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## EDITORIAL

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### Just-in-Case and Just-in-Time Approaches to Library Services

The COVID pandemic has further challenged the role of libraries as information providers. We have needed to relook at our services from just-in-time and just-in-case approaches.

In Fiji, the closure of the main Campus Library at Laucala from April 21, 2021 to 3 October 2021 due to COVID lockdown and restrictions for Viti Levu meant that services had to be re-looked at, lessons learnt from the 2020 lockdown and improvements made, coupled with new initiatives introduced for the sake of our users.

Library personnel who had work equipment and could comfortably work from home did so and provided weekly reports to the University Librarian for the information of the University's Senior University Management. Thus, most of the services that could be offered via the online environment continued from home and zoom meetings were conducted online to discuss important issues and keep track of business requirements and performance.

New initiatives were introduced so that academics, students and other support staff were not disadvantaged in their learning, teaching and research.

These included:

- A delivery service for items from the general collection to homes or users closest post office;
- Scanning of articles and Pacific collection items in compliance with copyright;

- Distribution to Halls of Residence print copies of the daily newspapers Fiji Sun and Fiji Times, no longer accessible from the Library building;
- Liaison with the University of the South Pacific Students Association (USPSA) Laucala management and issuance from the Library of laptops purchased by the Student Union;
- Online library payments implemented in consultation with Finance;
- Walk-Online Information Research Skills (IRS sessions) accessible across the USP Library Network replaced Laucala face-to-face sessions;
- LibChat live service on the library website from 2-6pm, Monday to Friday allowed online chat between users and Librarians and get questions answered in real time;
- Library opening under strict COVID compliance protocols for academics to browse the General Collection and to access Pacific Collection resources every Thursday; and
- A 2021 library survey to find out users' needs during this COVID period for analysis and comparison with the 2020 survey and for improvement.

In times like this, our responsiveness as librarians to changing situations and needs through research, learning and implementing new ways of service provision is essential to ensure that our customers are able to achieve their goals. May we do that with a smile, knowing that when our customers are pleased with our services, we are professionally satisfied.

**Liviana Tabalala**

# REGIONAL CONNECTIONS

## The Kindness Effect: a Grandmother Volunteer – Fiji Book Drive[FBD]

The Fiji Book Drive project reported in July 2021 the collection of a shipment of 42,000 books by schools and kindergartens. According to Fiona Luth, the Australian based FBD Chief Executive, it was a long and challenging process. “Fiji is in the midst of a lockdown and this made for constant obstacles. With some quick thinking by our operations manager, Lavenia Tamani, problems were solved. As Fijian children are in lockdown, books are more vital than ever,” continued Fiona.

She and the FBD team received many requests from Fijian teachers and tourists to help a particular school. They were unable to respond to requests as they have a strategy that ensures fairness and “toso vata” (working hand in hand) with the relevant Fijian authorities.

Fiona shared an incredible story when Claire, a grandmother of six wrote to her. Claire was concerned about the lack of books at the St Joseph the Worker school which her grandchildren attend. She was buying books with her own money to help, but it wasn't nearly enough. “At the pointy end of packing we found we had roughly 2000 books. Rosie Allen, a welcomed friend of FBD packed these books. They were big books, a beautiful selection of picture books and educational resources.” Claire now has these books which will be handed over to St Joseph the worker school after the lockdown.

Claire also provided her credentials to the Fiji Ministry of Education as a reading helper volunteer at the St Joseph the Worker school. She spent 3 months researching online how to run a library. Once the school re-opens, its 900 students will have access to books and a wonderful grandmother volunteer. Fiona reiterates, “This is why Fiji Book Drive operates, we want to get books into the hands of kids and also assist with the literacy boosting strategies.”

Palpable joy as the students of Vunisea District School hold up the books and learning resources that were donated by Fiji Book Drive.

“Readers Are Leaders”



## Fijian Oral Histories in National Library of Australia

One of the Library's important responsibilities is to ensure that the histories and contributions of migrants are represented in our collection. Australia is home to more expatriate Fijians than any other country. We are reaching out to Fijian communities around Australia to encourage them to add their oral histories, pictures, manuscripts and published materials to the national collection.

