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### THE USP AND THE LIBRARY: A TRIBUTE

The University of the South Pacific opened its doors to students in 1968 in response to a need for tertiary education for its people.

Some 50 years and 30,000 graduates later, it has without a doubt, proven the most successful proponent of regional cooperation.

An important contributor to this success has been the USP Library Network.

The Main Library established at Laucala Campus in 1968 now comprises a network of 23 libraries across the Region, managed and supported by trained professionals, paraprofessionals and support staff.

The University's 50th Anniversary is an occasion to acknowledge all that have contributed to USP Library development.

The first University Librarian, Mr. Harold

Holdsworth established the Library using international standards. He believed that with this approach, the Library would make an immense contribution to the University's status in the higher education arena.

The Library remains indebted to Harold and all staff, past and present, who continue the legacy of Harold Holdsworth and his successors Dr. Esther Williams and Ms. Sin Joan Yee.

It also pays tribute to the many donor governments, agencies, individuals and stakeholders whose gifts *'made a difference.'*

The USP Library Network stands tall and proud and pledges to continue to serve the people of the Region and the world.

*Elizabeth Reade Fong*  
University Librarian



# REGIONAL CONNECTIONS

## USP CELEBRATES 50 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE PACIFIC ISLANDS

Fifty years ago on 5 February 1968 The University of the South Pacific commenced classes, and in 2018 USP again commenced classes for Semester One on 5 February.

Yearlong celebrations to mark this golden jubilee milestone of the establishment of a university for the Pacific Islands are planned with the limelight on the Library during the month of May. Exciting exhibitions, thought provoking debates and panel discussions, a quiz night in collaboration with the Fiji Library Association, culminating with the library focus week from 14 – 20 May 2018 are planned.

Stay tuned for more information!



*Congratulatory plaque, kept in the USP Library's Pacific Collection, from VUW to USP on the formal inauguration of the university.*



*Found in the USP Library's Pacific Collection, a picture frame of the old USP Library building, current home to USP Student Administrative Services. Photo courtesy of Varomue Fesaitu*

## NEWS FROM THE USP NAURU CAMPUS

The Nauruan Collection in The USP Nauru Campus Library is a vital archive and research center for Nauruan language, culture and history. As part of their photographic

exhibition for The USP 50th Anniversary, staff have been collating and crosschecking documentation from other sources, such as the Catalogue of South Seas Photograph Collections from the Pacific Manuscripts Bureau, to ensure that their collection is complete.

The Library is currently situated at the Aiwo Campus with plans to move to the Learning Village at Yaren in 2018. They will share the space with the Nauru National Library in the new venue that is close to main government offices and departments.

## USP LIBRARY STAFF PARTICIPATE IN LAUCALA ORIENTATION WEEK VILLAGE

A village with tents and entertainment was set up on Monday 29 January to Thursday 1 February at the Book Centre Carpark in order to provide additional information to new students at the Laucala Campus and was open from 9am until 4pm. This was a new initiative in addition to the normal presentations held at the faculty orientations, which included FALE, FBE, FSTE and Pacific TAFE. For students who missed their faculty orientations, this opportunity was available for them to drop in and have a chat with members of the library as well as representatives from the faculties, ITS, and the 50th anniversary committee.

Librarians, library assistants, and the library systems team greeted students and handed out bookmarks with the library hours and the names of collections printed on them. The colorfully covered library table, flanked by its banner with the theme “Ignite your mind @ USP Library” attracted a good number of students. Library staff were happy to take part

and enjoyed the “meet and greet” atmosphere with students. Next year promises to be even bigger with more food and entertainment around the village to welcome students to campus.

