



## CALENDAR ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Santa Fe Community College hosts “Convergence of Cultures,” a public lecture series centered on the Southwest as a dynamic melting pot of culture, immigration, art and faith. Presented by SFCC’s President’s Diversity Advisory Committee, the lectures are free and take place on the SFCC campus, 6401 Richards Ave. For more information, call (505) 428-1347.

### **“Aztlán Sin Fronteras”**

**February 22, Noon to 1:30 p.m.**

SFCC Board Room

Speaker: Erwin Rivera

Santa Fe – The City of Holy Faith – is a place of cultural crossroads. This presentation explores the history and contemporary understandings of Aztlán, both geographically and metaphorically. The talk will follow turquoise on its historic journey and discuss the mineral’s cultural and spiritual significance for both ancient and modern people.

### **“Human Rights in Juárez”/“Derechos Humanos en Juárez”**

**February 24, 1 to 2 p.m.**

Health and Sciences Building, Rm. 488

Speaker: Cipriana Jurado

This bilingual presentation is devoted to a first-person account of current events and the turbulent political climate facing the people of Juárez, México. Cipriana Jurado, a community organizer and human rights activist, shares her testimony of everyday life and survival in Juárez, a city besieged by drug cartel violence and police brutality. She links the current situation in Juárez to unfettered industrialization and its human costs for both workers and residents who continue to resist ongoing human rights abuses and corruption on many fronts. The lecture will be given in Spanish, with English interpretation.

### **“Turquoise: Explorations of Migration and Immigration in the Southwest”**

**March 1, 4 to 5 p.m.**

SFCC Board Room

Speaker: Dawn Wink

This presentation explores historical and contemporary migration and immigration in the Southwest through the lens of turquoise. For thousands of years, turquoise traveled the vein connecting the Mayans and Aztecs with the people of the Southwest. The Pueblo people say turquoise steals its color from the sky – the stone has been spiritually, economically, and aesthetically significant to indigenous people since A.D. 300. Later, the Turquoise Trail came to symbolize a convergence of cultures. What can we learn from the historic role of turquoise in the Southwest and how can this inform our understandings of current immigration policies?

### **About Santa Fe Community College**

For more than 27 years, Santa Fe Community College has served as the gateway to success for individuals and our community. The College provides affordable, high-quality educational programs that serve the social, cultural, technological and economic needs of Santa Fe's diverse community. More than 14,500 students are served each year in its credit, noncredit and adult basic education programs.

Offering more than 82 degrees and certificate programs, SFCC caters to the academic, career and personal-enrichment needs of local residents, businesses, government and public service organizations. More than 274 full-time and 587 part-time employees are employed by the college. For further information, visit [www.sfcc.edu](http://www.sfcc.edu) or call (505) 428-1000.

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