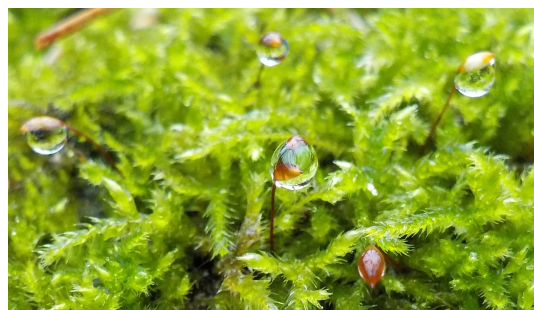
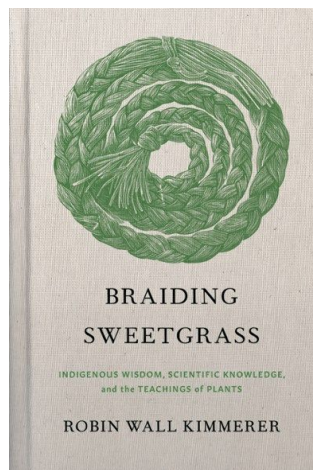


# Robin Wall Kimmerer

1953–present. American botanist, environmental scientist, and author.



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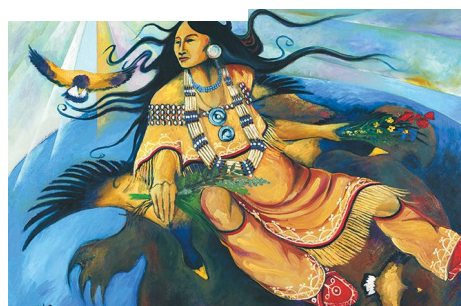
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## Her favorite things

1. Kimmerer is an expert on the biology of mosses (bryology).
2. She is a *New York Times* bestselling author
3. Making baskets from braided sweetgrass is a tradition that Kimmerer has learned and shared with students.
4. She studies how forests respond to climate change and works to restore plant communities.
5. She is a SUNY Distinguished Teaching Professor of Environmental Biology.
6. Kimmerer enjoys taking her students on field trips to learn about plant ecology first-hand.
7. A hand lens is useful for viewing the details of mosses and other plants. Kimmerer usually has one on a string around her neck.
8. Kimmerer, a member of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation, lives in the ancestral homelands of the Onondaga Nation.

**BIRTHPLACE:** Upstate New York  
**EDUCATION:** Studied botany at the State Univ. of NY (B.S.) and forest ecology at the Univ. of Wisconsin-Madison (M.S., Ph.D.).

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** Director of the Center for Native Peoples and the Environment at SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry. Addressed the U.N. General Assembly about traditional ecological knowledge.

**AWARDS AND HONORS:** Recipient of a 2022 MacArthur Fellowship (“Genius Award”) and the John Burroughs Medal for her book *Gathering Moss*.

**FAMILY:** She is a mother and grandmother.