



Pacific Islands Association of Libraries, Archives, and Museums (PIALA)

September 10, 2019

Dear Sir/Madam,

We are pleased to invite you to attend the 29th Annual Conference of the Pacific Islands Association of Libraries, Archives, and Museums (PIALA) to be held at the University of Guam's Robert F. Kennedy Memorial Library, Guam, USA, on November 21-26, 2019. This year's theme is "Our Pacific Islands Literacy, Culture and Preservation" and is hosted by the Guam Library Association (GLA). The theme exemplifies our PIALA mission to enhance the quality of leadership in order to support and strengthen libraries, archives, and museums across the Pacific Islands.

The conference provides opportunities for our Pacific Islands communities to learn, achieve, succeed, and share our unique stories. Take advantage of this important opportunity to engage with our colleagues through educational discussions, presentations, resource sharing and collaboration.

PIALA is a regional association committed to fostering awareness and encouraging cooperation and resource sharing among libraries, archives, museums, and related institutions of the Pacific Islands. The seed of PIALA was first planted during the Governors' meeting held in Saipan in 1990, which was finalized in Guam the year after. Since then, the PIALA Conference is hosted by each island entity once a year in November.

It is our hope that our Pacific Islands communities will be at the forefront of meaningful change when it comes to creating better communities. Let's UNITE, EMPOWER, GET HEARD, and RESPECT one another.

We have partnered with United Airlines to offer travel discounts to our event. Visit www.united.com/meetingtravel and enter **ZHF6285557**. ***Please note that travel must be booked between 11/18/2019-11/30/2019 in order to receive the discount.**

To register for the conference or for more information on call for papers, please visit PIALA's website at <http://piala-pacific.wixsite.com/piala-pacific/> or email piala.org@gmail.com.

Looking forward to your participation and involvement.

Sincerely,

Dante O. Perez
President, GLA

Erlinda C. Naputi
President, PIALA

Erlinda C. Naputi, President (CNMI) • Roland San Nicolas, Vice President (GU) • Jeffrey Libao, Treasurer (GU) • Michael Williams (FSM)



Republic of Palau, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, Federated States of Micronesia, Republic of the Marshall Islands

Visit our website: <https://piala-pacific.wixsite.com/piala-pacific> Email: piala.org@gmail.com