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Hendrika Beaulieu-Boon was born in Amsterdam, The Netherlands on December 6th, 1951. Subsequent to her immigration to Canada, she received her schooling in that country and after a successful career as a businessperson returned to university in 1991. She completed her undergraduate degree in Anthropology with Great Distinction at the University of Lethbridge in 1993. Her M.A. thesis, *Gender and Discourse on Anthro-L: An Anthropological Analysis of an Internet Bulletin Board*, focused on textual constructions of self during the early days of cyberspace communication, paying particular attention to gender and discourse. She defended her M.A. in May of 1995, again with Great Distinction. In 1996, she began her Ph.D. studies at the University of Alberta where she completed her coursework and successfully defended her Ph.D. Candidacy. Upon receipt of a substantial SSHRC award from the Government of Canada, she commenced her oral history research into colonial relations, focusing on Dutch-Indonesian interaction during the last colonial regime. Personal circumstances dictated a hiatus from this study and she commenced her teaching career at the University of Lethbridge where she taught in the Department of Anthropology. Continuing her oral history fieldwork with North American residents who participated in the last Dutch colonial regime, as well as the years during and after the Japanese Occupation, she also received a significant grant for aboriginal research from Ottawa. Subsequent to receipt of that grant, she moved to a position in the Department of Native American Studies at the University of Lethbridge in 2005.