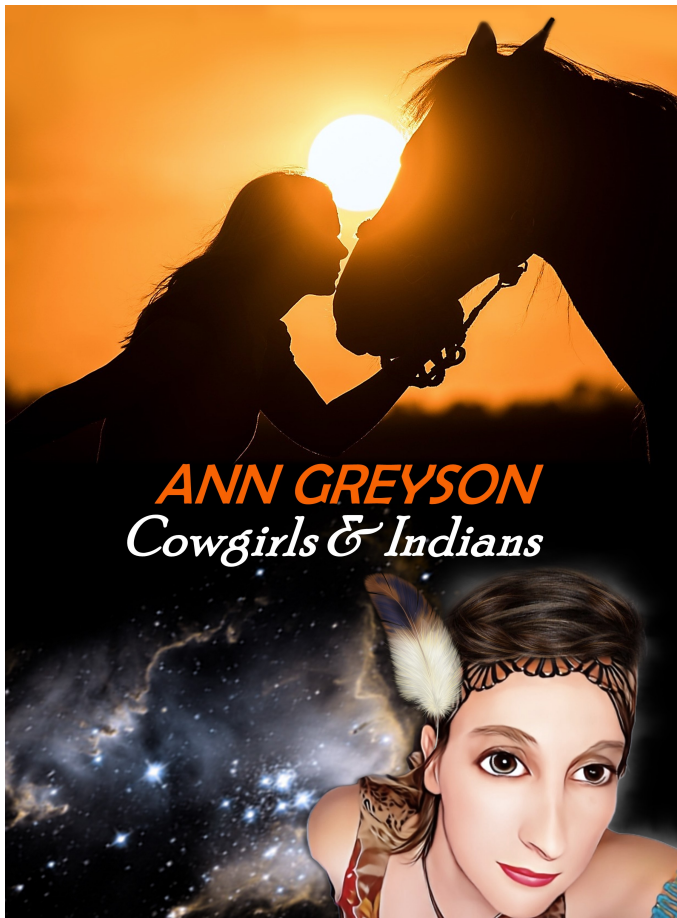




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Book Review by Foluso Falaye

It's the 1880s in the US. Not long after her lover is killed in a racial dispute, Sequoia contemplates ideas about improving how her fellow Native Americans are treated by the Whites. With a supposedly brilliant idea in mind, she markets her almond milk in a new environment to promote peace and cohesive relationships. However, she is met with jealousy and hostility from rival milk producers, which stirs up a situation that's far from what she had in mind. Fleeing for her life, Sequoia is accused of a ridiculous crime and dealt a harsh punishment: a bounty. ***Cowgirls & Indians*** by Ann Greyson is set in an era that involves a chaotic relationship between Whites and Native Americans and an outlaw girl who plots to escape her relentless pursuers.

The author creates a deeply evocative story that takes the reader through strong emotions. I felt the pain of seeing a Native American girl murdered unjustly, the heartbreak of losing a lover, and the uncertainty of not knowing what dangers would come next. The third-person narrative involves several intricate and well-developed characters, including ruthless killers and thoughtful individuals. Despite the harsh killings and inhumane treatment, acts of kindness and thoughtful actions shine through to inspire profound thoughts and resolutions. ***Cowgirls & Indians*** is a highly suspenseful read and a fantastic story that every reader who likes history and Native American fiction would love. Its descriptive words and culture-rich scenes involving "buckskin breechcloths" and the like left me wideeyed with awe. Author Ann Greyson is a highly talented writer! Period!