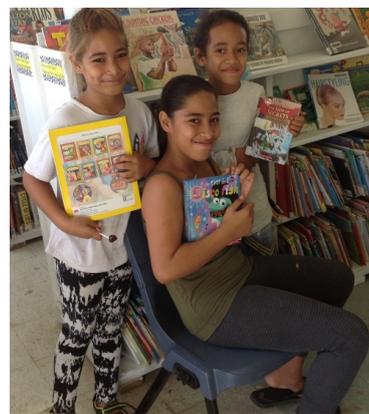
Call for Fijian Australian contributions. Would you like to share your story with us for our oral history project? [https://nla.au1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_ab17YLMurp7I2SW](https://nla.au1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_ab17YLMurp7I2SW)

Source: <https://www.nla.gov.au/stories/blog/collecting-fijian-australian-stories>



Source: Fiona Luth, CEO Fiji Book Drive

## Kolovai Community Public Library Fala 'o ATA - Kingdom of Tonga



**Kolovai Community Public Library** is open to all ages – young and old. The library opening hours are from 9:30am to 4pm, Mondays to Saturdays. Everyone is free to use and borrow any kind of books.

There are Saturday reading activities organized, so as free access to internet, inspiring children and adults to read for pleasure and confidently surf and explore online information.

Contacts: phone: +67641413/+67641293, cellphone +6767717343

Source: <https://kolovaicpl.wordpress.com/>  
<https://kolovailibrary.mykoha.co.nz/>



# DEVELOPMENTS AND FEATURES

## USP Library Network Acknowledge Learning and Research Support Contributions for USP – THE's Ranking Achievement

**University Librarian, Elizabeth Reade Fong** acknowledged the contribution of the USP Library Network and its pivotal role in support of learning, teaching and research at the University of the South Pacific. This is in response to the USP recent ranking by Times Higher Education.

"We are very proud of the international recognition granted to our regional institution by Times Higher Education. Every library staff member, current and past, can be proud of the Library's role in the University's achievement.

The award reaffirms the important role that we play as information providers and our efforts at maintaining international standards as established by the first University Librarian, Harold Holdsworth and continued by Dr. Esther Williams, Carol Mills and Sin Joan Yee.

I wish to convey to each and every one of you my thanks for what you do on a daily basis to ensure we meet our Vision and Mission as we support that of the University in Shaping Pacific Futures.

To our Campus Directors, vinaka sara vakalevu to your commitment to campus/centre libraries.

With every good wish as we continue our journey as the leading higher education institution and library in the Region.

We acknowledge VCP Pal and his SMT who believe 'that an institutions worth is evidenced in its Library.'

**Source:** *Elizabeth Reade Fong, University Librarian*

## Congratulatory Messages from Past University Librarians in Response to USP's Ranking

### ...Dr Esther Williams, University Librarian 1981-2004, Deputy Vice Chancellor 2005-2013

"It is indeed a very proud and happy moment to share with you in the THE's ranking of USP as amongst the top 10% research universities.

Over the past 53 years, the University Library has played an important role in achieving this recognition despite the many challenges faced on many fronts. It is great that the current university administration recognises this. The University Library stands out and is always in the forefront in its support of research undertaken by many associated with the University, academia, new technologies and modern library practices.

I clearly remember that when we faced catastrophic natural disasters from Bebe to Winston, we picked up the pieces and built stronger facilities and collections.

When we faced political disasters, we managed to continue our services to all staff and students throughout the region. When we faced shortage of resources in every way, we found creative ways to face our problems and continue our teaching and learning services to all. And when we faced critical questions on our academic role in the university and inequalities, we showed that we are just as good and better than some of our academic

counterparts in publishing, research and teaching not only in USP but internationally.

It just reflects the quality and resilience of all who built and worked in the library, past and present and those whom we will remember fondly.

The University with the Library have come a long way together and no doubt you will all travel together in the exciting future ahead of you to achieve the next target to be the top 5% universities. As in the words of one of the Library's strongest supporters and friend, academic, writer and poet, the late Epeli Hau'ofa's, "follow the ocean which is your pathway rather than a barrier."