*Adapted from an article submitted by Jamie Bloss, Librarian User Services, USP Laucala Campus*



*Photos courtesy of Jamie Bloss*

## BOOK LAUNCH OF *THE TURNING WHEEL*

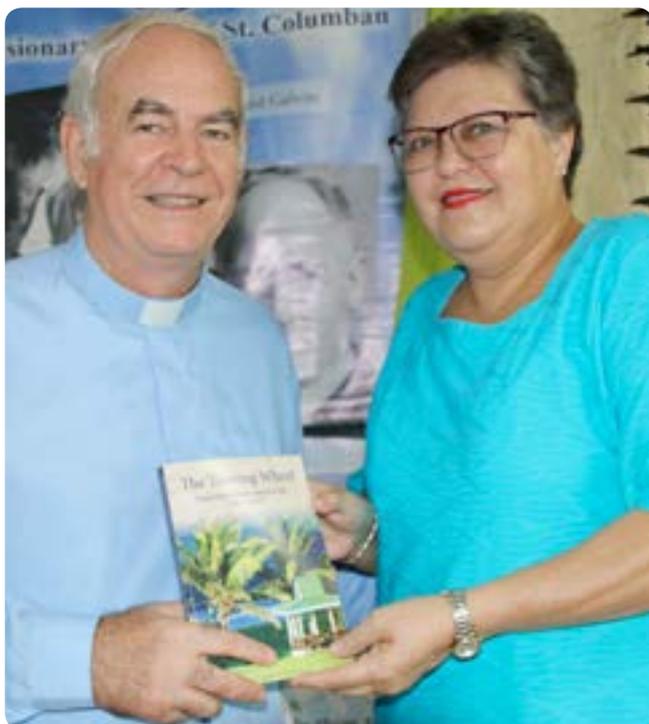
The turning wheel : Columban missionaries in Fiji 1952 – 2017, is a book that explains how Columban missionaries tried to encourage local seminarians to learn Fiji Hindi in the hope that as priests, they would reach out to the Hindus and Muslims in Fiji.

The book was recently launched by Archbishop Peter Loy Chong at the Archbishop Mataka Hall in Raiwaqa. Father Frank Hoare, the author, mentioned that the title of the book was derived from churches of Asia and the Pacific that were now the mission sending churches. Those who were the subjects of missions are now the missionaries, hence the reason for the book title - the turning wheel.

As part of his research in writing the book to commemorate the Columban's centenary celebrations, Father Hoare conducted interviews with Columban pioneers and said that the book was suitable for everyone to read and explore the history of how Columban missionaries worked in Fiji since 1952.

The Cataloguing-in-Publication (CiP) data for the book was compiled by The University of the South Pacific Library and a legal deposit copy was presented by the author to Elizabeth Fong, University Librarian. The book is available for use in the library's Pacific Collection.

The CiP service is complimentary to authors and publishers located in the Pacific. Please contact The USP Library by sending an email to [catalogue@usp.ac.fj](mailto:catalogue@usp.ac.fj) for more information.



Father Frank Hoare presenting the legal deposit copy of his book to the University Librarian, Elizabeth Fong. Photo courtesy of Elizabeth Fong



## FREE DOWNLOADABLE BOOK ABOUT TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

Flowers in the wall : truth and reconciliation in Timor-Leste, Indonesia and Melanesia explores the experience of truth and reconciliation in Southeast Asia and the Southwest Pacific, with and without a formal truth commission. Tackling global indigenous issues, there are three chapters on West Papua and two chapters about the Solomon Islands. It is now available for free download at <http://press.ucalgary.ca/books/9781552389546> by clicking the Free PDF tab.

## USP'S DIPLOMA OF LIBRARY & INFORMATION SERVICES ACCREDITED WITH ALIA

On December 14, 2017, the new Diploma of Library and Information Services (Level 5) operating out of Pacific TAFE, USP was awarded an initial red Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA) accreditation for a period of two years from December 2017 to January 2020. Prior to this, a period of intensive work was required for submission to the ALIA Accreditation Panel and subsequently the ALIA Board of Directors by the Programme Coordinator.

Subsequently the accreditation status needs to be maintained and this involves annual checks by ALIA to ensure that the qualification is meeting requirements. This also means ensuring that the programme not only remains current but is producing skilled graduates who possess the competencies required by the LIS industry.

According to Mrs. Liviana Tabalala, gaining accreditation involved a process of learning which was both challenging yet rewarding at the same time. She thanked various stakeholders for their help and advice during the process, particularly the USPL management for been strong supporters of LIS education in the Pacific and providing much needed library space, resources and staffing.

