# **TEXAS HISTORY TOP TEN: American Indians**

The Bullock Texas State History Museum's website is filled with artifacts, oral histories, highlights from curators, and interesting stories. The Texas History Top Ten tool is perfect if you only have a short amount of time, want a broad overview, or want to find hidden gems about a particular topic. Use this lists to help expand your content knowledge while planning classroom lessons for your students, or send your students on assignment to explore the Top Ten lists on their own.

# **American Indians**

In a story unfolding over 16,000 years, diverse American Indian groups built empires and rich cultures. That multi-faceted story continues today as many groups keep their traditions and languages alive.

## Thousand year old bracelet

A turquoise armband from a Ceremonial Cave

# 16,000 year old projectile point

A discovery that challenges our ideas of when humans arrived in Texas. Includes a 1 minute video

# **7** Paintings of American Indians

Scenes of American Indians living in the Texas Hill Country painted by the German artist, Richard Petri

# Indian Scout uniform

U. S. Indian Scout belt, belt plate, and cartridge box of Bill Warrior, a Black Seminole Indian Scout

Treaty Stone from 1850

• One of two stones placed at the meeting site near Fort Martin Scott in Fredericksburg to commemorate the signing of the treaty



Stone projectile point discovered in central Texas and was made at least 16,000 years ago.



"Comanche Motion" Acrylic on canvas by Eric Tippeconnic, 2017

## American Indians Campfire Story

Hover over the characters and select "American Indians" to explore the story of the American Indians in the area now known as Texas

#### American Indian Heritage Day

View videos about the diverse native peoples in Texas, including traditional storytelling and performance. Look closely at artifacts and follow along with some hands-on art making activities

## Comanche Motion exhibition

Take an up close look at paintings and artifacts from this past exhibition. Bold canvases show Comanche culture vibrantly alive in the modern world. Includes a 4:39 minute video featuring the artist

## A Tribal Family Album exhibition

A past exhibition featuring a collection of black and white photographs by Pierre Tartoue representing a tribal family album from the 1930s to the 1950

# Chronology of American Indians in Texas

Select the "American Indians" icon on the timeline (unselect "Texas History Timeline") to trace the chronology of the American Indians in what is now known as Texas



# **Types of Resources**

The Bullock Museum has a diversity of resources and voices to tell the many Stories of Texas. While using the Texas History Top Ten, explore a variety of tools:

#### Artifacts

Get an up-close look at the artifacts the Museum has displayed, and learn about their importance in Texas history. View the full Artifact Gallery <u>here</u>.

#### **Campfire Stories**

Using the mosaic embedded in the Museum's floor, interact with Texans from the past gathered around a campfire to share their stories. Discover the people who shaped Texas. View the mosaic <u>here</u>.

#### **Special Exhibitions and Events**

Explore some of the stories and artifacts from the Bullock Museum's past temporary exhibitions and special events focusing on unique aspects of Texas history. View all past special exhibitions <u>here</u>.

#### **Texas History Timeline**

Use the interactive timeline tool to mix and match different events and stories to see how they line up in the chronology of Texas history. View the full timeline <u>here</u>.

#### **Texas Story Project**

Read oral history stories submitted by diverse Texans about their connections to the past. The Texas Story Project is best for finding stories that you wouldn't find in textbooks, like family stories and Texas folklore, and are generally not written by professional historians. View the full Texas Story Project <u>here</u>.

#### **Assorted Resources**

Watch videos or participate in an interactive distance learning program.



*Discover the AT-6A "Texan" Airplane in the* 

New Top Ten lists will be added over time to round out the full scope of the Texas History curriculum, so keep returning to the <u>website</u> for updates. Looking for more resources on these topics beyond the Top Ten, or curious how other teachers have used what is found on these lists? <u>Email Education@TheStoryofTexas.com</u>.





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