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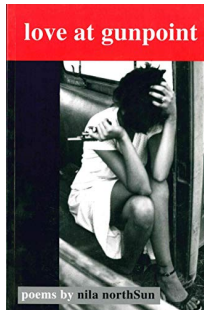
Naomi Duerr

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The Second Wave

While the second round of Native American Renaissance still grappled with the question of identity, this next generation of Native American authors promoted a more integrated experience in which the reservation and the outside world can coexist.

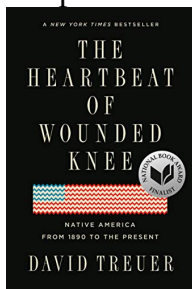


8. nila northSun (Congrats, Nila!)

nila northSun, of Shoshone and Chippewa heritage, is one of the principal figures of the second wave of the Native American Renaissance. Her poetry deftly applies irony and humor to difficult, emotional topics like alienation, oppression, violence, and the difficulties of life on and off the reservation — though she doesn’t stop there. In *red flags yellow flags*, a poem about womanhood and dating in the modern era, she quips, “i don’t feel like being bored / so i court disaster.” It’s not hard to see how she’s been able to attract a wide following since her 1977 debut, *Diet pepsi and nacho cheese*, and was the recipient of the Indigenous Heritage Award in Literature in 2004.

Start with: *Love at Gunpoint*

Her latest collection is a testament to a writing style which remains fresh and still attracts the adulation of critics and readers alike, decades after her debut. Indeed, her skills have only been sharpened through years of practice and reflection.

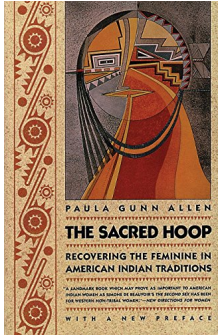


9. David Treuer

David Treuer is an Ojibwe Indian from Leech Lake Reservation in northern Minnesota, and an acclaimed author with an impressive body of work spanning fiction, non-fiction, and literary criticism. Throughout his stories and essays, Treuer strives to map the multidimensionality of the Indigenous experience. His debut novel, *Little*, written alongside a PhD in anthropology, was published in 1995 to great acclaim.

Start with: *The Heartbeat of Wounded Knee: Native America from 1890 to the Present*

Fusing personal experience with a scholarly framework to map out the history of the Native American people, Treuer’s creation is a masterful, intelligent portrait of resilience and survival. If you don’t want to just take our word for it, take Barack Obama’s: this New York Times Bestseller was among [his favorites in 2019](#).

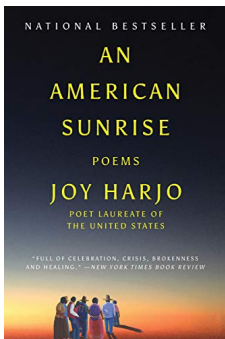


10. Paula Gunn Allen

Paula Gunn Allen, a stalwart in Native American scholarship, was much beloved by those who studied under her at UC Berkeley, UCLA, and a number of other schools. Beyond her research, Allen's impressive literary oeuvre also includes poetry, short- and long-form prose, many titles of which draw inspiration from the Pueblo mythology of her ancestors, like the Corn Maiden and Grandmother Spider. Her mixed Laguna, Sioux, Scottish, and Lebanese heritage has also led to introspective pieces about the nuances and struggles of belonging to multiple minorities, such as *The Woman Who Owned The Shadows*.

Start with: *The Sacred Hoop: Recovering the Feminine in American Indian Traditions*

A [seminal feminist text](#) within the currents of Indigenous political writing, Allen's research is a reclaiming of voices for the marginalized. Applying an anthropological framework, she argues that the dominance of Western thought has misinterpreted Native society and obscured the prominence of women within it.



11. Joy Harjo

Joy Harjo, a member of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, is the current US poet laureate and became, with her 2019 election, the first Indigenous writer to ever hold that title. Her eloquent verses have been featured in the [best poetry books](#) of all time, winning her multiple literary awards. She's also ventured into other literary forms, producing several plays, two children's books, and a transcendent, haunting memoir that all draw on First Nation myths, symbols and values, as well as poetic traditions within feminism and social justice.

Fun fact: Harjo is also an accomplished saxophonist, though she chose to pursue poetry upon encountering other Native poets during the renaissance of the 1960s and 70s.

