Valerie Brett Shaindlin

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Research Interests

My personal and professional backgrounds are broad and eclectic, and I am interested in bridging diverse fields of study to approach interdisciplinary issues, particularly related to intersectional feminism. So far, this includes investigating education and literacy; "feminized" professions; institutional bodies, management, and career trajectories; museums, public history, and cultural centers; oral history and biography; pedagogical book clubs; philosophy and critical theory; and social justice.

Education

University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, Honolulu, HI, December 2018
Master of Library and Information Science (MLISc)
Masters Thesis: *Ruth Horie: An Oral History Biography and Feminist Analysis*

Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs, NY, May 2012
Bachelor of Science (BS): Management and Business
Minors: Early Childhood Education; International Affairs

Awards, Honors and Scholarships

Friends of the Library of Hawai'i Scholarship, 2018

Beta Phi Mu - Xi Chapter Scholarship, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, 2018

LIS Achievement Scholarship, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, 2017-18; 2018-19

Mānoa Opportunity Grant, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, 2017-18 academic year

Dean's List, Skidmore College, Fall 2009; Summer 2011; Fall 2011; Spring 2012

Positions Held

University of Hawai'i Cancer Center, Honolulu, HI
Information Database Specialist: February 2019 – ; **Graduate Research Assistant**: February 2017 – December 2018
Provides research support assistance including but not limited to information database training to the Cancer Center programs, administration, and research support sections; coordinates access to and provide training on Cayuse Grant and Research Support Management System; serve as liaison with Cayuse for training, troubleshooting, customization of system to meet Center needs. Previously: Provided grant support for the various research studies for the Cancer Epidemiology Program, including literature searches and updating bibliography/reference databases; data consistency checks; assistance with grant-related documents, including proposals; development of budgets; data entry into and ongoing management of grants database; human resources functions; fiscal processing (account set up, advances, payroll, overload, carryover); purchase orders and disbursement; human studies research compliance.

Yogaloha Hawai'i, Honolulu, HI
Studio Manager: March 2016 – March 2017
Worked directly with owner; coordinated studio schedule, including special events, fundraisers, workshops, private lessons, teacher trainings, and scheduling; expanded and managed brand reach: social media, blog, marketing, partnerships, press, and community outreach; taught weekly yoga classes and lectured at teacher trainings.

Core Power Yoga, Honolulu, HI
Retail Specialist: October 2015 – May 2016
Leadership role responsible for driving the retail sales of two studios; responsible for product pricing and product displays; transported products between hub and studios; completed mandatory quarterly full studio inventory counts; collaborated with studio managers to promote product knowledge and retail training, for return/exchange support, and for special requests made by customers; operated POS system.

EVINS, Ltd., New York, NY
Account Executive: January 2013 – May 2014; **Associate Account Executive**: August 2012 – December 2012; **Travel Division Intern**: June – August 2011
Implemented strategic public relations programs, including marketing and brand management activities; represented clients at industry events to increase brand exposure and strengthen media and industry relationships; established media contacts, generated and managed media lists via database, scheduled media appointments, secured media coverage; produced press materials including media alerts, pitches, press releases and press kits; tracked media coverage, compiled monthly client reports, statistics and graphs, and distributed to clients; managed clients' product inventories; managed product loan-outs; assisted with new-business research and proposals; supervised rotating team of up to six interns.

Skidmore College Non Denominational Chapel, Saratoga Springs, NY
Manager: November 2009 – May 2012
Managed upkeep and general appearance as well as scheduled use of building; created and managed social media outlets for programming and events; pioneered partnership with the college's Department of Residential Life to design, promote and implement co-sponsored community events to increase awareness of and drive traffic to Chapel programming (exhibits, screenings, forums, services).

Digital Skills

Adobe Acrobat; Databases; EndNote; IT Works by Cayuse Grants Management Software; Mailchimp; Microsoft Office; Social media (Goodreads, Instagram, Pinterest, Twitter, YouTube); Website template software (Squarespace, Weebly, Wix, Wordpress).

Peer-Reviewed Publications

Accepted for publication:

Shaindlin, V. B. (2019). Reading museum exhibits: Visitors' reading of exhibits in cultural heritage institutions and museums. *The International Journal of Information, Diversity, & Inclusion, 3*(2).

Conference Presentations

Shaindlin, V. B. (2019, February 15). *Challenging Library of Congress Subject Headings pertaining to Hawai'i*. Presented at the East-West Center International Graduate Student Conference, Honolulu, HI.

Vega, H. & Shaindlin, V. B. (2018, November 17). *Social justice in library instruction*. Roundtable discussion presented at the Hawai'i Library Association's Annual Conference, Honolulu, HI.