The accredited programme includes eight courses in the qualification, with the final course involving an industry or work placement. Currently 110 students are enrolled in the four courses offered this semester and they will benefit when they complete their studies as the qualification is recognized not only in Australia but also internationally.

*Adapted from an article submitted by Liviana Tabalala, Head-College of Arts and Humanities, USP Pacific TAFE.*

## MARSHALL ISLANDS MANIT WEEK CELEBRATIONS

Cultural values and customs in the Marshall Islands are known as manit. Manit Day, an annual cultural festival to promote and preserve the Marshallese culture, was celebrated at The USP Marshall Islands Campus Library through a library display with the theme Culture and Diversity. Taufā Domona, Senior Library Assistant, worked with student groups Fiji, Tuvalu, Tonga, Kiribati as well as the Republic of the Marshall Islands, whose nationals are studying on campus.

The Marshall Islands Library Association (MILA) conducted a reading program during the Manit Day celebration where association members read to schools near their work places. Taufā visited two schools and read to kindergarten to grade 4 students in the elementary level. She commented that both schools did not have a library nor library books and there is a great need for both.

MILA also conducted an evaluation to ascertain the status of school libraries. The evaluation report will be presented to the Marshall Islands Ministry of Education whose strategic plan includes all schools having a library. Whilst school Principals are willing to give space, there is a lack of material and knowledge on how to develop and maintain a school library for which MILA is prepared to share.



*Taufā Domona storytelling to a very captivated audience.  
Photo courtesy of Taufā Domona*

## LIBRARY PRESENCE AT THE SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES POSTGRADUATE STUDENT ORIENTATION

The School of Social Sciences (SOSS) in the Faculty of Arts, Law and Education organised an orientation evening session for new postgraduate students on Thursday 22 February 2018 at the OCAPS Pavilion. This was an initiative by the school to foster a sense of community among its postgraduate students and SOSS staff.

The Library presented on services and support provided to postgraduate students. The focus of the presentation was Information Research Skills as a mandatory prerequisite for all newly registered postgraduate students; unclassified, postgraduate Diploma, postgraduate Masters or PhD students. Such students are now required to complete 14.5 contact hours in order to commence postgraduate studies. The role of Liaison Librarians for SOSS in keeping all informed about library news and latest developments was highlighted as the first point of contact between the department and the library.

The IRS for postgraduate students is an initiative by The USP Library to develop students advanced research skills in preparation for postgraduate studies to the ultimate goal of graduating with top grades and becoming lifelong learners. During the break out session, students asked many questions about the new compulsory IRS sessions and it was a great opportunity to meet staff and students and share with them the range of support and services that the library provides to this special group of users.

*Adapted from an article submitted by Vasiti Chambers, Librarian User Services, USP Laucala Campus*



## GOLDEN TALANOA SESSIONS



*Mere Tora at the Fiji High Commission in Wellington.*

As USP celebrates its Golden Jubilee, Libraries PaCfika interviewed Mere Saumaivei Tora (nee Voro) one of the forty-nine proud graduates of the first USP graduation ceremony in 1971. After graduating in 1971 with a Diploma in Education, she pursued her Bachelor of Arts in Education in 1976 and a Master of Education in 1997.

### *Tell us a bit about yourself.*

I attended Wainika Village School and Niusawa Methodist School in Taveuni for my primary education, and Lelean Memorial School for my secondary education. I hail from Cuku, Wainika and am the second eldest in a family of nine children. As a child, village life was full of fun in all its carefree simplicity - the beach, river and coconut plantation were my playground. As a family, life was simple and basic but it was about love and sharing the little we had. My parents worked very hard to support nine children on a semi-subsistence income and instilled in me very early in life the value of hard work and the importance of a good education to make it in life.

### *What prompted you to come or be sent to USP for further studies?*

USP was a new university and it offered a timely opening for further education. As the first of its kind in Fiji to prepare teachers for service in secondary schools, it was an attractive option for school leavers like me.

*The first USP Library was located in the present Oceania Centre gallery building. Did you frequent the Library? Please share with us any anecdotes of your time spent in the first library studying/ completing assignments.*

The library was one of my favorite places apart from Lookay's canteen of course, particularly when assignments were due/ overdue. But my best memories were those as a part time library assistant working after classes usually under a Mr. Obolensky. I looked forward to these additional times in the library as I was able to access books and the latest editions of publications.