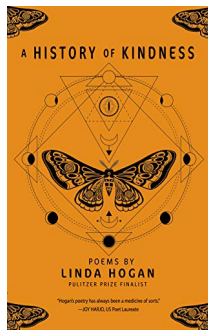
Start with: *An American Sunrise: Poems*

Harjo's 2019 acclaimed poetry collection follows her return to her family's lands, where she confronts its history of forcible removals to remember and celebrate the healing that can come

after crisis and brokenness. The title poem sets up the central motifs of remembrance and connection to a generational pain caused by injustice:

*We were running out of breath, as we ran out to meet ourselves. We
were surfacing the edge of our ancestors' fights, and ready to strike.*

As a bonus, because Harjo is so exquisite that we can't just recommend *one* of her books, consider picking up *For a Girl Becoming* as well. It's a [children's book](#), but the ode to the cyclical nature of birth, innocent youth, and blooming adulthood, completed with stunning illustrations, can be appreciated by readers of all ages.

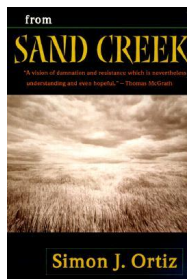


12. Linda Hogan

Linda Hogan is a poet, essayist and — as of this publication date — the Chickasaw Nation's Writer in Residence. We could write a whole post dedicated to her accomplishments, but here are a few standouts: her debut novel, *Mean Spirit*, was a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize in Literature; she was nominated for the International Impact Award *twice*; and her *Solar Storms* was named a New York Times Notable Book of the Year. Beyond amplifying the hidden voices of women and Native Americans, Hogan's work actively engages in questions concerning the destruction and preservation of our environment.

Start with: *A History of Kindness*

If you want to meditate on the relationship between humans and the environment, let this gentle collection of poetry be a reminder of our inextricable connection to the land we walk on. Take it as an invitation to kindness and living in harmony with the world around us.

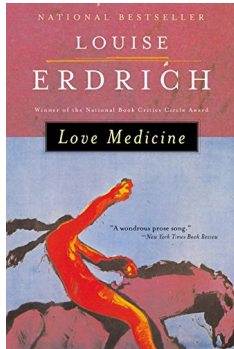


13. Simon J. Ortiz

Simon J. Ortiz is a prominent Acoma Keres Pueblo author committed to promoting and retaining the culture and mythology of his people. Even as a child, his solemn enthusiasm for the stories of his elders earned him the nickname “The Reporter”. Carrying this earnestness and a strong sense of awareness into his career, Ortiz combines a confident, expressive writing style with a focus on the politically marginalized voices and stories of Native American peoples.

Start with: *From Sand Creek Rising in This Heart Which Is Our America*

This collection of poems recounts Ortiz's modern-day experiences at a veterans recovery center, weaving them into America's history of violence against Plains Native Americans. Originally a [small-press](#) publication in 1981, its powerful reflections on American colonialism inside and outside the continent called for large-scale reprint in 2000.

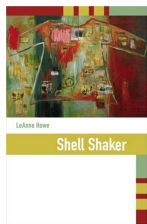


14. Louise Erdrich

Louise Erdrich is one of most prolific and best-known contemporary novelists on this list. She's an enrolled member of the Anishinaabe Nation (Chippewa), and much of her writing reflects the mixed heritage of her German-American father and half-Ojibwe, half-French mother. She often writes of romance, filial ties, and the complexities of interpersonal relationships. As you make your way through her body of work, keep an eye out for her postmodernist writing style and use of [multiple narrators](#) within one story: they're considered trademarks of her work.

Start with: *Love Medicine*

Erdrich's first novel is part of a trilogy which follows the intertwining fates of the Kashpaw and Lamartine families. An epic family drama akin to E. M. Forster's *Howards End*, it blends dark humor with betrayal, loyalty, and a touch of magic on a North Dakota Ojibwe reservation.



15. LeAnne Howe

LeAnne Howe is a citizen of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma. Her experiences growing up on a reservation and listening to her grandmother's stories, she once said [in a short film](#), set her on a path towards a career as a playwright, a poet, and a novelist. Speaking of the challenges that Indigenous writers face, she has pointed to a 'tribalography' — a rhetorical space in which overlooked perspectives and stories get their time to shine.

