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Name of Podcast: Read. Return. Repeat. A ReadICT Podcast.

Episode Title and Number: A Story for Everyone (Season 2, Episode 4)

Episode Summary: In this episode, co-hosts Sara Dixon and Daniel Pewewardy dive into category 6, a book based on mythology or folklore. Joining them is Thomas Yeahpau (also known as That Native Thomas), a Kiowa and Apache Storyteller and author of the 2016 novel *The Last Pow-Wow*, which he co-wrote with Steven Paul Judd. They talk about the importance of storytelling, why it resonates with so many people, and how traditional stories are still relevant in the modern world.

Guest Bio: Thomas Yeahpau, also known as That Native Thomas, is a Kiowa and Apache storyteller, author, screenwriter, and poet, as well as a filmmaker, stage actor, music producer, and editor. He is a graduate of Riverside Indian Boarding School and Haskell Indian Nations University, and in 2006 he received an ABC/Disney Talent Development Writing Fellowship. (source: Amazon.com)

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Books Recommended in this Episode:

Song of Achilles, Madeline Miller

Darkfever, Karen Marie Moning

Cassandra Speaks, Elizabeth Lesser

Resources & Links:

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[YouTube](#) (Older Channel)

Books by That Native Thomas:

[The Last Pow-Wow](#)

[X-Indian Chronicles: The Book of Mausape](#)

[The Underwear Boy Warparties #1: Underwear Boy vs. The Witch](#)

[The Underwear Boy Warparties #2: Underwear Boy vs. The Vampire](#)

[The Underwear Boy Warparties #3: Underwear Boy vs. The No-Name Monster](#)

Other resources:

[American Indian Film Institute](#)

“DreamKeeper” (TV Movie) - [IMDB Link](#)

“Fire in Paradise” (Full Documentary) Frontline PBS – [Watch on YouTube](#)

[History of the Apache Tribe](#) (Oklahoma Historical Society)

[History of the Kiowa Tribe](#) (Oklahoma Historical Society)

[Hosstyle Publishing](#) (Facebook Page)

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Thomas Yeahpau on Red Hoop Talk Episode 51 – Short comedy film “Dr. Warbonnet” and interview (interview starts at 9:00 time marker) - [Watch on YouTube](#)

Tia Wood (Plains Cree and Salish singer/dancer) - [Watch on TikTok](#)

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