What *Is* a Waterway Anyway?

Environment and Culture in New York History
The Erie Canal: Building an Empire State
“[B]efore the passing away of the present generation, not a single Iroquois will be seen in this state.”

-- DeWitt Clinton (1769—1828)
Kinzua Dam: The Allegheny River, Reservoir, and Community
Lake of Betrayal: The Story of the Kinzua Dam (2017)

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Love Canal, from utopian dream to chemical waste.
Pools, Class, Gender and Race
Segregated Swim Lessons
The Aesthetics of Storm King
Conclusion: The Nature of History and Identity

I heard the wild loon and the catbird cry
Over Sagamore Lake, and knew that I
Heard the ancient call of race
Bidding me to my own place.

I am the root of the yellow willow,
The stem of the lily leaf,
There cannot come to my marsh-grass pillow
The cry of a human grief

-- Jeanne Robert Foster (1879—1970)


Lamont, Paul (Director), *Lake of Betrayal*, 2017.


