## Recent Books from Guam and FSM - April 2018

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### A/V Materials

Historic Context : Umatac Historic Sites / Robert Joseph Steffy, Rlene Santos Steffy
Guam :Micronesian Publishing,2007
1 DVD
0977996344
\$ 25.00 / DVD

I think the key to Umatac, to its current situation and most definitely to its potential, is its natural setting. As you come down, you wind around, you go through the village. The bay is there. The mountains are in the background. The travel down the road just to the village, that inland road through the mountain is great. And, I think that everything else that's down there is just an extra plus. So there's no question that the village has a handful of very authentic historic structures there. The forts and the church ruins. And, we also have a series of etchings from the Freycinet and that type of adventure that also document the significance of the village. So, the potential there isn't in the remaining vernacular architecture, or that type of thing. It's the historic Spanish era building and then the natural terrain." Jack Benjamin Jones, Architect

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### Children's Books

Kiko's Adventure on the Magic Flying Proa / Laura M. Torres Souder & Frank Thomas "Kiko" Freitas Guzman (Illustration) Ariel P. Dimalanta Chicago, Illinois, USA: New Century Forum, Inc. 2017 32p. 9781891438035 \$ 29.95 / HB 384gm.

Kiko (7) and his Auntie Lo (66) are talking about ancestors. They visit a burial site where over 500 ancient Chamoru remains are memorialized. The adventure begins when, as he goes exploring on the beach near the burial memorial in the village of Tomhum, known as Gok-ña, Kiko finds a child-sized proa hidden in a cave. He drags the proa to the shore, carefully rinses it out with ocean water, and climbs in . Tired, he falls asleep and begins his imaginary journey back in time where he meets Metgot, a young boy his age who lived at the site when it was an active latte village in the 1500s. The adventure unfolds as Kiko and Metgot engage in spirited conversation about things as they were. When Kiko awakens, he excitedly tells Auntie Lo about his incredible dream! Or, was it real in another dimension? You be the judge. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=363285

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# History

A Year on the Island of Guam 1899-1900 : Extracts from the Notebook of Naturalist William Edwin Safford / (Ed-in-Chief) Jillette Torre Leon-Guerrero Agana Heights: Guamology Publishing, 2016 xvi, 256p.
Includes Name Index 9780982357699
\$ 80.00 / HB 1170gm.

Guam – William Edwin Safford was appointed as the aide to the first American governor of Guam shortly after the Spanish-American War, according to a press release. "A Year on the Island of Guam, 1899 to 1900" includes extracts from the naturalist's notebook, and records not only the history of the island from Spanish archive documents, but also provides an inside glimpse into Safford's love for Guam and the people, and his knowledge of the language, culture, and landscape.

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Spanish Civil and Military Construction in Guam and the Role of Military Engineers / Mardith Schuetz-Miller
Mangilao: University of Guam Press, 2016
32p.
9781935198178
\$ 25.00/ PB
70gm.

An introductory study of the architectural history of Spanish Colonial Guam, this work examines Spanish civil and military construction in the villages of Agana (Hagatna) and Umatac (IHumata) in the 18th and 19th Centuries. The history of these buildings has received scant attention other than as a footnote to other structures erected under the administration of one governor or another. As with most histories, the accolades have gone to the civil or ecclesiastical hierarchies who paid for the buildings, and not to those who actually designed and constructed them. This study addresses this oversight in hopes that more will be gained from archival sources, stimulating others to write on Guam's architectural history.

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## Linguistics

I Atfabeton Chamorro : Un Kareran atfabetu ginen i kotturan i islas Marianas : The ABCs of Chamorro : An Alphabetical journey through the culture of the Mariana Islands / Cyrus Segawa Konstantinakos & Chamorro Studies student at the University of Guam

Mangilao: Micronesian Language Institute, University of Guam, 2016 vii, 271p.
9781935198154
\$ 75.00 / HB
970gm.

I Atfabeton Chamorro was created through a collaborative effort involving teachers, students, artists and photographers from Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands. It is a visually captivating book featuring the writing of upper division Chamorro language students from the University of Guam and photography and artwork from a group of talented local artists. Each letter of the Chamorro alphabet is used to describe a significant cultural concept, story, or item, which is written about in Chamorro, English and Japanese <a href="http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=363294">http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=363294</a>

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### Literature

The Break: A Novelette / (Author) Erica Sand (Ed) Hilary Gunning Guam: Erica Sand, 2017 vi, 46p.
Sojourning Soul Series Book #2
9781520874289
\$ 34.00 / PB

Surf's up on the island of Jauh along with romance, exotic adventures, and drunken chats. Jenny Richert and Steph McGill are two adventurous expats who have a reunion on their favorite island in Indonesia. This holiday turns into the coined "golden good luck vacation" when they meet muscular surfers, explore new places, and drink more vodka than they ever imagined. From surfing one of the best breaks in the world (although mostly the whitewash) to drinking Bintang beers on wooden patios, these girls melt a heart or two while having the time of their high lives. Who said guys are the only ones with one thing on their mind? The Break is a part of the Sojourning Soul Series. You can find other novels at www.sojourningsoulseries.com. Handful of Smoke is the final novel in the series and can be found at www.handfulofsmoke.com where you can get the first two chapters for free!

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Handful of Smoke : A Novel / (Author) Erica Sand Sojourning Soul Series Book #1 Guam: Erica Sand, 2016 x, 298p. 9780998982014

\$ 45.00 / PB 416gm.

Jenny Richert is an all-American girl who has just emerged from a nasty breakup. On an impulse, she decides a move to the Middle East is just the ticket to cure her broken heart. One night, while out on the town in Abu Dhabi, Jenny notices a handsome Arab man sitting near her at the bar. Powerfully intrigued by the glint in his dark eyes and his undeniably magnetic charm, Jenny can't resist the urge to strike up a conversation. As the charge between them sparks up, she has no idea he is married and the father of two. Handful of Smoke will take you on an intoxicating journey from the golden streets of the Middle East to a lush tropical island where a harsh truth awaits - all while exploring a forbidden romance between a Christian and a Muslim. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=363304

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Storyboard 16: A Journal of Pacific Imagery / Nuebe (Ed) David Gugin

Mangilao: University of Guam Press, 2017

vi, 64p.

ISSN: 1059-7492

Contents: \$ 25.00 / PB 118gm.

Storyboard publishes quality poetry, fiction, and non-fiction written in English or any other Pacific language, as well as visual art.

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- Chatfinu'i / Daisy Demapan
- Uncle Yak / Nicole Leon Guerrero
- Guiding Stars / Trinity Feliciano

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### Journals

Kaselehlie Press Pohnpei Kaselhelie Press, 2004-Bi-Weekly \$ 350.00 (Per Annum- PDF Files in CD)

Available from 2010 onwards

The Newspaper from Pohnpei, Federated States of Micronesia

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