

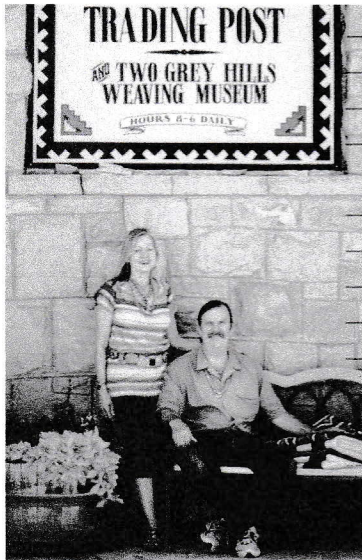


# Friends of Indian Art

Supporting the Museum of Indian Arts & culture

Dear Friends of Indian Art Members,

FIA is pleased to kick-off the 2017 season with a special evening with **Mark and Linda Winter**, the owners of the Historic **Toadlena Trading Post**, located in the Four Corners region on the Navajo Reservation north of Gallup, NM. The trading post has been in existence since 1909. Mark Winter, a well-studied and published Navajo weaving scholar, acquired the post in 1997. He restored the aged buildings to their former character as a traditionally function trading post, adding a weaving museum. Trade is carried on at the post as it has been for more than 100 years, whereby the locals pay accounts seasonally when wool is sheared or rugs are finished. Mark and Linda Winters work closely with the local weavers continuing the support, encouragement and relationship that was established by traders before them. You will hear the fascinating story of the historic trading post, see examples of both past and present Toadlena/Two Grey Hills rugs and meet weaving artists from the area.



**We encourage YOU AND YOUR GUESTS to join us for this exciting presentation!**

**Date:** Thursday, March 16th

**Time:** 5:00 pm – Refreshments/Snacks

5:30 pm to 6:30 pm - Presentation

**Location:** MIAC - Auditorium

**RSVP** by email to [friendsofindianart@yahoo.com](mailto:friendsofindianart@yahoo.com) or by calling the FIA Hotline 505 982-7799 Ext. #2. Please leave the names of those attending, including any guests, along with your telephone number. Should you be unable to attend, please cancel your reservation, as there is often a waiting list. We look forward to seeing you on March 16<sup>th</sup>!

Ann Hicks

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