**Source:** *Dr Esther Batiri Williams, Director, Williams Consultancy Services Ltd. PO. Box 1162, Suva Fiji M: 679 9925269*

### ...Congratulatory Message from Joan Yee, University Librarian 2006-2016

"**Congratulations to USP** for this great achievement despite the enormous difficulties and challenges of the recent past.

I am very proud of the important role that the library has played and is playing. Thank you to all the library staff for their role, and also to the students, USP colleagues and management for their strong support of the library. I am very privileged to have been a small part of this journey."

**Source:** *Joan Yee, Retired. Melbourne, Victoria, Australia.*

## Marshall Islands Student Completes USP's DLIS

**Annely Keju of the Republic of the Marshall Islands** completed her Diploma of Library and Information Services (DLIS) at the end of semester 1, 2021. She was hosted by Tafa Domona, senior library assistant in charge of USP campus library Marshall Islands to complete the practicum requirement of the qualification.

# PEOPLE AND FOCUS

## ...INTERVIEWS

### Reflections on the Library Profession: Senior Library Assistants Viewpoints .... with Vilimaina Vakaciwa

Not everyone who works in a library is a librarian. Just like other professional and public service institutions such as hospitals who have a hierarchy of positions from doctors to nurses, caregivers, medical attendants and janitors, the library is no different. Regardless of library types – academic, national, school, special or public, all are staffed with both trained professional and paraprofessional individuals according to individuals relevant qualifications, area(s) of expertise and experience.

Academic libraries in Pacific Island countries are no exception – the University of the South Pacific (USP) campuses and centres in the twelve member countries, Fiji National University, National University of Samoa and Solomon Islands College of Higher Education, to name a few, are resourced by library personnel in the professional and paraprofessional levels.

At the USP, there are trained and experienced paraprofessional staff holding senior library assistant positions in various campus libraries: three in Laucala, and one each in Cook Islands, Marshall Islands and Samoa.

Libraries PaCfika sent the following questions to the six senior library assistants, followed by a virtual forum session to reflect on their thoughts, experiences and perceptions about the profession. They were asked the following questions:

**(i) Discuss the strengths and challenges that you have identified about the profession and how we could strengthen or improve on these?**

**(ii) In the current global COVID pandemic, what do you perceive or vision as the way forward for your library business?**

**(iii) What sort of future would you like to see in the library profession in the region? If you are given the opportunity to enhance the library and information profession in the region, what will be that one change or development you will do?**

**Jade Moore, Senior Library Assistant- USP Campus Laucala (Fiji)**



A valuable attribute about working in the library profession is that it provides me with the skills to analyse information and in an era where social media and fake news are predominant, these skills are a necessity when making informed decisions. I feel that the library offers very good services to our users but students often under-utilise or do not see the value of these services. An example is the Information Research Skills (IRS) for undergraduate students or the Student Learning Support (SLS) service in the library – these sessions are very important and beneficial to new undergraduate students; but, students are not maximizing the usefulness of these services which are readily available and accessible to them. Yet, when students do attend these sessions they come out very happy with the skills they have learned. Possible means to overcome these challenges in my view is for library staff to enhance awareness, marketing and research and development.

The way forward for the library business, is the increasing demand on online services and resources to assist with online learning and research. Services such as LibChat, Ask-a-librarian and Zoom sessions will be the new normal when assistance will be required, replacing the traditional information desk.

- Online resources with more access to reliable Open Access resources as well as paid subscriptions for databases will increase.
- The use of social media as a marketing and networking tool will also increase for libraries.
- For more online services there will also be an increase in the need of electronic devices especially for students in the region therefore libraries may need to also extend their services to include the issuing of more electronic devices.

The future move for the library profession in the region, is to encourage the offer of accredited library and information science degree programmes in tertiary colleges and universities in the region. It becomes a possibility as well as an opportunity for those who wish to study further in the library and information studies discipline but cannot afford to study as overseas students with universities in Australia and New Zealand. Regional Governments through the respective ministries and departments of education together with national libraries associations need to provide scholarships and study assistance in the LIS discipline for students and in-service libraries staff to attain the appropriate library and information degree in either undergraduate or postgraduate studies.

