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DICK WEST, CHEYENNE

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GENERAL SUBJECT: MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS; LIFE HISTORY MATERIALS;
INSTRUCTOR AT BACONE COLLEGE

TOPICS DISCUSSED:

BRIEF BACKGROUND

RELATIONS

MODELING WITH CLAY: FINDING TALENTS

SCHOOLS ATTENDED

ADVICE TO INDIANS WITH ARTISTIC ABILITY

REAL AND IMITATION INDIAN ART

GUIDE LINES AND INFLUENCES ON ART WORK

BARRIERS TO OVER-COME

GREATER OPPORTUNITIES TODAY

INITIAL GOAL - TEACHING

CULTURAL BACKGROUND IN ART

BACKGROUND OF INFORMANT:

Dick West is 55 years of age. He was born at Darlington, Oklahoma which was the first agency for the Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribe. His first school was Concho Indian School near Darlington. He started to high school at the age of 18 years at Haskell Institute in Lawrence, Kansas and started his first formal art work. After graduation from Haskell he went to Bacone College where he was taught art by Acee Blue Eagle, famous Indian artist who started him on his Indian painting. After graduation from Bacone, he came to Oklahoma University where he studied with Dr. Jacobsen. Dick West is a Cheyenne Indian artist and director of the Art Department at Bacone College.

Note: The other interview on this tape is: Cherokee Seminar
(Not Transcribed)