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PACIFIC

Soso Village : Naviti Island, Fiji
Geraldine Triffitt & Onisimo Nayato

This is the everyday story of Soso, a remote village of about 450 people on Naviti Island, one of the islands of the Yasawa archipelago in Fiji. The author, Geraldine Triffitt, has been associated with the village of Soso for over 40 years, since the family first visited in 1977. Onisimo Nayato is a resident of Soso, who has shared his culture with his good friend, Geraldine.

The book tells a lively and colourful story of the social life, environment, flora and fauna, of a culture that has had little contact with Europeans over the years. Geraldine describes the changes to the village from her first visit (which required a guarantor and a permit to visit) to the present day when tourists at the nearby island resorts or cruise boats include a visit to Soso on their itinerary.

The object of the book is to record the culture of a traditional and remote Fijian village for the people of the village.

But it is also for interested general readers, tourists staying at resorts in the area, and academics studying language, anthropology, natural history and life in the Pacific.

98 pages - Geraldine Triffitt 2017

Archaeology of the Solomon Islands
Richard Walter & Peter Sheppard

This synthesis of Solomon Island archaeology draws together all the research that has taken place in the field over the past 50 years. It takes a multidisciplinary theoretical and methodological approach and considers the work of archaeologists, environmental scientists, anthropologists and historians. At the same time this volume highlights the results of the authors own considerable field research.

This fascinating and very readable book is written for an archaeological audience but is also designed to be accessible to all readers interested in Pacific archaeology, anthropology and history.

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200 pages - Otago University Press 2017
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Cultural Prison : A Daughter’s Worth
Vindu Maharaj

Fiji was a new world for many Indians who migrated there as indentured labourers from 1879 to 1916; overtime nothing much changed.

It is the seventies. Sara’s parents have arranged her marriage and she prepares to leave her job and the comforts of the city and move to her husbands village. There is no way she could have known then, that her life would change in a such a drastic and permanent way, as it intertwines with Priyas life, touching two generation’s destinies.

Vindu Maharaj was born to Indian parents in regional town, Labasa, Fiji, in the nineteen-sixties and moved to the capital city of Suva before her first birthday. Growing up in a strict household she dreamed of one day being able to escape her daily problems and have a real-life adventure herself. In the seventies, married at eighteen and having children was the norm amongst Indians in Fiji and she was no exception. She migrated with her family to Sydney, Australia in 1985. She studied business accounting and worked in the banking and airline industry. Years later she decided to give it all up to start writing. This is her first novel.

390 pages - Vindu Maharaj 2017
ISBN: 9780987616906  Paperback  $55.00
NON FICTION

Out of the Woods: A Journey Through Depression and Anxiety
Brent Williams & Korkut Oztekin
Out of the Woods is a book to help people understand and overcome depression and anxiety. It is the author’s own story told entirely through 700 beautifully hand drawn watercolor illustrations. It is an immensely practical guide for sufferers, their loved ones, and professionals working in the area too. The book’s graphic memoir format blends a compelling personal story with the latest medical research - ideal for people who are in the depths of depression and struggling to read and take on board information. The book doesn’t pretend there is a quick way out of these illnesses and instead encourages people to make small steps to slowly build their own lasting recoveries. This is an inspiring story that will give vital information and hope to many people.
154 pages - Educational Resources 2017

Far Pavilion: New Zealand at the Venice Architecture Biennale
John Walsh
The Venice Architecture Biennale is the world’s leading architecture event. It is staged for six months, attracts scores of national participants and dozens of sideshow exhibitions, and provides a snapshot of current architectural concerns and an overview of contemporary design directions. The Biennale has a particular character. Neither a trade show nor an ‘expo’, it is instead a forum of propositions, many of them wonderful, some of them weird. After more than 30 years, the Biennale has settled into its paradoxes: it’s run by bureaucrats but tolerant of subversives; it’s focused and disparate, collaborative and competitive, internationalist in outlook and nationalist in organisation, a serious business as well as a celebratory enterprise. And, from a South Pacific perspective, it is a long, and expensive, way away. In 2016, for only the second time, New Zealand had a national exhibition at the Venice Architecture Biennale. How did that go?
Far Pavilion offers insiders’ perspectives on New Zealand’s involvement with the Biennale, and on the challenges and rewards of exhibiting architecture in the world’s most dauntingly beautiful urban setting.
88 pages - NZ Institute of Architects 2017
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Looking for the Light: Landscape Photographs of New Zealand
Peter Latham
New Zealand born landscape photographer Peter Latham presents this epic collection of his most popular gallery fine-art prints, together with numerous new images of the New Zealand landscape, never released before. Personal background stories and photographs accompany many images, whilst a special “Behind The Scenes” chapter illustrates what Peter endured to achieve their capture. This affords the reader a privileged insight into this remarkable portfolio, one which will be treasured for generations. Peter’s passion for New Zealand is evident in his original portrayal of the land from Cape Reinga to Stewart Island, often returning to the same scene many times over several years, all in search of the perfect light. As Peter says, “A degree of madness helps a lot!”
Many of the 230 colour photographs in this book are spectacular double page panoramas, carefully selected to represent the best of Peter’s vision and his extraordinary life-long quest to capture this land at its finest.
224 pages - New Holland 2017
ISBN: 9781869664657 Hardback $65.00
HISTORY

Far Distant Shores: The Marist Brothers of the Schools in New Zealand, Samoa, Fiji, Tonga and Kiribati 1838-2013
Edward Clisby

Some 175 years ago, the first Marist Brothers arrived in the Pacific, members of a French Marist missionary team headed by Bishop Pompallier. One of them stepped ashore in the Hokianga in January 1838 with the Bishop and a Marist priest as the Catholic mission to New Zealand. He was the first in the long line of Brothers of various nationalities who went on to build up an influential network of schools throughout New Zealand, Samoa, Fiji, Tonga and Kiribati.