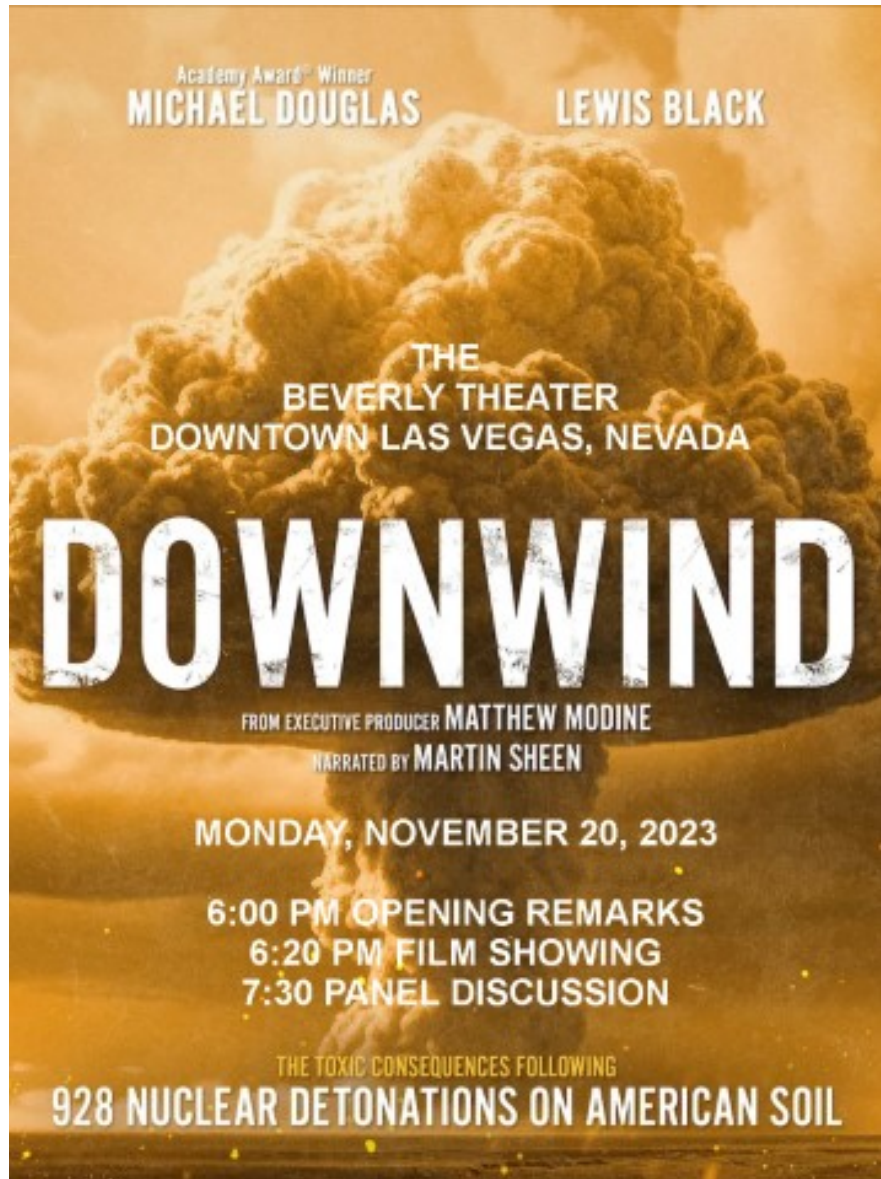
Start with: *Shell Shaker*

Immerse yourself in the parallel tales of two Choctaw leaders separated by over 200 years. As much as it's about the perceived reality of this Native culture, *Shell Shaker* is also about the abuse of power and its consequences, which is a relevant concern for readers of any background. That said, for a taste of Howe's skill as a critic and editor, check out *Seeing Red* — Hollywood's *Pixeled Skin*. It's an accessible anthropology of movie reviews that critically assesses the cinematic representations of Indigenous peoples.

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November 16, 2023

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BIA Cares Scholarships	Varies	November 17, 2023
Michigan American Legion High School Oratorical Contest	\$25,000	November 17, 2023
W.I.S.E (Washington Women in STEM Excel) Scholarship	\$3,500	November 17, 2023
IRHA Rural Dental & Social Work/Behavioral Scholarships	\$1,500	November 18, 2023
Modeling the Future Challenge	\$60,000	November 18, 2023
Washington State University Regents Scholars Program	\$119,770	November 18, 2023
WMU Undergraduate Research and Creative Scholarship Award	\$750	November 18, 2023
MSA Law Enforcement Scholarship	\$2,000	November 19, 2023
ACONM Transportation Industry Scholarship	Varies	November 20, 2023
Greenhouse Scholars Whole Person College Program	\$20,000	November 21, 2023
Helene M. Overly Memorial Graduate Scholarship	\$5,000	November 21, 2023
WTS Baltimore Undergraduate Scholarship	\$3,000	November 21, 2023
WTS Leadership Legacy Scholarship for Graduates	\$5,000	November 21, 2023
Dan L. Meisinger Sr. Memorial Learn to Fly Scholarship	\$2,500	November 24, 2023
SchoolHouse Connection Youth Scholarship	\$2,500	November 24, 2023
Chick and Sophie Major Memorial Duck Calling Contest	\$2,000	November 25, 2023
Zipit Future of Connectivity Essay Scholarship	\$2,500	November 25, 2023
Agriculture Education Foundation Scholarship	\$1,000	November 27, 2023
Explore the World Travel Scholarship	\$2,000	November 27, 2023
Explore the World Travel Scholarship: First Passport Edition	\$3,000	November 27, 2023
Muir Way Scholarship	\$1,000	November 27, 2023
TFND Video Essay Scholarship Contest	\$1,000	November 27, 2023
The Weber Shandwick Scholarship	\$1,000	November 27, 2023
WTS Portland Scholarships	\$7,000	November 27, 2023
Kids' Chance of Michigan Scholarship Program	\$7,500	November 29, 2023
AFCEA War Veterans Scholarships: Undergraduate Only	\$2,500	November 30, 2023
All-American Pest Control STEAM Trailblazer Scholarship	\$1,000	November 30, 2023
Anthony Quinn Foundation Scholarships	\$3,000	November 30, 2023
Brent Willis Scholarship	\$1,000	November 30, 2023
Bruce and Evelyn Bowman Scholarship	\$1,000	November 30, 2023

