

CALL FOR PAPERS One Archipelago, Many Stories. Navigating 500 Years of Cross-Cultural Contact

The 5th Marianas History Conference opens to scholars, researchers, and students from all over the world to examine aspects related to history, cultural heritage, language, political status, demographic change, and the overall process of adaptation of the Mariana Islands and her people that followed Western contact.

In 1521, half a millennium ago, the Spanish expedition lead by Ferdinand Magellan reached the Mariana Islands marking the first recorded encounter between the people of the archipelago and the people from the other side of the world. Those first, complex interactions triggered a number of consequences for these islands leaving in its wake a legacy of colonization that persists to this day in Guam and the Northern Marianas.

The Marianas History Conference is co-organized by the Northern Marianas Humanities Council, the University of Guam, Humanities Guåhan, Guampedia, Guam Preservation Trust, and Northern Marianas College. The conference encourages a broad collaboration on the part of historians, archeologists, social anthropologists and those with interest in the history of the Mariana Islands. It calls on the combined efforts of the community in Guam and the Northern Marianas to tell *the many stories* that define the history and identity of *one archipelago*.

This 5th Marianas History Conference opens a call for papers and panel presentations by community members, undergraduate/graduate students, and university scholars across all disciplines, related to the history of the Mariana Islands. Submissions of abstracts (maximum of 200 words) are due on or before **November 30, 2020**. For submissions, see our site: <u>https://www.uog.edu/mhc2021/</u>

Conference papers will be published together with conference proceedings in an electronic format, as funding permits. Presenters who wish to submit a paper for publication must specify so in the abstract submission. For the preferred format, please follow Chicago Manual of Style, 2017 edition.

This e-conference will take place online, from February 19-26, 2021. Chaired by the Micronesian Area Research Center, the 5th Marianas History Conference is hosted by the University of Guam and the Northern Marianas Humanities Council, with the co-organizing support of Humanities Guåhan, Guampedia, Northern Marianas College, and Guam Preservation Trust.

For questions, just email us: mhc@triton.uog.edu.

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