*How was the USP Library different from your secondary school library if it did have one during your time?*

My school library was very small whereas USP even back then

was much bigger and had more selection for books and reading materials. Even the feel of the library was different as there was a sort of 'sacredness' about it with the wealth of information it held.

*Take us through your first graduation ceremony.*

My first graduation was held in the USP hangar and the British National anthem was sung. It was filled with excitement and there was a real buzz it being the first ever graduation ceremony for USP. I remember feeling excited and special with a sense of relief as well after three years of hard work. My loved ones were present and there was much jubilation and celebration all round.

*Surely you must have used the Library again whilst pursuing your undergraduate studies as well as your Master's degree. What differences or changes did you see and experience?*

Besides the physical size and the volume of resources available, there was greater access to other resources not available in the USP Library. Being able to do inter library loans with other academic libraries was a big plus. This service was not available during the early years of USP. The new technology available in the library also helped me in my research and writing. The increase in qualified staff compared to the early years greatly assisted in my studies.

*After your postgraduate studies, what did you go on to do?*

I continued with education administration for a couple of years before joining the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and was posted to the Fiji High Commission in Wellington in 2000, serving for 5 years. When I returned in 2006, I joined the Prime Minister's Office as a policy analyst/adviser then I was posted again to Wellington in 2010 until I retired in August of last year.

*If you were to walk into the USP Library today, what are your expectations?*

When I started in 1969 the library was as new as the institution and trying to find its feet. When I came back for my post graduate study the library had become an established entity. If I walked into the library now after 50 years, I expect to see an information resource center of excellence that boasts the latest technology and resources and is the premier go-to source for all Pacific Knowledge. You surely have come a long way Mere! We sincerely thank you for your time in taking us down memory lane and sharing with us on how USP Library has shaped you into the successful person you are today. We wish you the very best. **Vinaka vakalevu Mere!**



*USP hangar, site of first USP graduation ceremony.  
Photo courtesy of USP*

# DEVELOPMENTS & FEATURES

## PAC STAFF MAKE A TOUR OF THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES OF FIJI

Library Assistants Sofi Serevi and Aarti Mala together with Laurel Stewart, Junior Library Assistant, from The USP Library's Pacific Collection went on an educational tour of the National Archives of Fiji on Friday 10 November 2017. Accompanying them was Viliame Talemaimaleya who attends to bindery work requests from Pacific Collection. The tour was organized during the vacation break at a time when the issue desk is less busy and the university is winding down its activities.

The tour proved very insightful and informative for the staff given that the Pacific Collection has a growing archival section as well as a rare and valuable collection whereby its oldest material was published in 1743. The visit was also relevant noting that USP Library is only one of two legal depository libraries in Fiji, the other being the National Archives of Fiji, and all depository materials received are kept in the Pacific Collection. Governed by the Libraries (Deposit of Books) Act (1972) with a core purpose of preserving the nation's cultural and intellectual heritage, the National Archives of Fiji and The University of the South Pacific Library are mandated to receive a copy of everything published in the country.

During the tour, four sections of the National Archives were visited. The first was the Digital Continuity Unit, the newest inclusion to the National Archives whose main component is digitization of old materials. This unit houses over one hundred thousand old photographs and at least two thousand hours of historical audiovisual footage. As staff are dealing with special equipment on a daily basis, they were initially sent to Australia for specialist training.

Next on the tour was the Archives Repository or Archives Administration and Advisory Services section. This unit contains approximately eight kilometers of shelving holding historical public records that are arranged and described for easy retrieval. Certain records are also published for scholarly research purposes. Archival staff also evaluate and select records that have permanent value. Some of the historical documents on display included:

- Register of baptisms and marriages of Europeans in the Fiji District 1836 – 1925
- Register of Crown grants
- Land Claims Commission 1874
- Deed of Cession 10 October 1874

The third section the group visited was the Conservation section that is responsible for the proper conservation and restoration of permanent records and materials. The staff of this section also provide technical advice to government departments on conservation and bookbinding issues.

