**Workshop Symposium: Political Life Writing in the Pacific Islands**

*Date:* 18 October 2012  
*Conveners:* Brij V Lal and Jack Corbett  
*Location:* SSGM Meeting Room, Coombs Building #9

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| 8.30 a.m. – 9.00 a.m. | **Introduction**  
|                | Tea and Coffee  
|                | Welcome: Jack Corbett                        |
| 9.00 a.m. – 10.30 a.m. | **Session One (Chair: Brij V Lal)**  
|                | Sethy Regenvanu – ‘Celebrating My Journey – The Value of Autobiography in Recording History’  
|                | Dame Carol Kidu – ‘Was it worth it? Reflections after 15 years in politics’  
| 10.30 a.m. – 11.00 a.m. | **Morning Tea**  
|                | Tea and Coffee  
| 11.00 a.m. – 12.30 p.m. | **Session Two (Chair: Deryck Scarr)**  
|                | Doug Munro – ‘Biographies of Post-1900 New Zealand Prime Ministers’  
|                | Clive Moore – ‘Solomon Islands Biography: editors, co-authors, and ghost-writers’  
| 12.30 p.m. – 1.30 p.m. | **Lunch**  
<p>|                | Light refreshments                          |</p>
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| 1.30 p.m. – 3.00 p.m. | **Session Three (Chair: Jack Corbett)**  
Deryck Scarr – ‘Random Thoughts of an Occasional Practitioner’  
Nicole Haley – ‘Celebrating the Life of a Ritual Leader: A Story Worth Telling?’  
Ceridwen Spark - 'Life writing about women in PNG: strategic celebration or propaganda?'

| 3.00 p.m. – 3.30 p.m. | **Afternoon Tea**  
Tea and Coffee

| 3.30 p.m. – 5.00 p.m. | **Session Four (Chair: Nicole Haley)**  
Areti Metuamate - ‘George Tupou V. The Tongan, the Christian, the King’  
Sam Alasia – ‘Money, Magic, Sex and Lies, the other side of politics in Solomon Islands’  
Christopher Chevalier – ‘Understanding Solomon - writing the life of Solomon Mamaloni’

| 5.00 p.m. – 5.30 p.m. | **Closing Remarks**  
Brij V Lal |