Kenelm O.L. Burridge
fonds

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Fonds Description

44.5 cm of textual records and published materials.
46 audio compact discs.

Biographical Sketch

Kenelm Burridge was born in Malta in 1922. After spending his childhood in Lucknow, India, he was educated in England, and in 1939 he joined the Royal Navy. Burridge served on the battleships HMS Ramillies and Royal Sovereign in the Mediterranean, and the Atlantic and Indian Oceans until 1942, when he transferred to the submarine service. He was serving aboard HMS Splendid when she was sunk off Naples in 1943 and he was captured. He escaped later that year, and eventually returned to service in the Far East, retiring as a lieutenant in 1946. Burridge entered Exeter College, Oxford, that year, and completed his B.A. in 1948, a diploma in Social Anthropology, the following year, and later his B.Litt. (1950) and M.A. (1952) in Anthropology. He then obtained a Ph.D. in that field from Australian National University in 1954. Burridge has conducted fieldwork in Papua New Guinea, Malaya (where he was a research fellow at the University of Malaya), Australia, New Hebrides, and India. He held teaching posts in anthropology and ethnology at Baghdad University and Oxford before joining UBC as professor of anthropology in 1968.

Burridge’s main interests during his career were anthropological history and theory, religion, myth, museology, and missiology. Until his retirement in 1988, Burridge also served as visiting lecturer or professor at the University of Western Australia, Princeton University, and International Christian University in Tokyo. He received Killam, Guggenheim, and Canada Council fellowships, and was named honorary life fellow of the Royal Anthropological Institute, the Association for Social Anthropology in Oceania, and the Royal Society of Canada.

Scope and Content

Fonds consists of reports and published and unpublished material which reflect his anthropological interests particularly in the areas of religion and mythology. Fonds also includes Burridge's B. Litt. thesis (1950) and Ph.D. thesis (1953), as well as some recordings of his class lectures given from 1986-1987 recorded by anthropology student Lindy-Lou Flynn.

Notes

Researchers are strongly advised to check with the University Archives regarding permission to publish or otherwise use materials from this fonds.
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File List

BOX 1

1-1 Biographical Information - C.V., List of Publications
1-3 Ph.D. Thesis - "Social Control in Tangu" (The Australian University, Canberra, 1953)
1-4 Report - "A Report on Fieldwork in Batu Pahat, Johore" (1956)

Published Articles

1-5 "Tangu, New Guinea" (1954-1962)
1-6 "Malaya" (1957-1963)
1-7 "General" (1965-1986)
1-8/10 Reviews - Typescripts, Correspondence, etc.
1-11 Occasional/Unpublished Papers and Lectures

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2-1/3 Occasional/Unpublished Papers and Lectures
2-4 Papers by Others Collected by Burridge
2-5 Report - "A Draft Architects Brief - Building, Estate and Sites Committee, St. Cross College, Oxford (1967)

Audio CDs - lectures recorded by anthropology student Lindy-Lou Flynn

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