The last stop, familiar ground for the tour members, was the Archives Library. Armed with a greater appreciation for what the staff of the National Archives of Fiji are doing as guardians of some of the nation's most iconic documents, each tour member also walked away with a memorabilia tote bag that included a bookmark, key tag and pen.

The USP Library management and staff wish to thank Opetia Alefaio, Director, and the staff of the National Archives of Fiji for their warm and welcoming hospitality.

*Adapted from an article submitted by Sofi Serevi, Library Assistant, USP Laucala Campus.*



*Arieta Buliruarua, Senior Archivist, Digital Continuity Unit, National Archives of Fiji presenting to the visitors. Photo courtesy of Laurel Stewart*



*Tour members captivated by the historical documents on display in the Archives Repository. Photo courtesy of Laurel Stewart*



*Taito Raione, Senior Conservator, National Archives of Fiji, explaining conservation techniques to Viliame Talemaimaleya, Aarti Mala and Sofi Serevi. Photo courtesy of Laurel Stewart*

# DEVELOPMENTS & FEATURES

## HARDWORKING BUSY BEES

The Main USP Library was a hive of activity during the vacation break last year beginning in early November till mid-December. Eight young, strong and eager Student Assistants pursuing degree programs at USP were recruited for five weeks to assist the Library's pool of Attendants in dismantling shelves and clearing Level A of books, furniture and shelves. Staff were supplied with gloves, helmets, safety boots and back support belts to adhere to Occupational Health and Safety requirements.

Library Assistants were equally busy right sizing the collection by weeding obsolete titles. The periodicals collection that was previously on Level A was relabeled and moved to their various respective collections - social science serials to the social science area on Level B and science serials to the science area on Level C. The catalogue was also updated to reflect this change in location.

Orchestrated by Jonetani Joji, Senior Library Attendant, and Joeli Vuniduvu, long serving Library Attendant, with overall oversight from Judith Titoko and Ela Qica, Senior Librarians, the Library was able to successfully hand over Level A in the allocated time period to the next phase of the reconfiguration into the Library Commons.

The new Library Commons is envisioned to possess a layout that offers a multitude of learning experiences that caters to a range of learning needs. Equally exciting is the fact that the Library's print collection is no longer a mere silo of informational resources, but rather a more focused and appealing collection that has not lost its diverse and multidisciplinary coverage.

The Library management would like to thank the following Student Assistants for their hard work:

- Eroni Baleirara
- Israel Donumainasava
- Daniel Lockwood
- Divesh Prasad
- Isikeli Qalica
- Seremaia Qereqeretabua
- Joji Vounia
- Savenaca Vunisa

A big vinaka vakalevu also goes out to all the Library staff of the Main Campus Library for their input that saw the successful completion of this project phase.

There is hope that similar plans are in store for regional campuses in the next strategic period 2019-2024.



*The lift decided not to work and armed with smiles and muscles, staff lifted furniture and carried boxes of books using the only route available, the stairs.*



*Heads down and hard at work were Ledua Tamanitoakula, Jade Moore and Leela Nair, Library Assistants, under the watchful eyes of Lavenia Sau, Senior Library Assistant.*



*Donned in hard hats and gloves brandishing hammers, Joeli Vuniduvu and Jonetani Joji dismantling shelves.*

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*Amit Kumar, Jone Batiwale and Joeli Vuniduwa, Library Attendants, in a jovial mood.*



*Staff from Mechanical Services removing the old air conditioning ducting.*

## FUN ALSO ON LEVEL C

Not to be left out from all the excitement on Level A, Level C also had its fair share of thrill and heavy work. Mechanical Services Limited won the tender to replace the air conditioning ducting in the Pacific Collection. First installed some thirty years ago, the aging ducting required urgent replacement, which was carried out over six weeks. There was much noise and dust with parts of the collection covered in tarpaulin.

With the completion of the ducting works, PAC is making room for the growing collection arising from the relocation of numerous trolleys of Pac-related materials that were previously shelved on Level A.

