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Australia and California 1850-1935

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CALIFORNIA AND AUSTRALIA HAVE ALWAYS HAD STRONG SIMILARITIES AND
SIGNIFICANT CONNECTIONS, MOST OF ALL IN TERMS OF THEIR ARCHITECTURE.

FREE PUBLIC LECTURE

6:00M
(DRINKS FROM 5.30PM)
FRIDAY
19 MARCH 2010

SISALKRAFT THEATRE
GROUND FLOOR
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Erika Esau's lecture reports upon the research for her new book *Images of the Pacific Rim: Australia and California, 1850-1935*. She is concerned with exchanges between California and Australia, especially in the early years of the twentieth century. But the special relationship dates from the time of the gold rushes, when the first frame house in California was built of wood from houses brought from Tasmania. Esau has discovered much else about the travels of Australian architects to California, and about the means by which Californian developments were disseminated in Australia.

Ericka Esau is currently works as a part-time Archivist, The Jonathan Club, Los Angeles, California, Librarian at the Huntington Library Reader Services, San Marino, California, Librarian (part-time), Rifkind Center of German Expressionist Studies, Los Angeles County Museum of Art and is currently a Visiting Fellow School of Humanities, Faculty of Arts, The Australian National University. Her other publications include *German Expressionism at Lawrence University: The La Vera Pohl Collection*, and, *The Blue Guide Australia* (co-author with George Boeck), and *E.O. Hoppé's Australia* (with Graham Howe).

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