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## **Tamástslikt Cultural Institute To Welcome Lewis & Clark Book Authors Aug. 13**

Pendleton, OR - A new Lewis & Clark book that concludes with a conversation between the authors and Tamástslikt Cultural Institute director Bobbie Conner will be the focus of a book signing at Tamástslikt on Sat., Aug. 13 at 1 p.m. The U.S. is now marking the bicentennial of the Lewis & Clark expedition, 1804-1806.

The authors and Conner will meet the public and sign the book. Published by the Oregon Historical Society Press, it will be available for sale at Tamástslikt's Museum Store.

As the explorers Meriwether Lewis and William Clark crossed what is now the United States they had virtually no impact on the landscape. But boy has it changed since! In *Two Hundred Years of Lewis and Clark*, William L. Lang and Carl Abbott address those changes. Lang, Professor of History at Portland State University and former director of the Center for Columbia River History, scrutinizes the original motivations for the Lewis and Clark expedition and the subsequent effect on the people and the landscape of the Columbia River Basin. Abbott, Professor of Urban Studies and Planning at Portland State and author of several books on planning and development in the West, continues the story by examining the ways in which the Lewis and Clark Exposition of 1905 advanced President Jefferson's goal of developing the economic potential of the Pacific Northwest, particularly by exploiting the region's abundant natural resources.

The book completes its examination of Lewis and Clark with an epilogue conversation between Lang, Abbott, Bobbie Conner, and Christopher Zinn, Executive Director of the Oregon Council for the Humanities.

William L. Lang is Professor of History at Portland State University and former director of the Center for Columbia River History in Vancouver, Washington. He is the author of many books and articles about the Pacific Northwest and the Columbia River Basin, including "Big Water, Great River: Two Ways of Looking at the Columbia," in *Landscapes and Communities on the Pacific Rim*, edited by Karen Gaul and Jackie Hilz.

Carl Abbott, a Professor of Urban Studies and Planning at Portland State University has published extensively on the history of city planning and the relationships between urban growth and regional development. He is the author of several books, among them *The Metropolitan Frontier: Cities in the Modern American West* and *Portland: Planning, Politics, and Growth in a Twentieth-Century City*.

Bobbie Connor has served as the director of Tamástslíkt Cultural Institute since 1998. Bobbie is Cayuse, Umatilla, and Nez Perce, and a member of the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Reservation. She is Secretary of the National Council of the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Board of Directors, Co-chair of the Circle of Tribal Advisors for the Columbia River Region, serves on the Boards of Directors for the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial in Oregon and the Wallowa Nez Perce Homeland Project, and is a member of the Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission and the Oregon Historic Trails Advisory Council.