

Recent Books from Fiji – Nov 2018

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A/V Titles

Vaka : The Birth of a Seer / Peter Rockford Espiritu
Fiji: Oceania Centre for Arts, Culture, and Pacific Studies, USP, 2012
60 min.
\$ 70.00 / DVD
80gm.

VAKA: The Birth of a Seer focuses on voyaging, and weaves together knowledge of drua (double-hulled dance) into an Oceanic music dance-drama inspired by the past but relevant to the present.
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=457047>

Biography

A Collection of Speeches, Sermons, Prayers and Articles = Ol Toktok, Sermons, Prea Mo Atikel / Sethy John Regenvanu
Suva: USP Press, 2018
260p. ; 30cm.
9789820109766
1. Politicians – Vanuatu – Biography
2. Vanuatu – Politics and government
3. Clergy – Vanuatu – Biography
\$ 35.00 / PB
502gm.
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=457048>

Miss Frances Lilian Charlton : An Inspirational Pioneer / Suliana Siwatibau (et al.)

Fiji: The ACSOG 40's & 50's Group, 2018

xii, 140p.

9789829820013

1. Women school principals – Fiji – Biography
2. Adi Cakobau School (Fiji) – History
3. Adi Cakobau School (Fiji) - Anecdotes

\$ 40.00 / PB

298gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=457049>

Life on the Run : A Fijian Memoir / Divakar Rao

Suva: USP Press, 2018

216p. ; 21cm.

9789820109797

1. Educators – Fiji – Biography
2. Anecdotes – Fiji

\$ 25.00 / PB

290gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=457050>

Children Books - Fiction

Taku And The Plastic Bag / Sharon Light

Suva: S. Light, 2008

1V ; col. ill. ; 30cm.

9789829801838

1. Fiji – Juvenile fiction
2. Turtle – Fiji – Juvenile fiction

\$ 20.00 / PB

102gm

The second of the Fiji Reef People stories tells the tale of Taku the turtle. He has a very dangerous encounter with a plastic bag. Can his many fishy friends save this friendly little turtle.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=457051>

Lairo Island / Sharon Light

Suva: S. Light, 2008

1v.

9789829801869

\$ 20.00 / PB

112gm.

A small Fijian Village is invaded by hundreds of land crabs. How will the village rid these pesky crabs before they destroy the whole Island?

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=457052>

The Forest People And The Yellow Monsters / Sharon Light

Suva: S. Light, 2007

1v.

9789829801876

\$ 20.00 / PB

146gm.

The forest people have been invaded by huge yellow monsters. The monsters are eating up all the trees and plants. Will they ever be able to save their forest home.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=457053>

The Reef People and the Fiji Roosters / Sharon Light

Suva: S. Light, 2007

1v

9789829801814

\$ 20.00 / PB

148gm.

When Sand Crab's underwater Disco is threatened by a bunch of big, bully, scratchy roosters, Clam Filter decides that something has to be done! But how can a bunch of small reef creatures stand up to nasty old roosters that don't even belong on the reef?

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=457054>

Ecology/ Environment Studies

Shore to Shore : Wildlife and Landscapes of Solomon Islands / Patrick Pikacha

Solomon Island: Melanesian Geo, 2018

266p.

9789829802156

\$ 195.00 / HB

1290gm.

Solomon Islands is one of the largest archipelagos in the South Pacific. Its location between the Bismarck Archipelago in Papua New Guinea to the west, and Vanuatu to the southeast makes it the recipient of remarkable biodiversity overflow from New Guinea and its large satellite islands. Composed of low lying atolls and large and high forested islands, the landscape is stunning. These islands support a diverse range of communities and habitats. This book is a celebration of these landscapes and wildlife.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=457055>

Lord, Here Comes The Flood : Investigating the Chains of Climate Change Discourses in Kiribati / Lasse Kolbjorn Anke Hansen

Suva: USP Press, 2014

120p. ; 25cm.

9789820109155

\$ 32.00 / PB

240gm.

Master's thesis Spring 2012, Department of Comparative Politics, University of Bergen

The author builds a theoretical and analytical framework from literature on accountability and responsiveness, I separate between four dimensions of discourses on climate change: the electoral channel, the state actor interactions, non-electoral citizen participation, and finally, the non-domestic interactions. This is supplemented by previous research on small and island states, cultural and historical aspects related to politics in the Pacific, as well as studies on domestic climate change policy formation.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=457056>

The 2016 Fiji Ant-Mealybug Bioinvasion : Threat to Food, Health,
Livelihood, Cultural and Environment Security in the Pacific Island / R.R.
Thaman

Suva: PaCE-SD, USP Press, The University of the South Pacific, 2018

130p. ; 30cm.

