

KEVIN STARR
CURRICULUM VITAE

Occupation

State Librarian of California
Chief Executive Officer, Library of California
Chair and Chief Executive Officer, Library Construction and Renovation Bond Board

Education

Bachelor of Arts, University of San Francisco, 1962
Master of Arts, Harvard University, 1965
Doctor of Philosophy, Harvard University, 1969
Master of Library Science, University of California, Berkeley, 1974
Further Study, Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, 1983-84

Books

Americans and the California Dream, 1850-1915 (Oxford University Press, 1973)
Land's End, a Novel (McGraw Hill, 1979)
California! (Peregrine Smith, 1980, a textbook).
Inventing the Dream: California Through the Progressive Era (Oxford University Press, 1985)
Over California (Collins, 1990)
Material Dreams: Southern California Through the 1920s (Oxford University Press, 1990)
Endangered Dreams: The Great Depression in California (Oxford University Press, 1996)
The Dream Endures: California Enters the 1940s (Oxford University Press, 1997)
Commerce and Civilization, Claremont McKenna College, The First Fifty Years, 1946-1996 (1998)
Embattled Dreams: California in War and Peace, 1940-1950 (Oxford University Press, 2002)

Books in Progress

Finding the Dream: California 1951-1963 (manuscript in progress)
Coast of Dreams: California on the Edge, 1990-2002 (in press with Alfred A. Knopf)

Chapters in Books

"The California Dream" in *California: A Place, a People, and a Dream* (Chronicle Books, 1986)
"Memories and Reflections on the Occasion of Reading Samuel Johnson By My Former Neighbor, Mr. Walter Jackson Bate," in *The Harvard Book, Selections From Three Centuries*, edited by William Bentinck-Smith (Revised Edition, Harvard University Press, 1982)

"Jerry Brown: The Governor as Zen Jesuit" in *The San Francisco Irish, 1850-1976*, edited by James P. Walsh (The Irish Literary and Historical Society of San Francisco, 1978)
"A Symbol of Civility" in *San Francisco, Photographs by Morton Beebe* (Abrams, 1985)
"The Case Study Program and the Impending Future: Some Regional Considerations," in *Blueprints for Modern Living, History and Legacy of the Case Study House* (MIT Press, 1989)
O California! (Bedford Arts, 1989)
"Mesa, Cañon and Pueblo" in *Perpetual Mirage: Photographic Narrative of the Desert West*, edited by May Castleberry (Whitney Museum of American Art, 1996)
Sunset and the Phenomenon of the Far West in *Sunset Magazine, A Century of Western Living, 1898-1998* (Stanford University Libraries, 1998)

Prefaces, Forewords, Introductions, and Special Projects (select list)

Rim-Rock and Sage, The Collected Poems of Maynard Dixon (1977)
Itinerary, Essays on California Writers, edited by Charles L. Crow (1978)
Grapes and Grape Vines of California (1981)
Bay Window Bohemia by Oscar Lewis (1983)
McTeague, A Story of San Francisco, by Frank Norris (1983)
Iron Men, California's Industrial Pioneers by Richard H. Dillon (1984)
The Octopus, A Novel of California, by Frank Norris (1985)
Isaac Williams, California Pioneer by Albert Shumate (1986)
The Best of California, edited by Harold Hayes (1986)
An Orange Grove Boyhood, by Lawrence Clark Powell (1988)
LA 2000: A City for the Future (1988)
Primo Angeli, Twelve Stories (1988)
Henry J. Kaiser, American Empire Builder, by Albert Heiner (1989)
The Rise of Los Angeles as an American Bibliographical Center (California State Library Foundation Press, 1989)
San Francisco: Photographs by Santi Visalli (1990)
Judge John T. Noonan, Jr., A Brief Biography, in *The Journal of Law and Religion*, (Nov. 1995)
Sam Brannan, Builder of San Francisco : A Biography, by Louis John Stellman (1996)
A Legacy of Caring: The Impassioned Mission of the Sisters of the Holy Family, by Charlotte and James Wolfe Hall (1997)
Alaska Gold: Life on the New Frontier, 1898-1906, edited by Jeff Kunbel (1997)
Discover Los Angeles, by Letitia Burns OConner (1997)
The Dominican Spirit, by Kevin Starr (Arion Press, 1997)
Fiddletown: From Gold Rush to Rediscovery, Elaine Zorbas (1997)
The California Legacy, by William Fulton (1998)
Circles of Influence: Impressionism to Modernism in Southern California Art, 1910-1930, by Sarah Vure (2000)
Rooted in Barbarous Soil: People, Culture, and Community in Gold Rush California, edited by Kevin Starr and Richard J. Orsi (2000)
The Olive in California: History of an Immigrant Tree by Judith Taylor (2000)

Roots of the Present: Napa Valley 1900 to 1950 by Lin Weber (2001)

Articles, Reviews

America, American Spectator, Bancroftiana, Business History, Boston Globe, California, California Business, California History, California Journal, California Living, California Monthly, City of San Francisco, Harvard Magazine, Library Journal, LA Weekly, Los Angeles Times, New Republic, New York Times, Pasadena, Quarterly of the California Historical Society, Sacramento Bee, San Jose Mercury News, Santa Barbara, Sierra Club Bulletin, Southern California Quarterly, Vogue, Washington Post, Western History, and others.

