

## Bonnycastle Lecture Welcomes Award-Winning Author



*History Professor Olive Dickason will be the Bonnycastle Distinguished Lecturer on Jan. 28.*

Professor Olive Dickason of the University of Alberta's History Department is the guest speaker at the Bonnycastle Lecture, Thurs., Jan. 28, 8 p.m. in Eckhardt-Gramatté Hall.

Dickason has written several books, including *The Myth of the Savage and the Beginnings of French Colonialism in the Americas*. This book received honourable mentions from both the Canadian Historical Association and the Alberta Writers' Guild in 1985, and from the Society for Colonial Wars (USA) in 1986. Dickason's book *Indian Arts in Canada* has won three awards for conception, design and presentation.

She is a member of the editorial board of *American Indian Culture and Research Journal* and sits on the board of directors of the Canadian Indian/Native Studies Association. In 1987 she co-chaired the conference "Women of the Métis Nation" in Edmonton and later attended the first ministers' conference in Ottawa as a delegate for Women of the Métis Nation, Métis Association of Alberta.

Dickason was born in Winnipeg and completed her early schooling here. A former freelance writer, she also worked as a reporter for the *Winnipeg Free Press* and held various positions with the *Globe and Mail*.

The University of Winnipeg Bonnycastle Distinguished Lecture was established in memory of Richard H. G. Bonnycastle, former chancellor of The University of Winnipeg.