

# SHERYL WILLIAMS STAPLETON

## AFRICAN AMERICAN PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

The new African American Performing Arts Center was named in honor of State Representative Sheryl Williams Stapleton who represents the area in the state legislature. The first of its kind in New Mexico, the AAPAC and Exhibit Hall is a unique public partnership between government and communities across New Mexico designed to further enhance our state's multi-cultural character. The facility is designed to educate the public in the history and contributions of African Americans in the Southwest. The theater complex has become a gathering place for artistic performances, classrooms are used on a continuing basis and offices house targeted neighborhood and community programs.