## LIBRARY FREEBIES!

### Governance and Recordkeeping Around The World

Governance and Recordkeeping Around The World is a free, online newsletter that explores and highlights issues pertaining to government and recordkeeping practices in the public and private sector. The newsletter updates readers with the latest news, events, trends, best practices, tools and case studies in information management, libraries, and archives from around the world. The latest January issue is now online at <http://www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/services/government-information-resources/information-management/Pages/governance-recordkeeping-newsletter.aspx>

### ToxicDocs goes live

Available at [www.ToxicDocs.org](http://www.ToxicDocs.org) ToxicDocs is a free searchable database containing millions of internal corporate and trade association documents aimed at leveling the playing field by combating toxic exposures. Documents related to the introduction of new products and chemicals in workplaces and commerce allows users of the database to identify what firms know (or do not know) about the dangers of toxic substances in their products. The database opens many areas to inquiry including environmental studies, business history, government regulation and public policy. A free to view special section titled ToxicDocs ([www.ToxicDocs.org](http://www.ToxicDocs.org)): from history buried in stacks of paper to open, searchable archives online is available in the Journal of Public Health Policy, a Palgrave Macmillan journal published by Springer Nature.

### Free courses in learning in a digital age

The Open Education Resources University (OERu), based in NZ, is offering a free course which consists of four micro courses on learning in a digital age. Aimed at developing the skills and confidence of individuals to become competent and autonomous learners in a digital age, the micro courses include:

- a) Digital Literacies for Online Learning
- b) Digital Citizenship

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- c) Open Education, copyright and open licensing in a digital world
- d) Critical Media Literacies and associated digital skills

These free online self-learning courses with certification from the University of the Highlands and Islands (Scotland) are considered essentials in entering the digital world of teaching and learning. They run from March to May 2018. For more information, please visit: <https://oeru.org/learning-in-a-digital-age/>

## TWO OLD BOOKSHELVES MAKE THEIR WAY TO NABALA SECONDARY SCHOOL

Two old bookshelves sold by the USP Library at a mere reasonable price of \$10 each were bought by Nabala Secondary School through one of its former students, Tavite Rokila Qionibaravi, now a Library Attendant at USP Library.

Nabala Secondary School is situated along the dusty gravel road from the junctions of Korovuli to Tabia where it reconnects to the main highway to Labasa. It is located on the coastal side of the province Macuata.

On 15 December, the two bookshelves were loaded on the school carrier which then boarded the Patterson Shipping's boat Spirit of Harmony. Off loaded the following day, contact and arrangement was made with the principal Mrs. Senijiale Alevana, a former schoolmate of Tavite's at Saint Bedes College in Savusavu, that the shelves would be assembled on 12 January 2018.



*Solomone Ravaya and Gabriele Qionibaravi assembling the bookshelves along the school corridor. Photo courtesy of Tavite Qionibaravi*

The break allowed Tavite to celebrate Christmas and New Year with his family and after returning to work for a week resumed his leave and departed for his village of Nasealevu. After nineteen odd years, it was a special moment for him setting foot again in the school that nurtured him to where he is today.

With the help of two of his nephews, Gabriele Qionibaravi and Solomone Ravaya, they successfully assembled the shelves in time to catch the 6pm bus back to Seaqaqa for Tavite's return trip back to Suva on Sunday 14 January.

*Adapted from an article submitted by Tavite Qionibaravi, Library Attendant, USP Laucala Campus.*

# CONFERENCES & WORKSHOPS

## ISBN ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2018

The 2018 ISBN Annual General Meeting scheduled for Monday 24 and Tuesday 25 September 2018 will be held in Sliema, Malta and hosted by the National Book Council of Malta.

## INTERNATIONAL INDIGENOUS LIBRARIAN FORUM

The 11th International Indigenous Librarians Forum will be held from 7 - 10 February 2019 in New Zealand with the theme "Tāmaki Herenga Waka". The theme focuses on welcoming indigenous waka or vessels to return and tether within Tāmaki, providing a safe haven for discussions that will impact future generations of indigenous traditional knowledge and its' acquisition, storage and use. The Forum will return to the shores of Aotearoa New Zealand in 2019 to celebrate its twentieth year of existence.

Held every two years, the International Indigenous Librarians'

Forum provides an opportunity for indigenous information professionals to network, share and discuss best practice models in the interest of fostering and preserving indigenous languages, traditions, cultures and values within libraries, museums, archives and other educational institutions.