**Vaine Tutai Parima Senior Library Assistant - USP Campus Cook Islands**



In light of the current re-establishment of the Cook Islands campus library, the challenges faced had been the re-organisation and setting up of the new library space in the campus in time for semester 2, 2021. For the past several years the campus library was housed in the Cook Islands Museum library, access to the collection by campus students was restricted and limited due to many factors: isolation of the physical location of the library, wireless connectivity issues and library hours' policy which is not conducive to campus students who are mostly in-service and working fulltime. The needs of students to access prescribed texts were not often met. The lack of having professionally trained library staff for many years contributed to students and researchers not getting adequate research support services and guidance such as information literacy and library and information services orientation and awareness. The professional and technical support from the wonderful team at the main USP library campus in Laucala is appreciated, the Regional team continuously help in bridging the gaps.

A way forward would be to ensure that the library is well-stocked with required textbooks for courses that we offer each semester. In the current global COVID pandemic, there has been irregular or less flights to the 'outer islands' which would disadvantage students in these localities. This could be a barrier on enabling outer island students to have physical access to books and return them before the due dates. The possible solution is to invest on the use of electronic resources and ebooks equivalent of print prescribed texts. One development I would like to see in the library profession in Cook Islands, is having "libraries without borders," anyone wherever they are, can have equitable access to any information services they need and at any time they need it. Having a virtual library that is accessible to all- regardless which island you live on in the Cook Islands.

**Taufa Domona, Senior Library Assistant - USP Campus Marshall Islands**



I believe the strengths in the library and information profession is vested in having the right combination of the required library training qualifications, experience and skill sets in both customer and technical services. Having these attributes will enable one to become multi-skilled and having the confidence and competence to deliver excellent services to library users and the managerial experience to direct and manage a library. The challenges are: the lack of governmental support at national and regional levels to provide educational opportunities for library paraprofessionals to pursue the professional library qualifications of either undergraduate or post graduate library and information studies degrees; lack of societal awareness and recognition of the value and significance of the profession and its contribution to national economy.

In view of the global COVID pandemic, libraries will operate accordingly to the emerging needs and demands of the "new normal" in which we as library staff will need to adapt to more flexible modes of operation – hybrid working model, work from anywhere, anytime. More information services will be delivered virtually via relevant digital platforms and spaces. The IFLA statement that "training is a vital element of the activities of any library," must be embraced more fully, and there must be a planned and progressive training for staff at all levels to meet the changing information demands of the current pandemic era. Our training should now focus on technical, IT and communication skills to be able to work and fit into this digital environment. My emphasis will be strengthening capacities and vigorous marketing of the library and information profession and what we library and information people can do to make a world of difference to humanity.



Information professionals have the technical skills and competencies to educate people so they are able to search, select, analyse and evaluate the vast amount information to help them make informed decisions.

The challenge faced in the library profession is the rapidly changing technologies landscape which demand high level of technical skills from library professionals to become enablers in providing and delivering effective and quality services to users. Library and information professionals in developing countries are challenged by: the lack of technical skills to competently use digital applications; poor fiscal condition of libraries, inadequate infrastructure, low level of information literacy skills, and professional training status. These challenges can be adequately met through relevant and progressive training of library staff and continuing education and development programs (CEDP) by Library Associations and LIS Schools.

With ongoing discussions about reopening campuses, academic libraries face a paradigm shift. Library staff will be returning to a "new normal" -- one where in-person classes and service interactions may be impossible or no longer preferred, where collections in physical format may be a barrier to access, and where collaborative study is shunned in favor of social distancing in buildings that can only safely house half the people they used to. In terms of collections, diminishing value of print and a demand for eResources as a priority will demand increase in budget and time on expanding digital collections. Services will move towards self-service models and virtual alternatives and online teaching will be the preferred mode of delivery.

One development to the library profession I would perceive is the need to be more flexible, to breakdown walls and barriers, adapt to new technologies, create and ignite libraries as virtual spaces for everyone's learning a possibility.