Journalism

Contributing editor, *Los Angeles Times*, 1994 - 2000

Daily columnist, *San Francisco Examiner*, 1977-83 (approximately 1500 columns on all aspects of social, cultural, political, and religious affairs)

Rome/Vatican correspondent, Hearst Newspapers, 1978 (Pulitzer Prize Nominee)

Senior editor, *New West [California]* magazine, 1977

Communications, Marketing, Development

Consultant, Beyl and Boyd, Inc., San Francisco, 1979-83

Senior Consultant, Hill and Knowlton USA, San Francisco, 1983-84

Principal, Kevin Starr Associates, San Francisco, 1983-85

[Selected Client List: The Asia Foundation, Bank of America, Bank of San Francisco, Bedford Arts Press, Continental Development Corporation, California Energy Company, Pacific Telesis Group, The Permanente Medical Group, Rockefeller Center Development Corporation, San Francisco Taxicab Association, Tejon Ranch Company].

Teaching

Assistant (later Associate) Professor of American Literature, Harvard University, 1969-74

Visiting Associate Professor of English, UC-Berkeley, 1974

Adjunct Professor of Humanities, San Francisco State University, 1975-76

Visiting Lecturer in Political Science, UC-Berkeley, 1976

Regents' Lecturer in Political Science, UC-Riverside, 1977

Adjunct Professor of English, Santa Clara University, 1977-78

Lecturer on Librarianship, UC-Berkeley, 1978

Professor, Communication Arts, University of San Francisco, 1981-89

Visiting Professor of History, UC-Davis, 1985-86

Visiting Fellow, Center for Humanistic Studies, Claremont McKenna College, Fall 1987
Visiting Scholar and Media Fellow, Hoover Institution, 1986-88
Professor of Urban and Regional Planning, University of Southern California, 1989-1998
University Professor, University of Southern California, 1998 – continuing

Administration

Assistant Adjutant, 18th Infantry Brigade, Coleman Barracks, Sandhofen, Germany, 1963
Allston Burr Senior Tutor in Eliot House, Harvard University, 1970-73
Executive Aide to the Mayor of San Francisco, 1973
City Librarian of San Francisco, 1973-76
Faculty Master, Embassy Residential College, 1990 - 1994
State Librarian of California, 1994 - continuing

Public and Professional Service

Trustee, American Issues Forum, 1975-76
Advisor, Junior League of San Francisco, 1982-84
Co-chairman, San Francisco/Sydney Sister City Committee, 1981-86
Candidate, San Francisco Board of Supervisors, November 1984
Trustee, California Historical Society, 1992 - continuing
Councilor, American Antiquarian Society, 1996 - 2000
Member, California Council for the Humanities, 1996 - 1998
Commission on One California, 1999 - continuing

Church Service

Catholic Commission on Intellectual Life, 1990 - continuing
Regent, The Cathedral of Saint Mary of the Assumption, San Francisco, 1996 - 1999
Regent, Saint Patricks Seminary, Menlo Park, 1997-2000
The Sovereign Military Hospitaller Order of St. John of Jerusalem, of Rhodes, and of Malta
(Knights of Malta), Western Association U.S.A., 1997- continuing
Trustee, Institute for Advanced Catholic Studies, 2001 - continuing

Military Service

Lieutenant (Armor), 4th Medium Tank Battalion, 68th Armor, Coleman Barracks, Sandhofen,
Germany, 1962-64 (platoon leader, assistant brigade adjutant, company executive officer)

Awards, Honors, and Grants

Danforth Fellowship to Harvard, 1964-69
Howard Mumford Jones Award, Harvard, 1969
Gold Medal for Non-Fiction of the Commonwealth Club of California, 1974
Bicentennial Fellow, Government of Australia, 1976
Certificate of Honor, City and County of San Francisco, 1976
John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation Fellow, 1976-77
Huntington Library Fellow, 1977
Honorary Diploma, Lowell High School of San Francisco, 1977
Certificate of Honor, City and County of San Francisco, 1978
Doctor of Laws (honoris causa), Golden Gate University, 1985
Doctor of Humane Letters (honoris causa), St. Mary's College of California, 1986
Fellow, The Society of American Historians, elected 1986
J.S. Holliday Award, California Historical Society, 1986
Fellow, American Antiquarian Society, elected 1987
President's Award, City College of San Francisco, 1989
Phi Kappa Phi Faculty Recognition Award, University of Southern California, 1991
Centennial Award, Historical Society of Southern California, 1991
Laura Bride Powers Memorial Award, City and County of San Francisco, 1993
Skull and Dagger, University of Southern California, 1994
Certificate of Appreciation, American Institute of Architects, Los Angeles, 1994
Honorary Member, Society of California Pioneers, 1995
Francisco Palou Award, San Francisco Historical Society, 1995
Doctor of Letters, (honoris causa), Santa Clara University, 1995
Certificate of Honor, City of Los Angeles, 1995
City Treasure, Central City Association of Los Angeles, 1995
Hagman Regional Citizen Award, Southern California Association of Governments, 1996
Alumni Professional Achievement Award, University of San Francisco, 1996
Ron Ross Founders Award, The San Francisco History Association, 1998
Silver Medal for Non-Fiction, The Commonwealth Club of California, 1998
Harvard Club of San Francisco, Distinguished Citizen Award, 1999
Fellow, California Historical Society, 1999-continuing
Fellow, Historical Society of Southern California, 1999 – continuing
The University Medallion, the University of San Francisco, June 2000
Professor of the Year, Sigma Chi Fraternity, USC, 2000
Ester McCoy Award, Architectural Guild of USC, 2001
Professor of the Year, Gamma Sigma Alpha, University of Southern California, 2001
The Oscar Lewis Award for Western History, The Book Club of California, 2003
The Carey McWilliams Award, California Studies Association, 2003
PEN Center USA, Lifetime Achievement Award, 2003

Personal

Born, San Francisco

Married, Sheila Gordon
Daughter, Marian
Daughter, Jessica
Six grandchildren