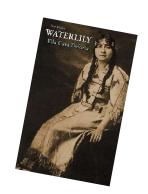
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WaterLily

by Ella Cara Deloria



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Dates for 2025: September 22 and 29, October 13
Daytime study begins at 1:30-2:30 PM (CST)
Evening study begins at 6:30-7:30 PM (CST)

Synopsis: When Blue Bird and her grandmother leave their family's camp to gather beans for the long, threatening winter, they inadvertently avoid the horrible fate that befalls the rest of the family. Luckily, the two women are adopted by a nearby Dakota community and are eventually integrated into their kinship circles. Ella Cara Deloria's tale follows Blue Bird and her daughter, Waterlily, through the intricate kinship practices that created unity among her people.

Waterlily, published after Deloria's death and generally viewed as the masterpiece of her career, offers a captivating glimpse into the daily life of the nineteenth-century Sioux.

"Though set and written in the past, this is a significant novel for our times. Waterlily is not only about traditional cultures and women's culture, but is round with meaning, science, knowledge, and love, which we can learn from today. It is a dynamic book, a page-turner from the true historical past." LINDA HOGAN, author of *People of the Whale*.

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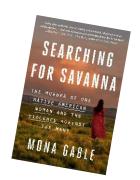
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Searching for Savanna:

The Murder of One Native American Woman and the Violence Against the Many

by Mona Gable



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Evening study begins at 6:30-7:30 PM (CST)

Synopsis: In the summer of 2017, twenty-two-year-old Savanna LaFontaine-Greywind vanished. A week after she disappeared, police arrested the white couple who lived upstairs from Savanna and emerged from their apartment carrying an infant girl. The baby was Savanna's, but Savanna's body would not be found for days.

The horrifying crime sent shock waves far beyond Fargo, North Dakota, where it occurred, and helped expose the sexual and physical violence Native American women and girls have endured since the country's colonization.

With pathos and compassion, *Searching for Savanna* confronts this history of dehumanization toward Indigenous women and the government's complicity in the crisis. Featuring in-depth interviews, personal accounts, and trial analysis, *Searching for Savanna* investigates these injustices and the decades-long struggle by Native American advocates for meaningful change.

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