9789820109759

Publication No. 1 (2018)

\$ 75.00 / PB

350gm.

This publication is about the 2016 Fiji Ant-Mealybug Bioinvasion of Fijis islands, cities, villages, homes and gardens by "new" invasive alien ants and the mealybugs, scale insects and other sap-sucking insects that are tended by the ants. As we go about our daily business to promote "sustainable" development, address climate change and promote conservation, a silent multi-front invasion threatens health, livelihood, cultural and environmental security in Fiji.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=457057>

Plants of Tokelau = Lakau mo Mutia o Tokelau / R. R Thaman & W. A.
Whistler

Suva: USP Press, The University of the South Pacific, 2018

x, 144p.

Includes Index

9789820109728

1. Botany - Tokelau
2. Ethnobotany - Tokelau
3. Tokelau - Social life and customs

\$ 70.00 / PB

310gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=457059>

History

David Whippy of Nantucket : His Extraordinary Influence on the History
of the Fiji Islands / Rondo B B Me

Tamavua: Rondo B B Me, 2018

viii, 322p.

9789829819611

\$ 65.00 / PB

632gm.

In 1825 the young David Whippy, a native of Nantucket, found himself stranded on Bau Island, the home of the most powerful chief in the Fiji Islands. Unlike many of his contemporaries who returned to their homes, David chose to stay and carve out a life for himself in a land which was slowly coming to grips with the complexities of the interaction between these two very different cultures.

David was a worldbringer: he moved easily between the worlds of the European traders who came to Fiji in search of lucrative cargoes, and the world of his adopted people, the Fijians. As a result of his sobering influence, business acumen, and vision, his new home of Levuka became the main port of call for trading vessels, whaling ships, and foreign naval gunships. The infrastructure that he and his associates evolved, ranging from providing pilots and interpreters to the building of small boats and schooners, made Levuka a commercial port and laid the foundations for the town to become the first capital of Fiji in 1874.

Set against the background of the complex Fijian politics of the period, this book explores David's life, both public and private, over those vital years, culminating in his death in 1871, three years before the Cession of the Islands to Great Britain.

The book also includes genealogical information for the benefit of his descendants.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=457061>

Enslaved in Paradise : A History of Mammoth Betrayals of Fijians by the British, Chiefs and Leaders of Fiji, 1876-2006 / Rajendra Prasad

Auckland, New Zealand: Rajendra Prasad, 2018

290p.

9780473444693

\$ 55.00 / PB

460gm.

A riveting account of Fiji's history, challenging some of the common perceptions and revealing how the British stranded the Girmityas to save Fiji's sugar industry and colluded with the chiefs who prevented social, political and economic development of indigenous Fijians but blamed Indo-Fijians for it.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=457062>

Cannibals and Converts : Radical Change in the Cook Islands / Maretu
(Translated, annotated & Edited) Marjorie Tuainekore Crocombe
Fiji: USP Press, 2016
(Re-produced & Re-printed)
240p.
Includes Index ; Bibliography
\$ 30.00 / PB
314gm.

Cannibals and Converts tells the amazing story of life in the Cook Islands before the coming of Europeans, the subsequent wars and intrigues over women and power, the destruction of gods and churches, the agonizing deaths in epidemics, the break-up of polygamous families and the radical changes in custom and culture.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=457063>

Literature

Fijian Short Stories / Pratap Chand
Sydney, Australia: Yashjaya Publication, 2018
viii, 224p.
9780646979946
\$ 39.95 / PB
322gm.

There are ten stories dealing with everyday events which capture experiences of common Fijians.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=457064>

Salted Poems and Peppered Stories /Khemendra Kamal Kumar
Fiji: USP Press, 2018
112p. :21cm.
9789820109834
1. Fijian poetry (English).
2. Short stories, Fijian (English).
\$ 15.00 / PB
158gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=457067>

A Beautiful Poison : Collection of Poems / Yogesh Chandra
Fiji: USP Press, 2018
206p.
9789829817822
\$ 20.00 / PB
276gm.

A Beautiful Poison' is an anthology of poems containing narratives, confessional poetry and sonnets. The concepts discussed in the book are of one that compulsively, may be highly overlooked by the immediate society as new rays of changes tend to take place. We are so busy exploring the corporate, 'self-inflicted' world that many at times, the basic concepts of life and its allies, they seem to be highly compromised.
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=457069>

Change. : The Poetry of Life / Shaneel A. Prakash
Fiji: Shaneel A. Prakash, 2017
52p.
9789829817518
\$ 18.00 / PB
86gm.
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=457071>

Environment