Rediscovering Emma

Emma K. Metcalf Beckley Nakuina, a Hawaiian Intellectual of the Last Century

She was an ali'i and Lady-in-Waiting to Queen Kapi'olani. She ran the Hawaiian Government Library and the Hawaiian Government Museum and served as a Commissioner of Water Rights. She recorded Hawaiian legends and wrote about Hawaiian history and culture. Well-known in her own time, Emma nearly dropped from sight for over 50 years.

Program: Thursday, May 1, 2008, 6:00PM

Location: Hawai'i State Library, Hawaiian

Reading Room

Speakers:

Cristina Bacchilega, Professor of English, University of Hawai'i

Carol MacLennan, Professor of Anthropology, Michigan Technological University

Dennis Kawaharada, Asst. Professor of Language Arts, Kapiʻolani Community College Publisher, Kalamakū Press



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Hawai'i State Library, Hawai'i & Pacific Section invites you to view a display on her life and work and to hear presentations from contemporary scholars and writers who have rediscovered Emma Kailikapuolono Metcalf Beckley Nakuina.

Display in the Hawaiian Reading Room, May through June, 2008

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