

## The Peyote Cult

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**The Peyote Cult. New Enlarged Edition. [With Illustrations.]**

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*THE PEYOTE CULT* *The Peyote Cult* by Weston La Barre (1915-1996) is the classic work on peyotism, originating in Weston La Barre's studies of the use of peyote in the rituals of fifteen Native American tribes in the 1930s. It has been revised many times. This is the latest edition (the fifth, enlarged edition), now back in print. For decades, readers on peyotism have enjoyed Weston La Barre's fascinating original study, which began when the author at age twenty-four, studied the rites of Native American tribes using *Lophophora williamsii*, the small, spineless, carrot-shaped peyote cactus growing in the Rio Grande Valley and Southward. *The Peyote Cult* includes discussions of contemporary drug culture and experiments with altered states of consciousness and psychedelic drugs, including Timothy Leary, Richard Alpert and Carlos Casteneda. La Barre looks at the legal aspects of drug use, ritual drug use (including in the Native American Church), and the increasing spread of peyotism from the South-West to other Native American tribes. La Barre also explores related issues, such as anthropology, economics, chemistry, botany, pharmacology, and archeology. *The Peyote Cult* is still quite generally considered to be the one outstanding work on peyote... La Barre follows the search for the 'mystic experience' through use of chemical substances - a new fashion albeit as old as history - in an unusually objective manner. Richard Evans Schultes, *Psychedelic Review* *The Peyote Cult* includes extensive bibliographic and reference material, including lengthy and in-depth bibliographical essays and notes on audio and media material as well as journals and books. Illustrated with photographs and diagrams., and an index. **WESTON LA BARRE** Weston La Barre is best known for his work in anthropology and ethnography, in which he drew on the theories of psychoanalysis and psychiatry. Born in Uniontown, PA, La Barre studied at Princeton and Yale, and later

*taught at Rutgers, Wisconsin and Duke universities. La Barre conducted field work across North and South America, and later through India, China, Africa and Europe. He studied the Plains Indians and their peyote cult with Richard Evans Schultes (which resulted in the 1938 book The Peyote Cult). La Barre's masterwork is The Ghost Dance: The Origin of Religion (1970), which draws together his explorations of shamanism, world religion, Native American culture, altered states of consciousness and the use of drugs in belief systems. His other books include The Human Animal (1954), They Shall Take Up Serpents (1962), Culture In Context (1990), and Muelos (1985). BOOKS BY WESTON LA BARRE The Peyote Cult The Aymara Indians of the Lake Titicaca Plateau The Human Animal Materia Medica of the Aymara They Shall Take up Serpents: Psychology of the Southern Snakehandling Cult Shadow of Childhood: Neoteny and the Biology of Religion The Ghost Dance: The Origins of Religion Culture in Context, Selected Writings of Weston La Barre Muelos: A Stone Age Superstition About Sexuality "*

*The North American Indian. Volume 19 - The Indians of Oklahoma. The Wichita. The southern Cheyenne. The Oto. The Comanche. The Peyote cult. ~ Paperbound*

*A History*

*The North American Indian: The Indians of Oklahoma. The Wichita. The southern Cheyenne. The Oto. The Comanche. The Peyote cult*

*A Transitional Link Between an Indigenous Culture and an Imposed Culture*

*"The peyote cult, a religious movement nativistic in nature and often combining Christian with pagan elements, is active today and is spreading among many of the surviving groups of North American Indians. The cult is distributed generally in the western Plains area of the United States with extensions northward as far as Canada and into the Southwest as far as the pueblo of Taos and the Navaho and Apache country. Groups of individuals ranging in number from two or three to thirty or forty gather in a night-long meeting. In the course of the ceremony they make ritually prescribed gestures, listen to the prayers and exhortations of older members and the leader, consume portions of a small fleshy cactus known as "peyote," and take turns singing peyote songs."--From introductory statement (page 11)*

*A Socio-cultural Interpretation of the Peyote Cult*

*An Ancestor of the Peyote Cult?.*

*Enlarged Edition*

*Ritual Equipment*

**This fascinating study is a narrative account of the author's personal search for a better understanding of the Peyote religion. It is a phenomenological presentation which guides the reader through the complex ritual of the Peyote ceremony as seen through the eyes of its congregation. Moreover, it presents the reader with the author's unique experience in using the sacred Peyote cactus in ritual**

**context. This work is a major contribution to scholarly studies on the Peyote religion, specifically: "The Peyote Cult" (1964) by Weston La Barre, "The Peyote" "Religion Among the Navajo" (1966) by David F. Aberlie and "Peyote History" (1987) by Omer C. Stewart.**

**An Historical Assessment**

**Potawatomi Mescalism and Its Relationship to the Diffusion of the Peyote Cult**

**The Religion of the Peyote Cult of the Winnebago Indians**

**A Sketch of the Peyote Cult of the Winnebago**

Accompanies the author's ground-breaking 1938 study of ritual use of the peyote cactus by Mexican and American Indians with surveys of research and studies in the field between 1938 and 1973

The Impact of the Peyote Cult Upon Shamanism Among the Washoe Indians

The Mescal Bean Cult of the Central and Southern Plains

The Southern Ute Peyote Cult

The Peyote Cult and Treatment of the Sick Among the Winnebago Indians

*Describes the peyote plant, the birth of peyotism in western Oklahoma, its spread from Indian Territory to Mexico, the High Plains, and the Far West, its role among such tribes as the Comanche, Kiowa, Kiowa-Apache, Caddo, Wichita, Delaware, and Navajo Indians, its conflicts with the law, and the history of the Native American Church.*

*Peyote Religion*

*The Peyote Cult in the United States*

*A Study in Borrowing*