**Libraries without borders, anyone wherever they are, can have equitable access to any information services they need and at any time they need it.**

## ARRIVALS... DEPARTURES...

### ...Appointments

#### **Vaine Tutai Parima USP Cook Islands Campus Senior Library Assistant**



Tutai joined USP on 17th May, 2021. She has a Bachelor of Teaching from the University of Waikato, New Zealand, a Certificate in Library/Information Studies and Certificate in Information Systems from the University of the South Pacific. She was a library officer in charge of USP Cook Islands campus from 2001 to 2003. She became a tutor and trainer for Sports Education New Zealand (SENZ) in 2007. She rejoined USP campus as consultant research assistant from 2017 until her appointment as senior library assistant.

### ...Leaving

**Daniel, eResources librarian at the USP library** has resigned and will leave in December to take up a position of Head of Technical Services at a library in the United States.



**Skye Ravenscroft, librarian, Emalus Campus** resigned for personal reasons and will leave in December.

## ...Obituary

### **Alanieta Valuvou, USP library Staff**



Alanieta or more, commonly called Ala by her USP library colleagues and friends passed away late Saturday night on the 14th August 2021 due to COVID. She was laid to rest at the Pacific Harbour Cemetery, Deuba on Friday 20th August. Ala was 60 years old and survived by her partner, Eroni Talemaigau.

Due to COVID pandemic restrictions and lockdown, her funeral was livestreamed by Kula livestreaming and productions so to allow library colleagues, friends, family and relatives to be part of Alanieta's funeral. The USP library was represented by two library staff, Vilimaina Vakaciwa and Jone Colati, who reside in Pacific Harbour. Ala was an excellent worker and committed to her cleaning responsibility until her untimely death during the lockdown period. "Ala came to USP from FNU in 2013 and quickly adapted to the USP Library work patterns and standards. She stepped in as the Supervisor on occasions and was proud to perform the tasks associated with the position. Always willing to take on her tasks and any additional work that she was asked to do, she will be remembered for this and her smiling face," Elizabeth Fong, University Librarian mentioned when reflecting on Ala.

"There are many of us that are very close to Ala, she has so many friends because of her personality and that she continuously shares, with us as colleagues and especially with others. She will be remembered for a very long time," was the message from the USP Staff Union.

Senior staff members at the USP library described Ala as always very kind and helpful. She will be remembered for her gentleness and humility. Ala was appreciated for maintaining a high standard of work. A beautiful soprano voice she had which the library family will miss very much in future Library singing choruses time.

### **David Whitaker, one of the key pioneers of ISBN Passed Away**



David Whitaker, one of the foremost early champions of book numbering has passed away. Based in London, UK, he worked with his father Haddon in the family firm from the 1950s.

The family firm was J. Whitaker and Sons Ltd., renowned as the publisher of The Bookseller magazine and of the famous Almanack. David Whitaker was one of the prominent players in the establishment of standard book numbering (SBN) - the precursor to the ISBN. In the course of automating and revolutionizing the manually intensive processes in the 1960s publishing and bookselling; David Whitaker proposed that J Whitaker and Sons should embed the book number in their forthcoming book lists so making the SBN "as much a part of the book as the name of the author and title".

"The SBN was introduced in the UK in 1967 and enjoyed early success with David ensuring that J Whitaker and Sons became the first operational SBN Agency in the world. The system was also quickly adopted in the US, with early interest from Netherlands, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa and Germany among others. David helped to prepare the way for international standardisation and was the Chairman of the first ISO Working Group. The text was finalised in a little over two years and ISO 2108 (the ISBN Standard) was published in 1972. Further improvements and developments flowed from the introduction of ISBN - TeleOrdering, improved book sales monitoring, the refinement and expansion of metadata and more. "He realised the potential and benefits from a book numbering system, and advocated the need for an identifier for books. He was the prominent

pioneer to ISBN's success and ubiquitousness across the world's book supply chain. While it is hard to imagine a supply chain without the ISBN now, had it not been for his early support and forceful ability to persuade and mobilise other early influencers, things perhaps might have been very different."

Also between 1977 and 1979, David Whitaker was an editor of The Bookseller and Chairman of J Whitaker and Sons until he retired in 1997. He was made Officer of the British Empire (OBE) in the Queen's Birthday honours in 1991.