More information including sub-themes and submission guidelines can be found at <https://trw.org.nz/call-for-papers-iilf-2019/>

## IFLA GENERAL CONFERENCE AND ASSEMBLY

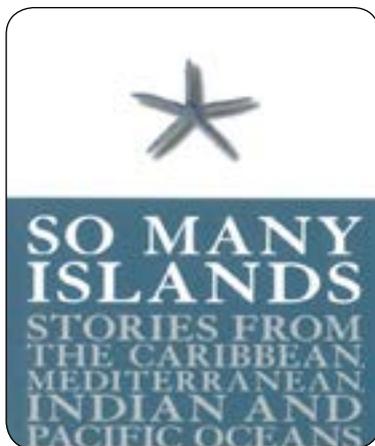
The 84th IFLA General Conference and Assembly will be held from 24 – 30 August, 2018 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia with the theme Transform Libraries, Transform Societies. It offers great opportunities for networking, professional development and brings together thousands of participants from across the globe to its international trade exhibition. Visit <https://2018.ifla.org/> for more information.

# PUBLICATIONS



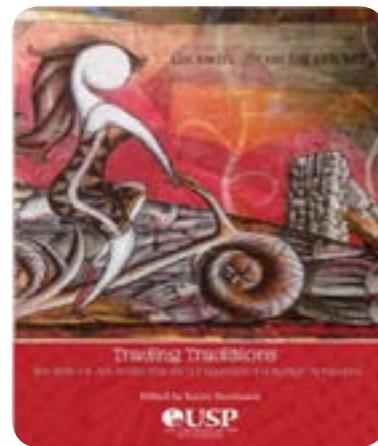
**THE LIGHT AND DARK IN OUR STUFF** / Mere Taito. Suva, Fiji : Mere Taito, 2017. ISBN: 9780473417192 32 p. FJD15.00

“A poetry book by Mere Taito originally from the Island of Rotuma who now resides in New Zealand. Poets have a role to play in raising awareness of pressing social, economic and political issues that affect our communities. Mere Taito’s illustrated chapbook of poetry pulls you through dark matter and then light. Inspired by her 8-year-old nephew’s observation that poetry books are boring because ‘there are no pictures’, this chapbook is highly visual.”



**SO MANY ISLANDS : STORIES FROM THE CARIBBEAN, MEDITERRANEAN, INDIAN AND PACIFIC OCEANS** / Nicholas Laughlin, Nailah Folami Imoja. Auckland, NZ : Little Island Press, 2017. ISBN: 9781877484421 256 p. FJD35.00

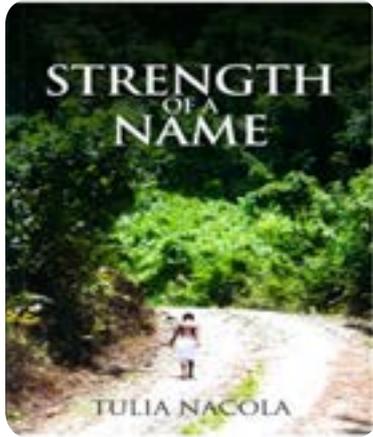
“It’s too easy to draw for similarities, and yet there is so much that all island people have in common, just as there are many things port cities and fishing villages have in common, and not just a take-it-as-it-comes approach to life. Dig deep into the poetry and prose, and you find, to borrow a phrase from the writer Pankaj Mishra, a fundamental instability. You find folk wisdom clashing with facts and knowledge to create a new folk wisdom. You find things that usually bring people together coming apart, and people forced to redefine not just community but identity.” – Marlon James



**TRADING TRADITIONS: THE ROLE OF THE PACIFIC'S EXPANSIVE EXCHANGE NETWORKS** / edited by Karen Stevenson. Suva, Fiji : USP Press, 2017 ISBN: 9789820109704 110 p. FJD15.00

This volume is the result of a Pacific Arts Association conference held in Tonga, 2015. The theme of this conference offered a myriad of investigations into the role/s art has played in the exchange of objects, peoples, technologies, and ideologies in the pre-historic, historic, and modern Pacific. It is not limited to ‘physical’ exchanges, but also addresses complex social, economic and political arrangements/interactions between interconnected systems, structures and peoples. Our delegates; researchers and scholars, curators and artists engaged these broad themes sharing their knowledge and experiences with other conference attendees thereby building networks for ongoing intellectual and social exchange.

