



Joshua Tree National Park

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## Welcome to the UCI Libraries' 2017 Winter Exhibit

Our Majestic Lands: California's National Parks

Out of all the states, California has the most national parks with nine in total, each representing an incredible diversity of environments and landscapes that include both the lowest point in Death Valley, and the highest elevation in Sequoia and Kings Canyon. While we now find enjoyment from their recreational use in activities ranging from bouldering to camping, the appeal of these landscapes has a long and storied history that is uniquely bound to the history of California and the establishment of the national parks.

Exhibit curators Becky Imamoto (Research Librarian for History and African-American Studies) and Brian Williams (Research Librarian for Criminology, Law & Society) have used photographs, archival documents, and items from UCI Libraries' Special Collections and Archives to highlight California's largest natural and protected parks.

The narrative is comprised of stories form those who fought to preserve the parks for over 50 years and their enduring appeal as a fundamental part of the California experience.

We are honored to feature Al Baldwin, Chair, National Park Foundation and CEO of Baldwin & Sons as our speaker at the exhibit opening (February 28, 2017). Baldwin will share his expertise about the National Park Service in addition to his commitment and vision for the future of these valuable lands. This exhibit—Our Majestic Lands--is a story of the sacrifices and victories that lead to the creation and prosperity of a national park system "for the benefit and enjoyment of the people."

Lorelei Tanji University Librarian



A kelp forest with a school of Sardines in the waters surrounding the Channel Islands National Park.

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President Theodore Roosevelt and John Muir overlooking the Yosemite Valley.

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