Shaindlin, V. B., Brown, L., & Vega, H. (2018, November 16). *New LIS book club fosters critical librarianship.* Poster presented at the Hawai'i Library Association Annual Conference, Honolulu, HI.

Conferences and Symposia Attended

18th East-West Center International Graduate Student Conference, Honolulu, HI – February 14-16, 2019

Hawai'i Library Association Annual Conference, Honolulu, HI – November 2018

Seeding Authority: A Symposium on Decolonizing the Museum (Museum Studies Graduate Certificate Program, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa), Honolulu, HI – November 2018

Hawai'i Information Literacy Summit (University of Hawai'i Libraries Information Literacy Committee), Honolulu, HI – April 2017

Leadercast Live, Albany, NY – 2012

Discussant

Sea Level Rise and Extreme Precipitation: Preparing for Honolulu's Uncertain Future, Bernice Pauahi Bishop Museum, Honolulu, HI, March 11, 2018

Other Writing

Shaindlin, V.B. (2019, January 24). Books for children of narcissistic parents. *The Thirlby*. Retrieved from: https://www.thethirlby.com/thejournal/2019/1/24/books-for-children-of-narcissistic-parents.

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Shaindlin, V. B. (2018, September 26). Guest post: More what I ate Wednesday, Hawaii style. *Jessica Cording Nutrition*. Retrieved from: https://www.jessicacordingnutrition.com/guest-post-more-hawaii-style-what-i-ate-wednesday/.

Shaindlin, V. B. (2018, September 12). Guest post: What I ate Wednesday, Hawaii style. *Jessica Cording Nutrition*. Retrieved from: https://www.jessicacordingnutrition.com/guest-post-what-i-ate-wednesday-hawaii-style/.

Shaindlin, V. B. (2018, August 14). Meet the woman just elected president of the oldest & largest library association in the world. *Girl Talk HQ*. Retrieved from: https://girltalkhq.com/meet-the-woman-just-elected-president-of-the-oldest-largest-library-association-in-the-world/.

Shaindlin, V. B. (2018, May 3). Real life: What it's like to move from New York to Hawaii. *Jessica Cording Nutrition*. Retrieved from: http://www.jessicacordingnutrition.com/real-life-what-its-like-to-move-from-new-york-to-hawaii/.

Shaindlin, V. B. (2017, September 11). Celebrating Dr. Carla Hayden – The first black woman to be appointed Librarian of Congress. *Girl Talk HQ*. Retrieved from: http://girltalkhq.com/celebrating-dr-carla-hayden-the-first-black-woman-to-be-appointed-librarian-of-congress/.

Shaindlin, V. B. (2013, August 1). College grads' quick tasty kale chips recipe in 10 min. *Life After College*. Retrieved from: http://www.lifeaftercollege.com/stories-and-advice/cooking/college-grad-kale-chips-recipe/.

Interviewed and Quoted In

Lion, T. (2019, January 17). 14 Heartening Memoirs That Will Improve Your Outlook On Life. *Fupping*. Retrieved from: https://fupping.com/taegan/2019/01/17/14-heartening-memoirs-that-will-improve-your-outlook-on-life/.

Smith, P. (2018, November 20). How your business can outpace Amazon this season. *Funding Circle Ltd.* Retrieved from: https://www.fundingcircle.com/us/resources/business-outpace-amazon-season/.

Lion, T. (2018, October 19). 7 Free Books Business/Startup Owners Should Read. *Fupping*. Retrieved from: https://fupping.com/taegan/2018/10/19/7-free-books-business-startup-owners-should-read/.

Arcayna, N. (2016, August 16). Yoga 101: A style for everyone, from relaxation to weight loss, with many benefits. *Honolulu Star Advertiser*. (Print and online feature). Retrieved from: http://www.staradvertiser.com/2016/08/16/features/good-fit/yoga-101-theres-a-style-for-everyone-from-relaxation-to-weight-loss-and-the-benefits-are-numerous/.

McKillop, K. (2014, March 5). What You Need to Get a Job in Public Relations after College. *AfterCollege*. Retrieved from: http://blog.aftercollege.com/need-get-job-public-relations-college/.

Lung, R. (2013, July 26). What It's Really Like to Do Public Relations after College in New York City. *Life After College*. Retrieved from: http://www.lifeaftercollege.com/collegegrad/public-relations-in-nyc/.

Donohue, E. (2009, September 9). Who? What? When? Where? Why? Valerie Shaindlin. *The Saratogian*. Local section; p. 3A.