Citizens \$15,000 Scholarship	\$15,000	November 30, 2023
Civil Air Patrol SPAATZ Association Aerospace Leadership Scholarship	\$3,500	November 30, 2023
Colonel Kathleen Swacina Scholarship	\$1,500	November 30, 2023
Daniel J. & Robert E. Klein Scholarship	\$1,000	November 30, 2023
Emery Reddy Legal Studies Scholarship	\$2,000	November 30, 2023
ISL Education Lending Scholarship	\$1,000	November 30, 2023
Julie Walter Memorial Scholarship	\$5,000	November 30, 2023
Kaiser Permanente Northern California Medical Student Scholarship	\$5,000	November 30, 2023
Kress Foundation History of Art Institutional Fellowships	\$30,000	November 30, 2023
NACA Scholarships for Student Leaders	\$500	November 30, 2023
National Honor Society Scholarship	\$25,000	November 30, 2023
Peter K. New Award	\$3,000	November 30, 2023
Posen Foundation Program for the Study of Secular Jewish History and Cultures	\$50,000	November 30, 2023
Ralph W. Shrader Graduate Diversity Scholarship	\$3,000	November 30, 2023
Right Fit Foundation \$5,000 Scholarship	\$5,000	November 30, 2023
Second Chances Scholarship	\$1,500	November 30, 2023
SmithGroup Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Scholarship Program	\$6,000	November 30, 2023
Susan Lawrence Soldier For Life Scholarship	\$5,000	November 30, 2023
The Dental Accounting Group Business Leadership Scholarship	\$3,000	November 30, 2023
The John Galt Scholarship for Future Supply Chain Leaders	\$10,000	November 30, 2023

[Listening session on Nov. 7 to learn about the Cultural Corridor project \(sponsored\)](#)

Join a listening session Nov. 7 to learn about the Cultural Corridor project coming to Carson City, Carson Valley and Virginia City that will help support tourism, local arts, culture and heritage.

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[Lesley Williams](#)

And so... went to check the willows at lunch. Cut a few and went back to work. Looked down and there were orange powder on my boots. Y'all sprayed the willows! Lawd this is why we are removed from our ways. Willows make your baskets. Willows are apart of Numu ways. Dont spray the willows. Cut them down but don't spray them.

About fifteen years back (damn I'm old) we were gathering tule and cattail to teach ducks at Natchez. Came back and broke out in hives for the first time in my life. All over. Found out its the pesticides. We asked the tribe not to spray in gathering areas.

There are still people who live this way. Just because things are a nuisance or in the way doesn't mean it isn't useful to someone else.

[Neuroscience News and Research](#)

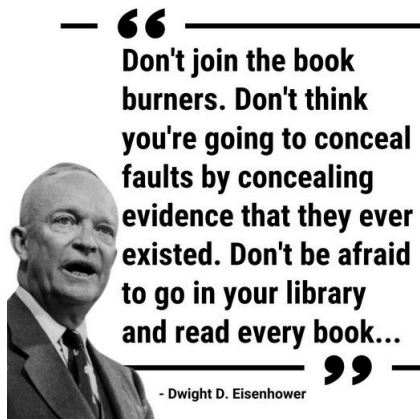
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3- ONAP Vacancy Announcements - Grants Evaluation Specialist, GS-9/11/12
Locations: Phoenix, AZ and Albuquerque, NM (FTE-7852 and FTE-1320), Oklahoma City, OK(FTE-1255)

Application Deadline: November 2, 2023

Application Links:

24-HUD-25 (Merit Protected – Internal to Gov) <https://www.usajobs.gov/job/755779100>

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<https://www.mercurynews.com/2023/10/17/bay-area-study-helps-confirm-age-of-ghostly-human-footprints/?>

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