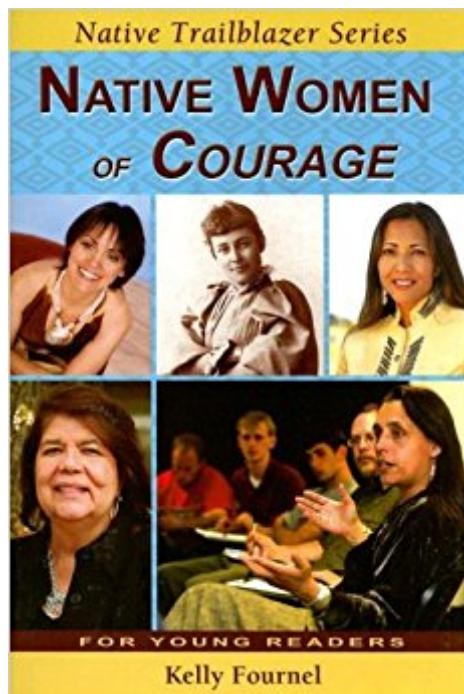


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# Native Women Of Courage (Native Trailblazers)



## **Synopsis**

Native Women of Courage profiles ten outstanding women leaders in the Native community. All of these successful, trailblazing women are stellar role models who have raised the profile of indigenous culture in North America. From heroines of the past to women making history today, this exciting work of non-fiction reminds readers of the extraordinary contributions of Native American women to our daily lives and to our country's social fabric. Winona LaDuke (Anishinaabeg) - Author, environmentalist, vice-presidential candidate Sarah Winnemucca (Paiute) - First Native American woman to write and publish a book Maria Tallchief (Osage) - Prima ballerina with the New York City Ballet Mary Kim Titla (Apache) - First Native American television news reporter in Arizona Sandra Lovelace Nicholas (Maliseet) - Petitioned the United Nations on behalf of First Nations women's rights, and won Susan Aglukark (Inuit) - Singer/songwriter and winner of 3 Juno music awards Wilma Pearl Mankiller (Cherokee) - First woman Chief of the Cherokee Nation Susan Rochon-Burnett (Metis) - First woman to be granted a Canadian FM broadcasting license Lorna B. Williams (Lif'wat First Nation) - Educator who developed native curriculum for First Nations schools in Canada Pauline Johnson-Tekahionwake (Mohawk) - Author and early advocate for Native women's rights The Native Trailblazer Series shines a spotlight on the contributions of Native Americans and First Nation Canadians who provide inspirational role models for young readers. High interest text and easy to read format is ideal for teen and adult literacy programs.

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"Young people need strong and positive role models. Young American Indian females have a book,

Native Women of Courage to reference when looking for role models among Native women...Written primarily for girls from 9 to 13 years old, the book will be appreciated by adults as well." (Levi Rickert Native News Network 2011-10-22)

Ten outstanding women leaders in the Native community.

Mentors for my soul!

This 82-page book contains short biographies of 10 native women from the United States and Canada. Some of the women are fairly well-known, such as Wilma Mankiller (first woman chief of the Cherokees), Winona LaDuke (environmentalist and vice presidential candidate), and Maria Tallchief (ballerina for the New York City ballet). Others I had never heard of, such as Suzanne Rochon-Burnett, a Canadian radio broadcaster, and Lorna Williams, an educator who developed a native-centric curriculum. I enjoyed reading the stories of all of these women. The author describes the challenges these women faced as well as their triumphs. I learned that Pauline Johnson-Tekahionwake, a poet and performer, had written down legends told to her by Chief Capilano of Vancouver, British Columbia. These are collected in a book called Legends of Vancouver, first published in 1910. I was able to request this book from my library to read to my kids. I also learned about Susan Aglukark, an Inuit singer who has won 3 Juno awards (the Canadian equivalent of a Grammy award). I'm glad to know about a new singer I might like to listen to. I included this book on my online Gender Equality Bookstore.

Funny to me that she could write this book and not include Elizabeth Peratovich. If you don't know her, look her up.

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