

Pacific Manuscripts Bureau Speaker Series

Photos by Nic Maclellan, 1980s-1990s

Wednesday 4 December, 09:30 – 10:30 AEDT



Staff and students of Pacific Manuscripts Bureau member libraries are invited to attend a webinar by Nic Maclellan. Nic is a correspondent for Islands Business magazine (Fiji) and a contributor to Pacnews, Inside Story and other regional media. However from 1986-1995, he worked as a field officer for the Pacific program of the Overseas Service Bureau, in Papua New Guinea and Fiji, and then establishing the AVA program in Marshall Islands, Palau and Federated States of Micronesia.

In the 1980s, as a trade union activist and member of the Nuclear Free and Independent Pacific (NFIP) movement, Nic also travelled regularly to New Caledonia, French Polynesia, Palau and Marshall Islands, documenting struggles around US and French colonialism and nuclear testing.

During his travels, Nic took hundreds of Kodachrome slides, which capture images of daily life in PNG and Micronesia during the 1980s, as well as unique moments in the rise of the Kanak independence movement during the 1984-88 conflict known as Les événements.

Funded by an ACC-MOWCAP grant, PAMBU is digitising the slides for public access, and in this webinar, Nic will discuss the collection and the importance of preserving images and social history in the Pacific islands.

Registration is required: https://anu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_3jWrq7r0Rq6Bbi_U1Ea4Ug

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