

PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES STAFF

STUART W. H. CHING - Provincial Archivist

Throughout his professional career, Stuart Ching has cared for museum and archives collections in both large and small institutions. His first introduction was in the Bishop Museum Archives Department. During his eleven years there, he worked with a variety of archival materials. He later gained additional expertise managing museum collections as curator for Mission Houses Museum and, later, 'Iolani Palace. Since 2010, Stuart has worked as part-time SS.CC. provincial archivist. He has served on the Board of Directors of the Association of Hawai'i Archivists, Hawai'i Museums Association, and Hawaiian Historical Society.



PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES VOLUNTEERS

MARIA BORGES

After working 28 years for the federal government, Maria Borges embarked on a second 32-year career as executive secretary for The Friends of 'Iolani Palace. Her organizational skills proved invaluable in arranging, maintaining, and accessing the institutional records of the organization; monitoring grant report deadlines; and the scheduling of meetings and public events. She enjoys working in the archives because it keeps her mind alert and her body active in her retirement. Maria is an ardent gardener and attends mass at Mystical Rose Oratory.



RUTH HORIE

Ruth Horie retired as a catalog librarian from the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa. She holds a B.A. in Hawaiian Studies, a M.L.S. in Library Studies, and a M.A. in Linguistics. Her educational background, Hawaiian language skills, and work experience qualify her to take on the task of cataloging the provincial archives' Hawaiian language materials. Ruth is a former president of the Hawai'i Library Association, and has professional memberships in Online Audiovisual Catalogers and Pacific Islands Association of Libraries, Archives and Museums. She received the Hawai'i Library Association Notable Member Award in 2010.



BETTY LOU KAM

At the time of her retirement from Bishop Museum, Betty Lou Kam was director and collection manager for cultural collections. Previous positions she held at the museum include chair of Bishop Museum Archives and vice president of cultural resources. In addition to volunteering her time in the provincial archives, Betty works part-time at Saint Anthony of Padua Elementary School in Kailua. Her community involvement includes being a board member of the Damien and Marianne Foundation and the Hakipu‘u Learning Center. She is an active parishioner at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church in Waikāne, O‘ahu.



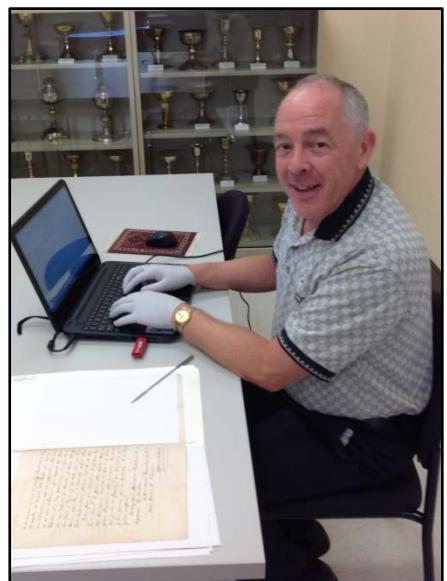
ROWENA KEHAULANI OKITA

Rowena Kehaulani Okita worked as a library technician at Āliamanu Library and Sgt. Yano Library at Schofield Barracks before her retirement. Her duties included centralized procurement, cataloging, processing, and shipping and receiving of library materials for all the army libraries in Hawai‘i as well as some overseas. Rowena is a graduate of Saint Francis High School in Honolulu. When not volunteering in the provincial archives, she volunteers at Saint Francis Hospice and Castle Medical Center. She attends Saint John Vianney Church in Kailua.



FATHER EDWARD J. POPISH, SS.CC.

Father Edward Popish, SS.CC., received his B.A. from University of Colorado; M.A. from American Graduate School of International Management; and M.Div from Franciscan School of Theology. He made his profession with the SS.CC. in 1985, and was ordained a priest in 1990. Once a week Father Ed utilizes his proficiency in French, Italian, and Spanish to transcribe and translate numerous archival manuscripts written in those languages. Father Ed is no stranger to archives having served as archivist for the Sacred Hearts General Archives in Rome. Currently, he is associate pastor at Saint Ann Church in He‘eia, O‘ahu.



STUDENT INTERNS

The Congregation of the Sacred Hearts United States Province Archives is a designated internship site for the University of Hawai'i Graduate School of Library and Information Science. In exchange for familiarizing students with archival standards and providing them with practical experience in archival work, the provincial archives benefits from student assistance in processing collections. Besides students interning for a specified period of time, the archives has periodically benefitted from volunteer service projects conducted by the Society of American Archivists Student Chapter.

JESSICA TRUESDELL

Interning during the summer of 2019 was Jessica Truesdell. She was home for the summer from George Fox University in Newbery, Oregon, where she is pursuing a degree in history. Although Jessica found a love of history while in high school, it was during an internship at the George Fox Archives that she discovered a passion for archival work. Jessica now wishes to pursue a career as an archivist. During her summer internship with the Sacred Hearts provincial archives, Jessica gained additional experience processing the papers and personal objects of Father Mateo Crawley-Boevey, founder of the Enthronement of the Sacred Heart.