Source: <https://www.isbn-international.org/content/david-whitaker-obe-one-key-pioneers-isbn-dies/354> International ISBN Agency's website. International ISBN Agency 48-49 Russell Square

## CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

### "LIANZA Offers Virtual Registrations to Library Staff in the Pacific"

**MORE INFORMATION:** <https://www.librariesaotearoa.org.nz/>

LIANZA offers an amazing opportunity to all library and information professionals in the Pacific. LIANZA will fund ten virtual registrations to library and information professionals working in the Pacific, so apply by Friday October 8, 5pm (NZT) for the LIANZA 2021 Conference 2021.

Find out more and share with your colleagues and networks.

### IFLA World Library and Information Congress

“**Themes: Libraries Innovate; Libraries Include; Libraries Sustain; Libraries Inspire; Libraries Enable.**”

**Discover | Discuss | Present | Provoke | Solve**  
**17-19 August 2021**

IFLA WLIC is the world's most international library event held every year mostly in the month of August. This year, IFLA provided a World Library and Information Congress (WLIC) experience like no other. The first ever virtual Congress was supported by the Dutch National Committee, made it possible to experience an event open and accessible across continents, time zones, and information sectors.

The **theme** of the LIANZA 2021 Conference is

### Thriving Together

This captures our aspirations for the coming year as the sector works its way through COVID recovery with a spirit of collaboration.

Read more about the LIANZA 2021 Conference programme and check if you want to attend this virtual event.

#### IFLA Future Congresses

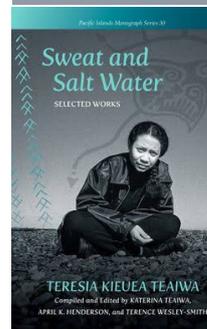
- **Dublin, Ireland 2022**
- **Rotterdam, Netherlands 2023 (with hybrid components)**

IFLA organised the most inclusive and accessible event in its history, bringing together professionals from across the globe to inspire best practice and engage with colleagues across the library and information field. IFLA WLIC is the leading international conference focused on our profession's commitment to high quality library and information services and access to information. Undeniably, the world has shifted significantly, this virtual Congress was an open platform and space for every librarian and information specialist "be a part of conversations happening at the forefront of library and information innovations: discover, discuss, present, provoke, and solve alongside industry colleagues and contribute to change and progress in the field."

## REVIEWS

### Sweat and Salt Water Selected Works

**Teresia Kieuea Teaiwa** / compiled and edited by Katerina Teaiwa, April K. Henderson, and Terence Wesley-Smith. Hawaii : University Press, 2021. ISBN: 9780824890285 (paperback). 288 p. : ill., (b&w); US\$20

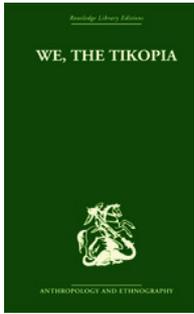


*"On 21 March 2017, Associate Professor Teresia Kieuea Teaiwa passed away at the age of forty-eight. News of Teaiwa's death precipitated an extraordinary outpouring of grief unmatched in the Pacific studies community since Epeli Hau'ofa's passing in 2009. Mourners referenced Teaiwa's nurturing interactions with numerous students and colleagues, her innovative program-building at Victoria University of Wellington, her inspiring presence at numerous conferences around the globe, her feminist and political activism, her poetry, her Banaban/ I-Kiribati/Fiji Islander and African American heritage, and her extraordinary ability to connect and communicate with people of all backgrounds.*

This volume features a selection of Teaiwa's scholarly and creative contributions captured in print over a professional career cut short at the height of her productivity. The collection honors her legacy in various scholarly fields, including Pacific studies, Indigenous studies, literary studies, security studies, and gender studies, and on topics ranging from militarism and tourism to politics and pedagogy. It also includes examples of Teaiwa's poems. Many of these contributions have had significant and lasting impacts. Teaiwa's "bikinis and other south pacific notions," published in *The Contemporary Pacific* in 1995, could be regarded as her breakthrough piece, attracting considerable attention at the time and still cited regularly today. With its innovative two-column format and reflective commentary, "Lo(o)sing the Edge," part of a special issue of *The Contemporary Pacific* in 2001, had similar impact. Teaiwa's writings about what she dubbed "militourism," and more recent work on militarization and gender, continue to be very influential.

