FROM THE EDITOR

Salutations to members of the Association for Social Anthropology in Oceania and our colleagues and readers. This issue of the ASAO Newsletter was unfortunately delayed for some time, and now is intended to serve as a historical record of the program of events and sessions that were planned for the February 2019 meeting of ASAO in Auckland.

The Auckland meeting, it turned out, was an unabashed success and had the largest number of sessions for any ASAO meeting ever. Annual reports for 2018 from the officers of ASAO will appear in issue #163 of the Newsletter, due to be published in May 2019.

This issue also announces the participants who were awarded PISAs for 2019, and has information about how to apply for a PISA for a future ASAO meeting.

Ryan Schram, Newsletter editor

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Greetings from Auckland, the site of the next ASAO meeting in under eight-weeks time. Before the year is out and in accordance with Māori custom of Aotearoa, I would like to first acknowledge the passing of two of ASAO Honorary Fellows: Dorothy Counts 1937-2018 (Honorary Fellow 2011) and Roy Wagner 1938-2018 (Honorary Fellow 2010). It was also brought to my attention that the following members of the association have also passed away in 2018: Paula Rubel 1933-2018, Martin G Silverman 1939-2018, Erhard Schleiser 1926-2018. Manuia i le alofa outou malaga (journey well with our love).

Planning for the meeting has been well underway. Many thanks to Jamon Halvaksz and Tate LeFevre and especially former ASAO Chair Lisa Uperesa and her colleagues at The University of Auckland for organising our meeting which I am sure will go smoothly.

I would also like to announce that Martha MacIntyre and Mauulaivao Albert Wendt are the new Honorary Fellows who will be awarded at the 2019 meeting in Auckland. Emeritus Professor Ngahuia Te Awekotuku of the University of Waikato has kindly accepted our invitation to deliver the 2019 Distinguished Lecture.

I hope to see you all in Auckland.

Merry Xmas | Happy Hanukah | Live well and prosper in the New Year

Albert L Refiti, ASAO Chair

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**NEW AND DIFFERENT HOUSING OPTIONS FOR AUCKLAND IN 2019**

The 2019 meeting of ASAO will be held on the campus of the University of Auckland in Auckland, Aotearoa New Zealand from February 13 through February 16. The conference will be hosted by Te Wānanga o Waipapa, School of Māori Studies and Pacific Studies with support from the James Henare Research Centre.

Registration will be open on [http://asao.org/](http://asao.org/) later this year.

We have arranged with the University of Auckland to use the residential dorms at a rate of US$55.00 per night with a free breakfast included. Located in O’Rorke Hall ([https://www.auckland.ac.nz/en/on-campus/accommodation/university-accommodation/catered-accommodation/ororke-hall.html](https://www.auckland.ac.nz/en/on-campus/accommodation/university-accommodation/catered-accommodation/ororke-hall.html)), these provide affordable and convenient accommodations on campus. The rooms will be single occupancy, with a bathroom shared amongst 5-7 rooms. We will try to accommodate gender preferences in arranging room assignments. Booking for these will be part of registration and **available only through the ASAO website**.

Because of the nature of the conference location, we are unable to commit to a contract with a hotel for reduced rates (as they require us to use their catering and meeting spaces). But we can suggest the following hotels near the conference venue.

**Avani Metropolis Auckland:**

**CityLife Auckland:**
[https://www.heritagehotels.co.nz/hotels/citylife-auckland](https://www.heritagehotels.co.nz/hotels/citylife-auckland)

**Hotel DeBrett:**
[https://www.hoteldebrett.com/](https://www.hoteldebrett.com/)

**Hotel Pullman:**
[http://www.pullmanauckland.co.nz](http://www.pullmanauckland.co.nz)

**Quest on Eden:**
[https://www.questapartments.co.nz/properties/north-island/auckland/quest-on-eden/overview](https://www.questapartments.co.nz/properties/north-island/auckland/quest-on-eden/overview)

**Quadrant Hotel and Suites:**
[https://vrhotels.co.nz/quadrant-hotels-suites/](https://vrhotels.co.nz/quadrant-hotels-suites/)

With a fairly accessible public transportation system, hotels further away might provide additional options. If you have any questions about the arrangements in O’Rorke please feel free to ask.

Jamon Halvaksz, annual meeting site coordinator
THE PACIFIC ISLANDS SCHOLARS AWARD (PISA)

We had another very strong set of applications for the 2019 Pacific Islands Scholars Award (PISA) and the PISA committee is proud to announce this year’s list of outstanding scholars participating in the upcoming ASAO meetings.

- Eliah Aoina
- Anne Keala Kelly
- Emelihter Kihleng
- Betty Manuofetoa
- Tarisi Vunidilo
- Kamuela Werner

Earlier this year, the ASAO Board approved the name change to this award (previously the Pacific Islands Scholars Fund, PISF) to better reflect the focus of this competitive, prestigious award. Together with the association’s board we are excited to announce other new advances to the PISA at the 2019 ASAO meeting. Please help us welcome this year’s awardees in Auckland!

APPLY FOR A PISA IN 2020

As you prepare for, and participate in the ASAO meetings in February 2019, please keep in mind sessions you would like to contribute to, or propose for our meetings in Hawai‘i in 2020. Applications for the 2020 conference will be due on October 15, 2019. We will have more detailed information on applications in future issues of the Newsletter. We hope the meetings this year will inspire your future applications. Please contact PISA Coordinator, Chelsea Wentworth (pisa.asao@gmail.com) for more information.

Thank you so much, and we look forward to seeing you in Auckland!

