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## *Cal Poly Author to Discuss Book on Music and the California Missions Jan. 25*

SAN LUIS OBISPO – Cal Poly music professor and author Craig Russell will discuss his new book, “From Serra to Sancho: Music and Pageantry in the California Missions,” from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Friday, Jan. 25, in the Kennedy Library, Room 111H. The event is a part of the library’s Conversations with Cal Poly Authors series.

Russell’s book explores the historical, cultural and stylistic aspects of California mission music during the late 18th and early 19th centuries. His talk will be followed by a question-and-answer session moderated by history professor emeritus Dan Krieger.

Russell is also the author of “Santiago de Murcia’s ‘Codice Saldivar No.4’: A Treasury of Secular Guitar Music from Baroque Mexico.”

Conversations with Cal Poly Authors is an ongoing series of informal talks hosted at the Kennedy Library and inspired by recent Cal Poly authors’ work. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, visit <http://lib.calpoly.edu/authors/craigrussell>.

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