



The Truckee Turntable

A Monthly Newsletter of the Truckee Arts Alliance

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November is

Native American Heritage Month

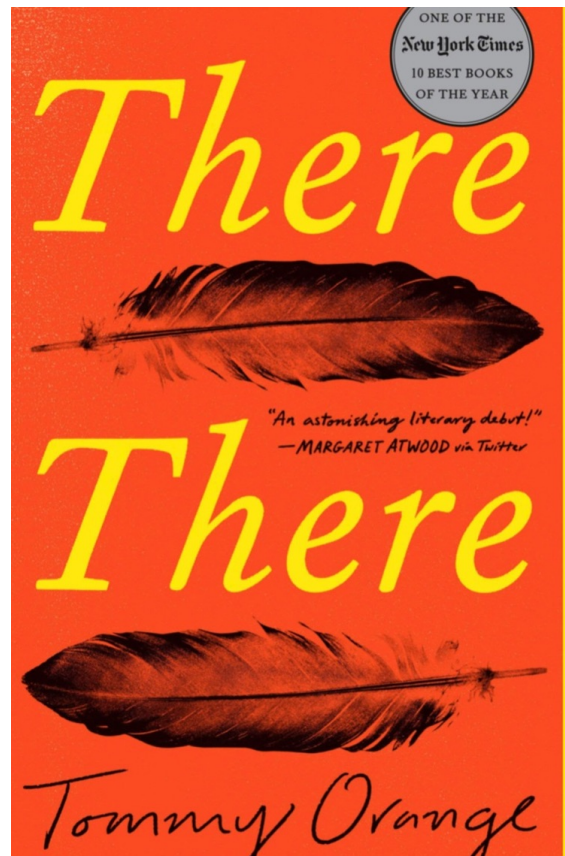
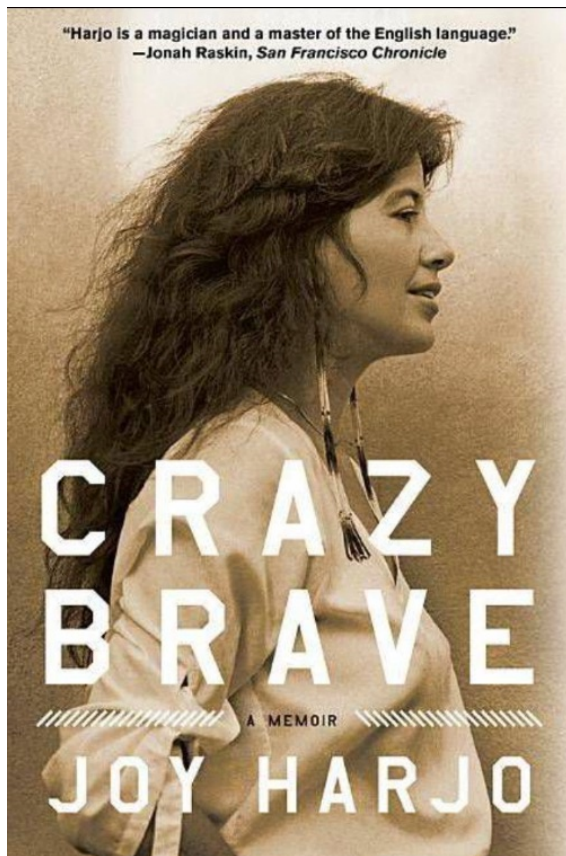
"I felt close to my ancestors when I painted. . . .I began to know [my grandmother] within the memory of my hands as they sketched. Bones have consciousness. Within marrow is memory."

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—From *Crazy Brave* by Joy Harjo

Poet Laureate of the United States, 2019–2021

An Indigenous Reading List



As poet and writer Joy Harjo recalls in her memoir, *Crazy Brave*, creating art has connected her with her ancestors. On this November 2nd, In honor of [Dia de los Muertos](#), an ancient Mexican celebration of life, the Truckee Arts Alliance offers this Indigenous Reading List, a collection of award-winning and ground-breaking academic histories, historical narratives, memoir, fictionalized memoir, and fiction. Have another title to include, perhaps your favorite Native poet? Let TAA know by emailing: Patricia@PKayeCreative.com.

