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Other Council Fires Were Here Before Ours: A Classic Native American Creation Story As Retold By A Seneca Elder, Twylah Nitsch, And Her Granddaughter, Jamie Sams





Synopsis

A retelling of the Seneca creation story and prophesies for the future.

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Customer Reviews

This book gives a wonderful perspective on the relationship we have to The Earth. The story of Creation is revealed through the ancient teachings of the Senecas. This story is a creation myth at its best. This story allows the reader to see from the perspective of Mother Nature herself. Here, all of the world of information about history is available not through reading or the internet, but through the wonderful worlds of truth that exist within each being. All of the creatures of The Earth are loved equally and completely by the generous and divine Earth Mother. The book gives explanations for why we have different races of humans and explains the gifts of each. This book is easy to read. I recommend it for anyone who is curoius about why we have gone astray in the world today. Also, it would be a great tool to share with children, who are all naturally connected with their inner wisdom. Remember to share this one with a friend.

This book is a must for anyone interested in the spiritual ways of the Seneca's as told by the granddaughter of the last recognized medicine man of the Senecas. It's also her story. The story of how a stone person revealed her future birth and the challenges she would face in life as she took over where her grandfather left off. Included in the book is the language of the stones, a basic guide for revealing a personal message a particular rock might hold for you.

A must read for anyone concerned about the future of humanityand the planet. Tells the story of Creation and the historyof the world and the lifeforms that evolved here, from the point of view of an eyewitness. Includes prophesies about the future, as well as an explanation for why we have created the mess we've got today. Will expand your world view and leave you with a sense of wonder, a broadened perspective, and lasting hope for the future. --L. Kashinn

While written 25 years ago, this creation myth is informative in ways that I am not sure I would have appreciated until lately. The story is narrated by a stone, one of the most ancient ones in form on this planet. This perspective and the given language of marks that stones carry into the present helps me to be hopeful as we near the fifth world of illumination.

Jamies books are amazing expecially this one. This book's title is in the Rotunda of the Historical Society of Buffalo, NY, a city near and dear to my heart! Reading this book took me back to where I spent much time while growing up in the primal woods with the Standing People, along the Cattaraugus River and the cliffs. I would highly rate this book to anyone on the path. Thank You Jamie for sharing your knowledge of Mother Earth and the Stone People.

As always when reading books by Jamie Samms or hearing the teachings of Twylah Nitsch, we find the gifts that we need too. The Medicine is always pure and healing.

I came to this book due to my interest in Jamie Sams and Twylah Nitsch. For people who have questions about the First through the Fifth Worlds from reading other books by Jamie Sams, this book fills in the blanks. For those who have no knowledge of Sams and Nitsch, this book is so playful and delightfully written that it could be underestimated by the reader.

This book is fascinating from cover to cover. Jamie Sams and her grandmother, Twylah, are master story-tellers. This book is a must-read for anyone interested in Native American beliefs! It is the Seneca version of creation and history, our relationship with Mother Earth, and events still to come! Thanks Jamie and Twylah!

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