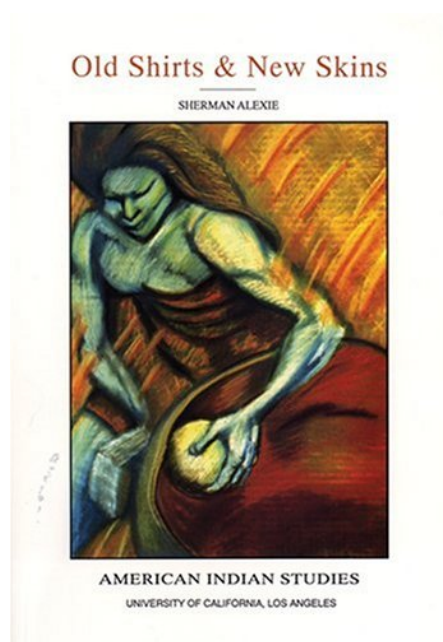




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nimrodiel says

Very powerful poetry about native American life on a reservation. I'm not sure where this came from, it's been bopping about my book shelves for years and I decided to skim through it before deciding to add it to the clearing out pile. I ended up immersed in the poems in this book, and surfaced an hour later at the end of the book.

I did decide to pass this on through the take a book/leave a book shelves at a local coffee shop, in hopes it would be picked up by someone else who would enjoy it as much as I did.

Larry says

My favorite poet. But this is an early collection, so I may have read all of these before. Does anyone else have trouble remembering even the best poems?

Jason says

Alexie yet again brings me into his writing. The poems and stories that comprise this collection flow so well, and to top it off, some of them are illustrated...by an Indian artist, no less. My favorite piece is "Forestry" because it's such a great example of flash fiction. I will definitely use it my creative writing class this year as a model piece.

Jan says

Another selection of poems and short stories of life on an Indian Reservation. Some I liked - some not so much.

Stephanie says

This is one of Alexie's earlier collections of poetry and it's significant to see that his voice was just as strong 20 years ago as it is today. Any fans of Alexie's short stories and fiction should take the time to read his poetry. There's added insight and perspective that bleeds over into his fiction.

Alisha says

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