The Truckee Arts Alliance recognizes the [Washoe](#) people, also known as Wašišiw, meaning "people from here," as the region's First Peoples and that we occupy their land. We share this Indigenous Reading List as a way of seeking original stories and

experiences of this place we call home. Perhaps one of these titles will lead you to other fine arts of Native American heritage:

Native Americans from the Truckee River Watershed

- [The Small Shall Be Strong: History of Lake Tahoe's Washoe Indians](#) by Matthew S. Makley (U of Massachusetts P, 2018)
- [Cave Rock: Climbers, Courts, and a Washoe Indian Sacred Place](#) by Matthew S. Makley and Michael J. Makley (U of Nevada P, 2010)
- [Sarah Winnemucca](#) by Sally Zanjani (U of Nebraska P, 2001)

Indigenous California

- [History of Us: Nisenan Tribe of the Nevada City Rancheria](#) compiled by Tribal Chairman Richard B. Johnson (Comstock Bonanza P, 2018)
- [Nevada City Nisenan](#) by Tanis C. Thorne (Two Quail P, 2022)
- [We Are the Land: A History of Native California](#) by Damon B. Akins and William Bauer, Jr. (U of California P, 2021)
- [Tending the Wild: Native American Knowledge and the Management of California's Natural Resources](#) by M. Kat Anderson (U of California P, 2005)

Native American Fiction & Memoir

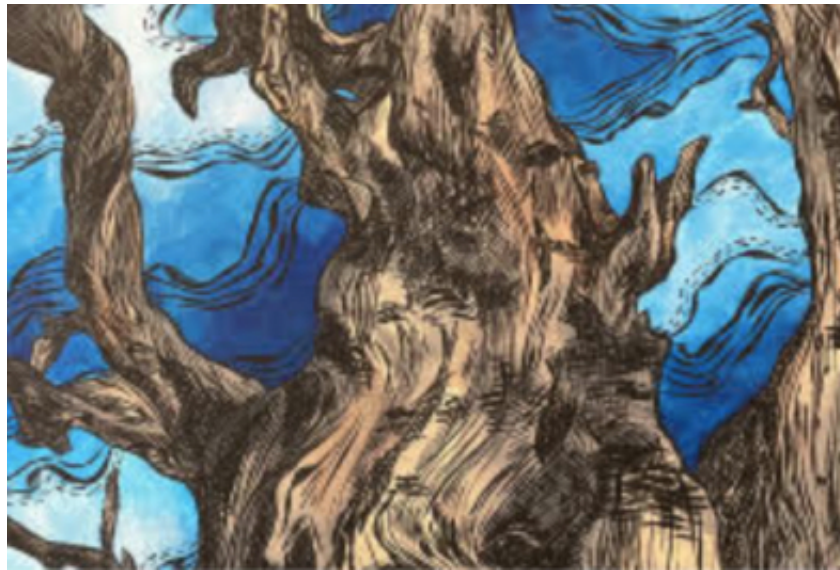
- [The Night Watchman](#) by Louise Erdrich (Harper Collins, 2019)
- [There There](#) by Tommy Orange (Knopf, 2018)
- [Crazy Brave](#) by Joy Harjo (W.W. Norton, 2012)
- [Blue Highways: A Journey Into America](#) by William Least Heat-Moon (Little, Brown)

***Learn more about Native American heritage in person in Grass Valley for
Nisenan Day on November 5.***

Celebrate Nisenan Day 2022

Art Harvest this Autumn





View works by April Gatrix (pictured here) as well as Mary Beth Hamilton at Piper J. Gallery this November. Meet the artists at the Opening Reception on Nov. 4th at 5:00 PM.

Cold season has arrived in Truckee! At the time of this publication, snow continues to fall on and around our Cultural District. Locals have begun waxing their skis or perhaps planning on attending a ski swap at [Tahoe Donner](#) or [Tahoe City](#) this month. In between your outside adventures, carve out time for the following art events in Nevada County:

> New premiere of an old show favorite: *The Odd Couple*, [Truckee Community Theater](#) at the Old Community Rec. Center in Downtown Truckee, Nov. 4–13, Fridays and Saturdays at 7:00 PM, Sundays at 2:00 PM. Purchase tickets [here](#).

> November Art Reception at [Piper J Gallery](#), featuring artists [Mary Beth Hamilton](#) & [April Gatrix](#), Nov. 4, 5:00–7:00 PM. Downtown Truckee, 10153 West River St.

> [Nisenan Heritage Day: Remembering We Are From the Stars](#), Nov. 5, 11:00 AM–3:00 PM, Sierra College at NCC/Grass Valley campus, 250 Sierra College Dr.