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Place Names of Banks Peninsula and the Port Hills
Gordon Ogilvie

Place names have great linguistic and cultural significance, vivifying the landscape and giving it deeper character and interest. Banks Peninsula, Lyttelton Harbour and the Port Hills of Christchurch offer a wonderfully diverse and a kaleidoscopic array of names that speak of the area's Maori and colonial history and the people who have lived and worked there.

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Award-winning historian Gordon Ogilvie, who has a deep knowledge of this part of New Zealand, has written a comprehensive, fascinating and much-needed successor to Andersen's book. He also extends the coverage of names to the Heathcote and Halswell rivers and includes suburbs like Halswell and Tai Tapu.

Engagingly written, brimming with information and enriched with black and white photographs and stunning colour plates.

320 pages - Canterbury University Press 2017

Pakeha Rambles Through Maori Lands
John St John

First published in 1873, Pakeha Rambles Through Maori Lands is an account of life in early colonial New Zealand as seen through the eyes of John H. H. St. John. John Henry Herbert St. John was born in France on 4 December 1835.

When St. John arrived in New Zealand, he was twenty-seven years old and a veteran of the Crimean War. He joined the Waikato Militia and went on to become a Lieutenant-Colonel. This edition is digitally remastered, and supported with over 150 annotations to aid with understanding.

The book includes: Four chapters on life in the Waikato during the 1830s. The defense of Rotorua in 1867 against Hauhau attack. Ambushes in the bush around Opotiki and the hunt for Te Kooti. Visits to early Taupo and Huka Falls. The aftermath of the Poverty Bay Massacre of 1868. An early visit to the natural wonders of Lake Waikaremoana. A coach ride from Wellington to Taranaki in the 1870s.

194 pages - Atlantis Publishing 2017
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Travels in Southern Waters
Herbert Meade
First published in 1870 under its much longer subtitle, *A Ride Through the Disturbed Districts of New Zealand; Together with Some Account of the South Sea Islands*, *Travels in Southern Waters* is based on the journals of Lieutenant the Hon. Herbert Meade and his time served on *HMS CuraCoa* and *HMS Esk*. He spent time in New Zealand and the Pacific Islands at a critical time in European exploration and colonisation.
Covering the period from December 1864 through to November 1866, Meade was an eyewitness to many events of historical significance. Meade accompanied a party, sent by Governor Sir George Grey, to the Maori around Lake Taupo. He was then sent on a tour of the South Seas, visiting Norfolk Island, Niue, the Samoan group, Tonga, Fiji, Vanuatu, and the Solomon Islands. He then switched to *HMS Esk* and did much the same, before returning home to Britain.
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**FOOD**

Little Bird Goodness
Meagan May
Megan May shares more than 130 thoroughly irresistible, mostly raw plant-based recipes from her award-winning Little Bird Unbakery cafes and home kitchen. You’ll find recipes for almost every meal to enhance your health, make you feel great and benefit the environment in the process. Ranging from decadent healthy desserts to green smoothies, plus staples such as nut milks, nut cheeses and probiotic-packed fermented foods, including kimchi and kombucha, these dishes will inspire you to fill your plate with an abundance of beautiful plant-based wholefoods.
All of the recipes are suitable for a vegan diet and are gluten- and dairy-free. Most importantly, they are utterly delicious.
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Libby Weaver
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FICTION

Baby
Annaleese Joachems
Cynthia can understand how Anahera feels just by looking at her body. Cynthia is twenty-one, bored and desperately waiting for something big to happen. Her striking fitness instructor, Anahera, is ready to throw in the towel on her job and marriage. With stolen money and a dog in tow they run away and buy Baby, an old boat docked in the Bay of Islands, where Cynthia dreams they will live in a state of love. But strange events on an empty island turn their life together in a different direction.

Baby is a sunburnt psychological thriller of obsession and escape by one of the most exciting new voices in New Zealand fiction.

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Moonshine Eggs
Russell Haley

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POETRY

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Stu Bagby

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YOUNGER READERS

Watch Out For The Weka
Ned Barraud

While Alf, the DOC hut warden, is taking a swim, a curious weka steals his precious watch. He must get it back. That evening, Alf thinks up a cunning plan and eventually recovers his watch while also discovering the weka’s treasure pile.

Based on a true story, set at Awaroa in the Abel Tasman National Park, this entertaining picture book will delight young and old alike as the inquisitive and curious nature of our native weka is revealed and they accompany Alf on his quest to get his watch back.

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