In celebration of the SMU Department of Anthropology’s 50th Anniversary Golden Jubilee, SMU Department of Anthropology PhD graduate Robert T. Trotter, will give a talk on the practice of curanderismo, or Mexican American folk medicine. Curanderismo is part of a historically and culturally important health care system deeply rooted in native Mexican healing techniques.

Trotter is a medical anthropologist with 25 years of experience in cross-cultural health issues ranging from traditional healing in Mexican American communities to alcohol, drug abuse and HIV prevention and intervention programs for minority groups in the US and in international settings. His publications include books and articles on Mexican American traditional healing, cross-cultural alcohol and drug studies, migrant farm worker health and education, prevention and intervention studies on HIV/AIDS, alcohol, and drug use, cross-cultural applicability research on disabilities and the international classification of disease, and community based research and collaboration.

Image: Teresa Urrea, the "Saint of Cabora" (October 15, 1873 – January 11, 1906), was a Mexican mystic, and folk healer.