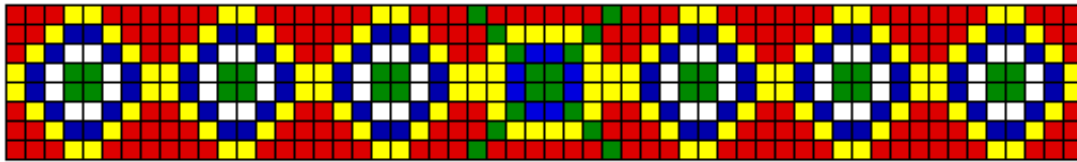


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Rupert Costo on Native American Authors



Native American Authors

Rupert Costo, 1906-1989

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Rupert Costo was born in 1906. He was president and a founding member of the American Indian Historical Society, an all-Indian organization of Native American scholars, professionals, artists and traditional historians. He has organized and directed convocations of Indian scholars at Princeton, New Jersey, and at Aspen, Colorado. Costo is the author of *Contributions and Achievements of the American Indian*, and together with his wife Jeanette Henry Costo has written and edited scholarly works on Native American history and culture. Rupert Costo passed away in 1989.

Online resources by or about Rupert Costo:

[American Indian Nations: Rupert and Jeannette Costo](#)

Author: Trafzer, Clifford

Type: authorbio

Description: Provides a short biography of the authors Rupert and Jeannette Costo and their contribution to Native American history and scholarship in California. There are links to the Costo family photo album on the web. Other links give information about the Costo Chair of American Indian Affairs and the Costo Library of the American Indian.

URL: http://www.americanindian.ucr.edu/unique_heritage/costo.html

[The Journal of San Diego History Book Review: The Missions of California – A Legacy of Genocide](#)

Author: Starr, Raymond

Type: bookreview

Description: Short book review for The Missions of California – A Legacy of Genocide, edited by Rupert Costo and Jeannette Henry Costo. According to the reviewer, "The book attempts to document the catastrophic effects of the mission system on the California Indians and by doing so to discredit the efforts to elevate Junipero Serra, founder of the missions, to sainthood."

URL: <http://www.sandiegohistory.org/journal/89summer/br-missions.htm>

[UCR Library Costo Collection](#)

Author: University of California, Riverside

Type: authorbio

Description: Brief information about the Rupert Costo Library of the American Indian, an archive at the University of California, Riverside.

URL: <http://library.ucr.edu/spcol/costo.shtml>

Books by Rupert Costo:

Costo, Jeannette Dulce Henry; Costo, Rupert. [The American Indian Reader: History](#)

San Francisco, CA : American Indian Educational Publishers, 1974.

Genre: Nonfiction

Language: English

Audience: Adult

ISBN: 0913436232

Costo, Jeannette Dulce Henry; Costo, Rupert. [Indian Treaties: Two Centuries of Dishonor](#)

San Francisco, CA : Indian Historian Press, 1977.

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Costo, Rupert; [Costo, Jeannette Dulce Henry. The Missions of California : a legacy of genocide](#)

San Francisco : The Indian Historian Press, 1987.

Genre: Nonfiction

Audience: Adult

ISBN: 0913436026

Costo, Rupert; Costo, Jeannette Dulce Henry. Natives of the golden state; the California Indians

San Francisco : Indian Historian Press, 1995.

Genre: Nonfiction

Audience: Adult

Costo, Rupert. Redman of the Golden West

San Francisco : The Indian Historian Press, 1970.

Genre: Nonfiction

Audience: Adult

Costo, Rupert. Textbooks and the American Indian

San Francisco, CA : Indian Historian Press, 1970.

Genre: Nonfiction

Language: English

Audience: All Ages

Costo, Rupert; Costo, Jeannette Dulce Henry. A thousand years of American Indian storytelling

San Francisco, CA : Indian Historian Press, 1981.

Genre: Oral History

Language: English

Audience: All Ages

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