Perhaps her most significant contribution was to Pacific studies itself, an emerging interdisciplinary field of study with distinctive goals and characteristics. In several important journal articles and book chapters reproduced here, Teaiwa helped define the essential elements of Pacific studies and proposed teaching and learning strategies appropriate for the field. *Sweat and Salt Water* includes fifteen of Teaiwa's most influential pieces and four poems organized into three categories: Pacific Studies, Militarism and Gender, and Native Reflections. A foreword by Sean Mallon, Teaiwa's spouse, is followed by a short introduction by the volume's editors. A comprehensive bibliography of Teaiwa's published work is also included."

**Source:** <https://uhpress.hawaii.edu/wp-content/uploads/2021-UHPress-Fall-Catalog.pdf>



**We the Tikopia : a sociological study of kinship in primitive Polynesia** / Raymond Firth.

Oxfordshire, UK : Routledge, 2011. ISBN: 9780415511285  
 666 p. USD98.9 (Paperback). Also available in hardcover and Francis & Taylor eBook.

"Recognized as a major work when first published, this title has, over the years, become a classic. Forming the basis of modern social anthropology,

We the Tikiopia stands in the forefront of its literature. The book is an excellent example of fieldwork analysis of a primitive society; a complete account of the working of a primitive kinship system; and an exhaustive and sophisticated study of Polynesian social institutions. First published in 1936."

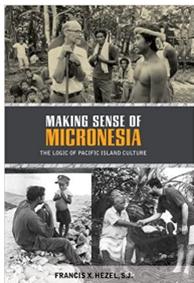


**The archaeology of Micronesia** / Paul Rainbird.

Cambridge, UK ; New York Cambridge University Press, 2004. ISBN: 978-0521656306 314 p. USD58.99  
 Available on eBook.

"In the first book-length archaeological study of Micronesia, Paul Rainbird surveys the development of the islands beginning with the

earliest process of human colonisation and places this development within the broader context of Pacific Island studies. The book draws on a wide range of archaeological, anthropological and historical sources."



**Making sense of Micronesia: the logic of Pacific Island culture** / Francis X. Hezel S.J

Hawaii : University Press, 2013. ISBN: 978-0824836610 200 p. USD55 (Hardcover)

" Why are islanders so lavishly generous with food and material possessions but so guarded with information? Why do these people, unfailingly polite for the most part, laugh openly

when others embarrass themselves? What does a smile mean to an islander? What might a sudden lapse into silence signify? These questions are common in encounters with an unfamiliar Pacific Island culture. Making Sense of Micronesia is intended for westerners who find themselves in contact with Micronesians—as teachers, social workers, health-care providers, or simply as friends—and are puzzled by their island ways. It is for anyone struggling to make sense of cultural exchanges they don't quite understand."

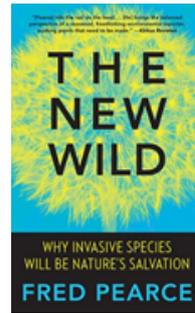
**“The heart and soul of good writing is research; you should write not what you know but what you can find out about.”**



**Dancing from the heart : movement, gender, and Cook Islands globalization** / Kalissa Alexeyeff

Honolulu : University of Hawaii Press, ©2009. ISBN: 978-0824832445 224 p. USD55 (Hardcover)

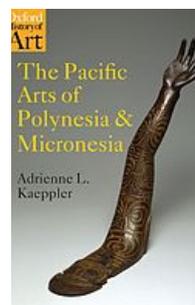
"This is the first study of gender, globalization, and expressive culture in the Cook Islands. It demonstrates how dance in particular plays a key role in articulating the overlapping local, regional, and transnational agendas of Cook Islanders."



**The New wild: why invasive species will be nature's salvation** / Fred Pearce.

MA., US : Beacon Press, 2016. . ISBN: 978-0807039557 264 p. USD22.85 (Paperback). Also available in hardcover and eBook.

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