



Most of mainstream popular culture and history books have generally overlooked the place of diverse communities and their contributions in society. Join us in a rare opportunity to hear from community librarians, historians and advocates who have authored popular local history books in partnership with ARCADIA Publishing. Learn how they have successfully captured the collective community memories from families, organizations and prominent individuals from diverse communities in and around Los Angeles. What were the challenges and joys they faced while interviewing our immigrant pioneers and searching through family photo albums? In this audience encouraged roundtable conversation, their goal is to promote and encourage more community history books to be written, especially from diverse communities.

Florante Peter Ibanez - "Filipinos in Carson and the South Bay", Loyola Law School, Carson Historical Committee, LA as Subject

Jenny Cho – "Chinatown in Los Angeles" and "Chinatown and China City in Los Angeles - *Postcard History*", Chinese Historical Society of Southern California

Elnora Kelly Tayag - "Filipinos in Ventura County", California State University Channel Islands, Filipino American Library

Bill Watanabe – "Los Angeles's Little Tokyo", Little Tokyo Service Center, Little Tokyo Historical Society

Lessa Kanani'opua Pelayo-Lozada - "Hawaiians in Los Angeles", Palos Verdes Library

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