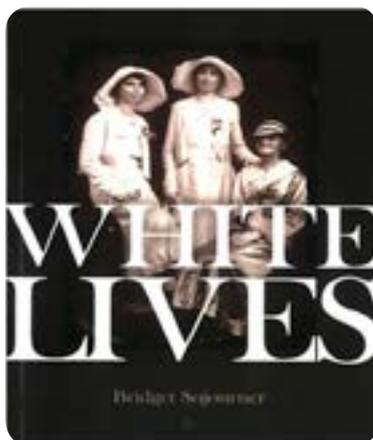
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**STRENGTH OF A NAME** / Tulia Nacola. [Suva], Fiji :  
Tulia Nacola, 2018. ISBN: 9789829818614

172 p. FJD28.00

The book captures the stories that were told to me by my parents, in the hope that the generations that come after will know and appreciate their ancestors. Nacola wrote this book to keep the stories and the characters alive. They will live forever in these words and the message of love and understanding will continue to exist and be passed on generation after generation.

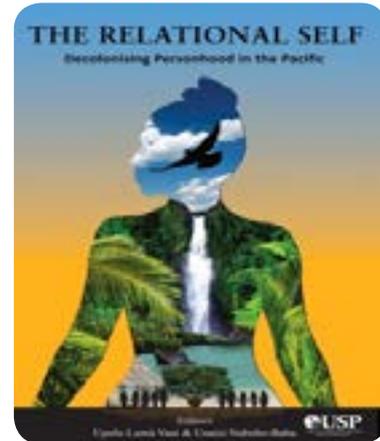


**WHITE LIVES** / Bridget Sojourner. 2nd ed., Suva, Fiji :  
Quality Print, 2018.

ISBN: 9789829818812 84 p. FJD30.00

Bridget Sojourner – one of the Fabulous Fashionistas from the UK Television documentary – has recounted the lives of white women residing

in Fiji straddling a period over two countries. Living and working as a health educator in many countries throughout the world, Fiji has been one consistently re-visited since work in the 1970's, providing research. Friendships, grandchildren and great grandchildren Bridget in her 80th year lives in London, cycling to work as a gardener and is actively involved in her local community.

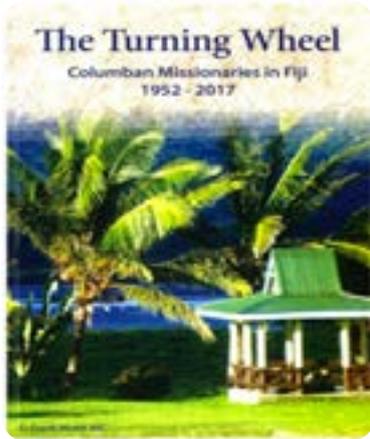


**THE RELATIONAL SELF : DECOLONISING PERSONHOOD IN THE PACIFIC** / Upolu Luma Vaai and Unaisi Nabobo-Baba (editors). Suva, Fiji : USP Press and Pacific Theological College, 2017.

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This book celebrates without apology the fact that indigenous spirituality lives and breathes in our Pacific person and personhood. In so doing, it celebrates what is core to indigeneity in the Pacific: our names and our naming; our knowing, being and seeing; and our identities and sense of belonging. It exposes how our grip on our own search for how we should understand the many dimensions of our Pacific-ness is slipping, and it offers a thoughtful conversation on how we can get better traction on it and really own it.” - Tui Atua Tupua Tamasese Ta’isi Efi, Former Head of State of Samoa.

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The Turning Wheel is a book based on the history of Columban missionaries in Fiji from 1952 to 2017. Father Frank Hoare, who is the author, said the name of the book was derived from churches of Asia and Pacific that were now the mission sending churches.”Young churches of Asia and Pacific are now the mission sending churches, that is the reason for the name of the book — the wheel is turning, those who were the subjects of missions are now the missionaries.”



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