Bishop Museum Archives

- Archives:
  808.848.4182
  808.847.8241 (fax)
  archives@bishopmuseum.org

- Public Hours:
  Tuesday through Friday
  **12:00 to 4:00 pm**
  Saturday
  **9:00 to 12:00 noon**

- Closed Sundays, Mondays and holiday weekends

History

• Library founded 1889 (with museum)
• Archives just a visual collection
  • “photo gallery”
  • Library handled archival material
• “Archives” early 1990s (Lynn Davis)
  • separate location
• early 2000s, Library & Archives
Access

- book (union catalogs), card and online catalogs
- trained archivists
- library provides extra access to archive collection of published diaries, narratives, memoirs, etc. relating to 18th and 19th century Hawai'i
- primary source indexes kept in chronologically arranged binders.
Manuscripts

(non-published primary source written material)

- Usually can be photocopied
- Early business activities of notable companies
- Personal papers, letters, diaries
- Scientific papers, genealogical records, memorabilia, etc.

Personal Papers

- Royalty
  - Bernice Pauahi Bishop
  - Queen Lili’oukalani
Newspapers

- Hawaiian, Japanese, and English languages
- Indigenous and immigrant populations of the State of Hawai'i
- Rare and fragile hard copies available on a limited basis
Special Collections

• A.W.F. Fuller Collection
  • books, journals, and pamphlets
  • early voyages in the Pacific
• George R. Carter Collection
  • books and journals
  • cultural and scientific aspects of Hawai'i
Photo Collection

- over one million images of Hawai‘i and the Pacific
- 1840s to the present

Art

- drawings by artists who accompanied European expeditions in the 18th century
- early visual documents of the changes which have occurred in Hawai'i and the Pacific
- indexed by artist and subject
Moving Images Collection

- over 700 titles
- earliest film views of Hawai‘i
- travelogues, home movies, and commercial films
- early hula performers, streetcars in downtown Honolulu, Waikiki from 1920-1950, etc.

- video copies can be ordered and used commercially with the payment of a Use Fee and a signed Usage Rights Agreement Form
Audio

- thousands of reel-to-reel and cassette tapes
- mele (chants & songs), oral histories, and the music of Hawai'i and other Pacific islands
  - Roberts Collection of Hawaiian mele
  - Kuluwaimaka Collection
- Oral histories
  - Mary Kawena Pukui, interviewed residents of six Hawaiian Islands in the 1950s and 60s.
  - Hawaiian cultural subjects, stories or the interviewees' lives, and the places they lived
  - most recorded in the Hawaiian language
Genealogy

- 19th century Hawaiian genealogies prepared for the ali’i
- ko'ihonua (genealogical chants)
- available on microfilm, indexed by family name.
- complete microfilm set of Marriages, Births, and Deaths in Hawai’i, 1850 to 1950
Mele Collection

- significant material about Hawaiian cultural traditions and history through chant and song
- handwritten texts of 19th century chants, chants published in Hawaiian language newspapers, audio recordings, commercial disks
- Access: online Bishop Museum Mele (Chant & Song) Index
Services

- Ordering copies: photos, artwork, manuscripts, maps, and audio or videotapes
- Prices and processing times vary
- Advance payment is required, by cash, check, or credit card. For long-distance orders, providing a credit card number and expiration date is preferred. Bishop Museum Association members receive a 10% discount.
- For use in publications, TV programs, displays, etc.:
  - Usage Rights Agreement form must be filled out
  - Use fees will be charged; amounts depend on type of use
Services

- PHOTOS (black & white; glossy or matte finish)
  - 4x5 - $8
  - 5x7 - $10
  - 8x10 - $18
  - 11x14 - $28
  - 16x20 - $56
  - 20x24 - $85
  - 24x36 - $110
  - Murals - $25 / sq ft

- New negative: $12 (if required, for prints that do not have an existing copy negative)

- Processing: 7 to 10 business days (for prints that have existing negatives)

- 20 to 30 business days (for prints that require a new negative to be shot)
Services

- SCANS (on CDs; of photos, artwork, or manuscripts)
  - First image: $50
  - Each add'l: $10
  - Processing: 3 to 5 business days

- PHOTOCOPIES (Xeroxes)
  - 50 cents per page
  - $3 minimum charge (flat rate for the first one to six pages)

- POSTAGE
  - Starts at $6 and goes upward, depending on total amount of order. For international postage, add 50%.
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