> Sierra County Arts Council presents the [Wild & Film Festival 2022](#)—in Downieville on Nov. 5, Truckee on Nov. 18. Track the tour details [here](#).

> [Rubicon Pizza Party Fundraiser for the Friends of the Truckee Library](#), Nov. 10, 5:00–8:00 PM, 5001 Northstar Dr., Suite 5101, at Northstar Ski Resort in Truckee. Learn more [here](#).

> [Sorooptimist Artisan Craft Fair](#), Nov. 17, 5:30–8:30 PM, Truckee Recreation Center at 10001 Chardelle Way in Truckee. Advance tickets [here](#).

10981 Chandelle Wy. in Truckee. Advance tickets [here](#).

> Make Your Own Holiday Gift Bag, overalls, shearling slippers, and sock monkeys at our favorite maker center, the [Truckee Roundhouse](#), 12116 Chandelle Wy. in Truckee. Full course descriptions [here](#).

Remember to take FREE microtransit to your next art event.

Truckee's FREE Microtransit Returns

California Arts Listening Tour: Truckee



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Join us on Wednesday, November 30th at 5:15 pm for a Listening Session following California Arts Council's announcement that Nevada County Arts Council will be responsible for re-granting close to \$3.4 million in workforce development funds to artists across nineteen counties in upstate California.

The California Creative Corps program follows over two years of global suffering as a

result of the COVID-19 pandemic. During these years, creative sector professionals across the US have been proposing ways to employ artists in programs similar to the Works Project Administration (WPA) and the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act (CETA). The launch of a statewide Creative Corps pilot program is the result of a recommendation from the Governor's Task Force on Business and Jobs Recovery and is the first of its kind in the nation. All eyes are upon us!

At our Listening Session, we will be introducing what the State sees as a new method of evaluating the relative health of communities. Using the California Healthy Places Index (HPI), we are identifying issues that are specific to Nevada County, inviting input on solutions, and inviting artists to position themselves to create awareness around them.

**More details coming soon in a *Truckee Turntable News Beat*.
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Truckee's Public Art Inventory

Presented by the Public Art Commission of Truckee

Ceramic Mural in Honor of Max Krieg



- **Completed:** 2010
- **Artist:** Students, teachers, and Krieg Family
- **Address:** 10990 Dorchester Dr. ([map](#))

Working together with his family, teachers and a small group of elementary school students students created the art that inspired the designs for the tiles on this mural. The installation honors the life of student Max Krieg (9-18-2005 to 12-02-2010) who passed away when he was in kindergarten.

Funds were donated by community members to improve the playground equipment and re-dedicate the kindergarten play area in honor of Max, renaming it "Max's Park." This piece was planned originally to be installed outside in Max's Park, but once completed, it was decided that it would be better protected indoors.

In honor of the work of the [Public Art Commission of Truckee \(PACT\)](#) we share a slide

In honor of the work of the [Public Art Commission of Truckee \(PACT\)](#), we share a slide from the commission's hundred-page inventory of Truckee Public Art. Have you seen this? Take a selfie at this mural tag us on [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#).

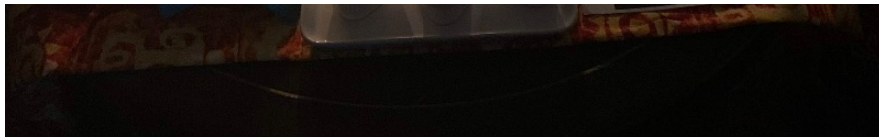
One item on PACT's Public Art Inventory, located at Tahoe Forest Hospital Gene Upshaw Cancer Center, has no image representation. Send TAA your image of Tahoe Forest's art installation, or perhaps another work of public art not pictured in the Town's online inventory, in an email to Patricia@PKayeCreative.com.

Learn More: Public Art in Truckee

Editor's Note

Digital Upgrade for TAA's Newsletter, Website





Hi reader, thank you for scrolling here. Happy Dia de los Muertos! In honor of renewal, the Truckee Arts Alliance is redesigning its newsletter and webpage on the Nevada County Arts Council website. We apologize for any bounced emails through TAA@NevadaCountyArts.com and thank you for your patience as we launch a new newsletter format, out in December's issue of [The Truckee Turntable](#).

Have a story you'd like to share with TAA's audience? Send your story and updates to Patricia@PKayeCreative.com.

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