Black Women of the Old West by William Loren Katz

Black women were always part of America's westward expansion. Some escaped slavery to live with the Native Americans, while others traveled west after the Civil War to settle the new lands. They came as servants and as independent pioneers struggling to make a life in the wilderness. Brief text and extraordinary photos record many of the black women who went West to find a new life for themselves and their families.

My Personal Review:
This was a valuable read and a useful tool in presenting those parts of our history as a nation that do not make it into the history books. I recommend it. The beautiful portraits of the women just added to its fascination. Give it as a gift to a junior high or high school library.

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