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2018 Summer Institute Edition

The New Newsletter

Welcome to the new OHC newsletter! You'll be hearing from us a little more often, about once a month. We'll be bringing you news, notes from the field, a peek into our archives, and letting you into what we're listening to and reading. There might even be a few surprises each month!

This month, we're bringing you pieces related to our 2018 Advanced Oral History Summer Institute, which is happening from August 6-10. We hope you enjoy all of the content that we're bringing you, interviews and articles alike.

From Our Director, Martin Meeker

OHC Director Martin Meeker reflects on past Summer Institutes, and looks forward to the future. [Read a few words from him about what he's looking forward to most from our 2018 Summer Institute.](#)



19|47 ARCHIVE



JOIN US on Tuesday, August 7th from 6-7:30pm for a public presentation by Erin Riggs, Citizen Historian for the 1947 Partition Archives!

[Erin Riggs will join us to discuss her work](#) with 1947 Partition Archive and the importance of documenting these narratives as part of our 2018 Summer Institute. This event is free and open to the public. It will take place in the Heyns Room at the Faculty Club on the UC Berkeley campus. We hope to see you there!



Curating Oral History in a Museum Setting

Amanda Tewes draws on her experiences at the Churchill War Rooms in London to think about place-based oral history curation in museum settings. [Read more about what some of her biggest considerations are when thinking about curating oral history interviews in a public setting.](#)

Notes from the Field: The Talk Offstage

Paul Burnett explores the importance of the unrecorded conversation before and after interviews. [Read more about how he builds rapport with his myriad of narrators on our blog.](#)



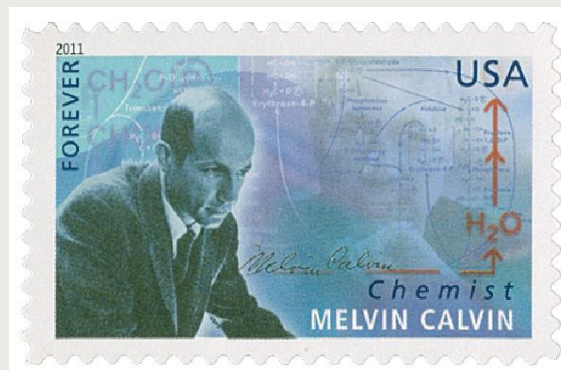
SUMMER INSTITUTE ALUM SPOTLIGHT

Alex Vassar attended our Advanced Oral History Summer Institute in 2017. When he joined us last summer, he had just finished an oral history of former State Senator Denise Ducheny on behalf of the State Archives. [Todd Holmes caught up with Alex this past month at his office in Sacramento to this victory and see what else he's been up to since last summer.](#)



FROM THE ARCHIVES: The Making of "Mr. Photosynthesis"

Roger Eardley-Pryor pulls from the OHC archives to explore the life of Melvin Calvin. Calvin was awarded a Nobel Prize in 1961 for his work in chemistry. [Find out more about Calvin over on our blog.](#)



WHAT WE'RE LISTENING TO & WHERE WE'RE HANGING OUT

We're always listening to radio shows and podcasts to pick up tips from other interviewers. Here's a couple of shows on Shanna Farrell's playlist this month:

"Manhood, Now: Live" from Death, Sex, & Money

"Seeing White" from Scene on the Radio

"#226: Terry Gross" from the Longform Podcast

David Dunham is the project lead on the Rosie the Riveter Homefront Oral History Project, and will be at **2018 Rosie Rally 2018 Home Front Festival** at the Rosie the Riveter / World War II American Home Front National Historical Park on Saturday, August 11th. [Read more about the event here, and the opportunity to catch David there!](#)



In Memory of Susan O'Hara

OHC Interviewer Emeritus Ann Lage remembers Susan O'Hara, the prime mover for the Disability Rights and Independent Living Movement (DRILM) project, who passed away on July 1. [Read Ann's tribute to Susan and her work for the OHC on our blog.](#)

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