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The Malki Museum is proud to celebrate its 40th anniversary this year. The Malki Press is proud to celebrate its 30th anniversary of publishing *The Journal of California Anthropology* (1974), re-named *The Journal of California and Great Basin Anthropology* (1979).

The past four decades have seen many changes for the “little museum on the windswept plateau of the historic Cahuilla, Malki village site”. Our commitment to our mission statement is as strong as ever and so are the people and members who help to see our mission become a day to day reality.

Malki Museum Mission Statement

Malki Museum’s mission is to promote scholarship, cultural awareness and understanding of Southern California Indian tribes. The museum will collect display and explain the art and artifacts of the Indians of the San Gorgonio Pass area and encourages and perpetuates these cultures. The Malki Museum Press under the Malki Museum Association will strive to publish quality literary works on past and present California Indian cultures.

The Journal began in 1974 as the *Journal of California Anthropology* This invaluable reference and learning tool was published for five years, a total of ten volumes, each consisting of two issues for five years.

In 1979 members attending the Great Basin Anthropological Conference began discussing the need for a Journal for their area. With great insight and much discussion, past Editors and Katherine Siva Saubel, President of Malki and Professor Heizer who led the Great Basin conference all met and began the vision which has become the *Journal of California and Great Basin Anthropology*.

Katherine Siva Saubel is *still* the active President of the Malki Museum and Malki Press Editorial Board as we celebrate these anniversary milestones. Malki Press now has just under 40 titles to its credit, many of which are used as text books in colleges and universities throughout the US and Europe. Most recently, Malki Press published Dr. Saubel’s autobiography, “*A Dried Coyote Tail*” which is written, line by line, in her native Cahuilla language as well as English.

Contained in this 30th anniversary year issue are the index and contents from the first five years of the *Journal of California Anthropology*, Volumes No. 1-10, and the complete index and contents of the *Journal of California and Great Basin Archeology* Vol. 1, No. 1, 1979 – Current.

We have reprinted President Saubel’s original opening letter to subscribers from Vol. 1, 1974 and include herein President Saubel’s 30th anniversary letter to you, our current subscribers.

Thank you for your continued support, submissions and subscriptions.

Debra Jenkins Garcia, Malki Press Editor, 2004