Teaching Experience

Yoga Teacher (independent contractor): August 2014 –

Yogaloha Hawaiʻi, Honolulu, HI
Yoga Teacher (group and private studio classes): September 2014 – December 2017
Classes: All levels; Meditation & Pranayama; Power Yoga; Restorative Yoga; Stråla Yoga; Vinyasa; Yin Yoga; Yoga for the Core
Guest Lecturer (200-hour Yoga Teacher Training): June 2017; October – December 2017
Topics: Bandhas; Business of Yoga; History of Yoga; Mudras; Yoga Sutras and Yogic Texts

Sunset Yoga Hawaiʻi, Honolulu, HI
Yoga Teacher (group and private classes outdoors): March 2015 – June 2016
Classes: Ashtanga-based Vinyasa; mindfulness/meditation hikes

Power Yoga Hawaiʻi, **Honolulu, HI**
Yoga Teacher (group studio classes): December 2014 – April 2016
Classes: Power Yoga

Honolulu Waldorf School, Honolulu, HI
Assistant After School Care Teacher: November – December 2014

Lake Avenue Elementary School, Saratoga Springs, NY
Teaching Assistant: January - May 2012

New York Head Start, Saratoga, NY
Preschool teacher (for bilingual English/Spanish house-visits): January – May 2011

Professional Society Membership

Progressive Librarians Guild, January 2019 –

Hawaiʻi Library Association, November 2018 –

American Association of University Women (AAUW), April 2018 –

American Library Association (ALA) Student Chapter, University of Hawaiʻi at Mānoa, January

2017 – December 2018

Progressive Librarians Guild Student Chapter, University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa, January – December 2018
Public Relations Coordinator: January – May 2018

Special Library Association (SLA) Student Chapter, University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa, January 2017 – December 2018
Secretary: August – December 2017

Yoga Alliance, June 2015 –

University Service

LIS Diversity Council, University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa, January 2017 – December 2018
President: January – December 2018

Coaching and Teamwork Service Learning Experience, Department of Management and Business, Skidmore College, 2010 – 2011
MB 107 Executive Presentation Coach: January 2010 – December 2011

Skidmore Nutrition Action Council, Skidmore College, August 2008 – May 2012
Public Relations Coordinator: August 2008 – May 2012

Spanish Club, Skidmore College, August 2008 – May 2009
Treasurer: August 2008 – May 2009

Community Service

Hawai‘i Foodbank, Honolulu, HI
Volunteer: November 2018

The Thirlby
Contributor: August 2018 –

Yoga Medicine Seva Foundation
Fundraiser: February – November 2018

Friends of the Library of Hawai‘i, Honolulu, HI
Warehouse Volunteer: February 2019 –
Books at Mark’s Bookseller: May – August 2017

Mo‘ili‘ili Public Library (Hawai‘i State Public Library System), Honolulu, HI
Intermittent volunteer: September 2016 –

Constantine & Helen Greek Orthodox Cathedral of the Pacific, Honolulu, HI
Volunteer (for library reorganization project): May 2017

Women's Yoga Fundraiser for Hoʻola Na Pua, Honolulu, HI
Event coordinator: April 2016

Constantine & Helen Greek Orthodox Cathedral of the Pacific Greek Festival, Honolulu, HI
Volunteer: August 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008

Languages

English (native); Spanish (working knowledge); German & Russian (bibliographic knowledge)

Interests and Expertise

E-RYT 200 Yoga Teacher, 2014 –

- Experienced-Registered Yoga Teacher (E-RYT) with Yoga Alliance
- Currently enrolled in Yoga Medicine's 500-hour Advanced Yoga Teacher Training
- Completed training:
    - **Conducting a Comprehensive Evaluation in a Therapeutic Yoga Setting**, Yoga Medicine, March 2018
    - **Recognizing Red Flags in a Therapeutic Yoga Setting**, Yoga Medicine, March 2018
    - **Yin & Meditation**, Yoga Medicine, August 2017
    - **Sträla Yoga Intensive Training**, May 2016
    - **Shakti Flow teacher training**, April 2016
    - **Prenatal Yoga Workshop**, Hawaii Yoga Institute, June 2015
    - **200-hour Yoga Teacher Training**, North East Power Yoga, June-August 2014

Human Nutrition: Personal interest and expertise

- Completed online course "The Science of Human Nutrition" through Kapiolani Community College, Spring 2015
- Completed online course "Nutrition, Health & Lifestyle Issues & Insights" through Vanderbilt University School of Nursing, Spring 2014

Hobbies: art, hiking, learning languages, plant-based diets and nutrition, reading, taekwondo, traveling

Coursework Completed

Official or unofficial transcripts available upon request.

References

References and letters of recommendation available upon request.