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Author of *La Maestra de la Laguna*
(*The Teacher from the Lagoon*)



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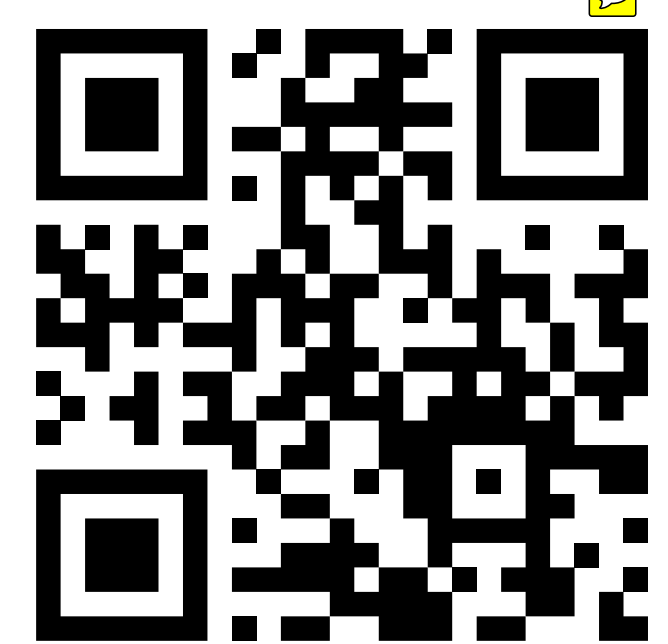
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Gloria V. Casañas is an Argentinian lawyer, teacher of History of the Law in the Facultad de Derecho of Buenos Aires since 1993 and novelist specializing in subjects of South America, customs and the process of colonization and emancipation of Latin American Nations.

On her best-seller, *The Teacher from the Lagoon*, she tells the adventure of the Normalites, teachers that Argentinian president Domingo Faustino Sarmiento brought from the United States with the help of his friends, the educator Horace Mann and his wife Mary, in a landmark decision for the History of the country.

From Framingham to Buenos Aires, a gallery of real characters and situations appear on the plot of this novel that, like all of the author's books, dives into the history, anthropology and literature of Latin America.



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