazon Kindle e-book, 2020.

“Defeating Hearsay in Research on Divine Kieri & Huichol Shamans” essay posted on Academia.edu, 2021.

“Carlos Castaneda (1925-1998): Reading Between His Lines, a Summary Judgment”

International Journal of Ecopsychology, Vol. 2, 2021.

Beyond Peyote: Kieri and the Huichol Deer Shaman, Berkeley, CA: Regent Press, 2021.