PISA Committee

Chelsea Wentworth, Lisa Uperesa, Alex Mawyer, and Ping-Ann Addo

KEY DATES FOR 2018 AND 2019

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<td>March 20, 2018</td>
<td>All session organizers from the 2018 meeting should send reports to the program coordinator, including plans to continue next year or final comments and plans for publication. Those intending to chair a new informal session in 2019, send your announcement to the program coordinator.</td>
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<td>August 20</td>
<td>All session organizers should send to the program coordinator an updated announcement of their session to the program coordinator, including any deadlines.</td>
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<td>October 15</td>
<td>Deadline for all application materials for PISA awards.</td>
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<td>By late October</td>
<td>Participants in working sessions should send their paper abstracts to the session organizer for pre-circulation to participants.</td>
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<td>November 1</td>
<td>Symposium participants should submit their papers to the session organizer for pre-circulation.</td>
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<td>November 15</td>
<td>Informal session organizers should submit an updated description of their session and list of names of those intending to participate to the program coordinator.</td>
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<td>December 15</td>
<td>Deadline for PISA awardees to accept their awards.</td>
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<td>Feb. 13-16, 2019</td>
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### 2019 ASAO Annual Meeting Schedule at a Glance

(S) Symposium (W) Working Session (I) Informal Session

Refreshment Breaks in Fale Pasifika Thursday, Friday, and Saturday 10:30 – 11:00 a.m. & 3:30 - 4:00 p.m., Lunch on own 12:30 - 2:00 p.m.

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<td>Board Meeting</td>
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<td>Book Exhibit</td>
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<td>Powhiri Māori Welcome</td>
<td>MS Waipapa Mārae</td>
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<td>Session Organizers Meeting</td>
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<td>Welcome Party (Reception &amp; Cash Bar)</td>
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<td>Transgender Voices in the Pacific: Societies and Artistic Creation (W)</td>
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<td>Kava: A Global Phenomenon? (W)</td>
<td>MS Waipapa Wharekai</td>
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<td>MS Waipapa Wharenui</td>
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<td>Large-Scale Capital and Global Inequalities (S)</td>
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<td>ASAO Awards/Honorees Luncheon</td>
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<td>Porgera, Whither and Whence? 30 Years of the Porgera Goldmine (I)</td>
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<td>Affect and Place (W)</td>
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<td>Decolonizing a Sea of Islands (I)</td>
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<td>Growing Old in the Pacific (I)</td>
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<td>Film Screening &amp; Panel Discussion on Pacific Tattooing: “Marks of Mana”</td>
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<td>Strategic Articulations in Pacific and Samoan Studies (I)</td>
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<td>“The Soul &amp; The Image”: The Story of Film in the Pacific (I)</td>
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<td>Mana Moana (S)</td>
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<td>Special Session: Emerging Issues (I)</td>
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2:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.  Imaginary Peoples of the Pacific (W)  CPS 104
2:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.  Stitching Traditions: Quilting in Polynesia (W)  ARTS 301
5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.  Pre-Distinguished Lecture Reception (cash bar)  Fale Pasifika
7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.  Distinguished Lecture: Ngahuia Te Awekotuku  Fale Pasifika
8:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.  Pasifika Desert Reception for Distinguished Lecture  Fale Pasifika

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2019

8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  Book Exhibit & Registration  CPS 108
9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.  Health, Labour and Decolonization (I)  CPS 104
9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.  Considering Lata: Hero of a Thousand Faces (I)  ARTS 215
9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.  Decolonizing Anthropology: A View From Oceania (I)  ARTS 214
9:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.  Proliferation of Models: New Paradigms in Indigenous Research (W)  ARTS 202
9:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.  Facebook in the Pacific (S)  ARTS 216
9:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.  Healthy Islands, Healthy People: Examining Health Promotion (S)  CPS 107
2:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.  Recounting Alternative Modes of Action & Design in Public Spaces (I)  ARTS 215
2:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.  New Voices in Pacific Anthropology (I)  ARTS 202
2:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.  Cultural Wealth and Cultural Performance (I)  ARTS 213
2:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.  Film Screening: “We The Voyagers: Our Vaka”  ARTS 209
5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.  Closing Plenary  Fale Pasifika

CPS = Centre of Pacific Studies, ARTS = Arts Building, MS = Maori Studies Building

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AN APPEAL TO ALL ASAO MEMBERS:
SUPPORT PISA TODAY!

The participation of our colleagues from Pacific Islands at the annual meetings is critical to vibrant and productive dialogue in sessions, at plenary talks, and in the development of research publications. Please consider supporting the PISA to help expand the participation of our Pacific Island colleagues. We encourage all ASAO members to consider contributing.

Our new ASAO website makes supporting PISA very easy! You can now make a secure online contribution via PayPal. Simply: (1) go to http://www.asao.org/PISA.html (2) click the yellow "support" button, and (3) Follow the prompts. It's that easy!

SUPPORTING PISA CAN BE A GREAT GIFT!

As we enjoy the holidays, please consider making a tax deductible contribution in honor of a friend or family member. We are happy to provide you with a letter for you to share with your friend or relative. Please put that information in the comment section when making your contribution or email Chelsea Wentworth for more information (pisa.asao@gmail.com).

Please consider contributing monthly to PISA, which is easy when you set up a secure automatic deduction for a set amount from your bank account or credit card. When you enter your contribution amount there is a box to the right you can check labeled “Make this Recurring (Monthly).” Please consider this option to make a sustaining contribution to PISA. Pacific Island scholars are invited to apply for registration fee waivers. Waiver applications for session participants and session organizers (two different forms) are due no later than January 20th, and should be sent to the ASAO Treasurer and Membership Coordinator, Barbara Andersen (B.Andersen1@massey.ac.nz).
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