

**2017 Guest Speaker and Conference Staff
Roster and Bios**

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Subbarao (Rao) Kambhampati
Professor of Computer Science, Arizona State University
President, Association for the Advancement of AI

Subbarao Kambhampati (Rao) is a professor of Computer Science at Arizona State University. He is the current president of the Association for the Advancement of AI (AAAI), and a trustee of the Partnership on AI. His research focuses on automated planning and decision making, especially in the context of human-aware AI systems. He is an award-winning teacher and spends significant time pondering the public perceptions and societal impacts of AI. He was an NSF young investigator, and is a fellow of AAAI and AAAS.

He served the AI community in multiple roles, including as the program chair for IJCAI 2016 and program co-chair for AAAI 2005. Rao's research as well as his views on the progress and societal impacts of AI have been featured in multiple national and international media outlets. Rao received his bachelor's degree from Indian Institute of Technology, Madras, and his PhD from University of Maryland, College Park. Further information available at rakaposhi.eas.asu.edu (or twitter: @rao2z).



Aleksandra (Saška) Mojsilović
IBM Fellow and Scientist, IBM Research

Aleksandra (Saška) Mojsilović is an IBM Fellow and scientist at IBM Research, Yorktown Heights, New York. She received the Ph.D. degree in electrical engineering from the University of Belgrade, Belgrade, Serbia in 1997. She was a Member of Technical Staff at the Bell Laboratories, Murray Hill, New Jersey (1998-2000), and then joined IBM Research, where she currently leads Artificial Intelligence Foundations Department.

Saška is a founder and co-director of the IBM Science for Social Good program. Over the last 20 years, Saška has applied her skills to problems in computer vision, healthcare, multimedia, finance, HR, public affairs and economics.

Saška is one of the pioneers of business analytics at IBM and in the industry; throughout her career she championed innovative uses of analytics for business decision support. For her technical contributions and the business impact of her work Saška was appointed an IBM Fellow, the company's highest technical honor. Saška is the author of over 100 publications and holds 16 patents. Her work has been recognized with several awards including IEEE Signal Processing Society Young Author Best Paper Award, INFORMS Wagner Prize, IBM Extraordinary Accomplishment Award, IBM Gerstner Prize, and Best Paper awards at ECCV and SOLI conferences. She is an IEEE Fellow and a member of INFORMS and SWE.

Saška also serves on the board of directors for Neighborhood Trust Financial Partners, which provides financial literacy and economic empowerment training to low-income individuals.



**Phil Buchanan,
President, Chronicle of Philanthropy**

Phil Buchanan, President of CEP, is a passionate advocate for the importance of philanthropy and the nonprofit sector and deeply committed to the cause of helping foundations to maximize their impact. Hired in 2001 as the organization's first chief executive, Phil has led the growth of CEP into the leading provider of data and insight on foundation effectiveness. CEP has been widely credited

with bringing the voice of grantees and other stakeholders into the foundation boardroom and with contributing to an increased emphasis on clear goals, coherent strategies, disciplined implementation, and relevant performance indicators as the necessary ingredients to maximize foundation effectiveness and impact.

Phil is co-author of many CEP research reports, a columnist for The Chronicle of Philanthropy, and a frequent blogger for the CEP Blog. Phil is also co-founder of YouthTruth, an initiative of CEP's designed to harness student perceptions to help educators accelerate improvements in their K-12 schools and classrooms. He holds an MBA from Harvard University and received his undergraduate degree in Government from Wesleyan University. He has been recognized six times as among the Nonprofit Times "power and influence top 50" – most recently in 2017. In 2016 he was named the Nonprofit Times "influencer of the year." Phil was born in Toronto, grew up in Oregon, and currently lives in Lexington, Massachusetts with his wife and two daughters.



Bruce J. Katz
Centennial Scholar, Brookings Institution

Bruce J. Katz is the inaugural Centennial Scholar at the Brookings Institution, where he focuses on the challenges and opportunities of global urbanization. Katz assumed this cross-institution role in January 2016 after 20 years as the vice president and co-director of the Brookings Metropolitan Policy Program, which he founded in 1996. He is co-author of two books *The Metropolitan Revolution*, and *The New Localism*, which focuses on the shift of power from national governments and states to cities and metropolitan communities.

As Brookings's only centennial scholar, Katz and his team collaborate with experts throughout Brookings and beyond to develop new models of finance, growth, and governance in cities and nations. He regularly advises cross-sector metropolitan, national, and global leaders on public reforms and private innovations that advance the well-being of metropolitan areas and their countries.

Katz heads the Anne T. and Robert M. Bass Initiative on Innovation and Placemaking, a collaboration with the New York-based Project for Public Spaces focused on cross-disciplinary approaches to city building. He is also one of the leaders of the Brookings Project on 21st Century City Governance.

Before joining Brookings--, Katz served as chief of staff to Housing and Urban Development Secretary Henry Cisneros and was the senior counsel and then staff director for the U.S. Senate Subcommittee on Housing and Urban Affairs. In 2008, he co-led the housing and urban issues transition team for the Obama Administration and served as a senior advisor to the new Secretary of Housing and Urban Development Shaun Donovan for the first 100 days of the administration.

In 2006, he received the prestigious Heinz Award in Public Policy for his contributions to the understanding of the "function and values of cities and metropolitan areas and profoundly influencing their economic vitality, livability and sustainability."

Katz is a graduate of Brown University and Yale Law School, and is a visiting professor at the London School of Economics.



Jeremy Nowak
Senior Fellow, Brookings Institution

Jeremy Nowak is a distinguished visiting fellow at Drexel University's Lindy Institute for Urban Innovation. He is the founder of The Reinvestment Fund, one of the largest community investment institutions in the United States, and chaired the Board of the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia. Nowak is also the chief strategist for Spring Point Partners, a non-resident senior fellow at the Brookings Institution, on the

board of directors of the University City Science Center in Philadelphia, a member of the advisory board of the Institute for Urban Research at the University of Pennsylvania, and a senior fellow at the Center for Impact Investment at the University of New Hampshire's Carsey School of Public Policy.

He currently chairs the board of The Philadelphia Citizen, a new media startup devoted to solutions based journalism and consults on strategy for a variety of public, private, and civic institutions. A widely published author and columnist, he is the co-author with Bruce Katz of *The New Localism: How Cities Thrive in the Age of Populism*. Active in Philadelphia's civic life, he was the founding board chair of Mastery Charter Schools, a network of twenty inner city schools that has garnered national attention for student achievement. He was also the founding board chair of Alex's Lemonade Stand, a charity that has raised more than \$100 million in support of pediatric cancer research. Nowak is also a recipient of the Philadelphia Award, the city's highest civic honor.

Nowak testified in Congress in support of the Treasury Department's CDFI Fund; in support of the National Endowment for the Arts; and in support of the Obama Administration's healthy food initiative. He holds a B.A. degree in Philosophy from The Pennsylvania State University and a Ph.D. in cultural anthropology from the New School for Social Research, where his dissertation won the Alfred Schutz award for excellence. Nowak also holds honorary doctorates from Villanova University and La Salle University.



Daniel Stid
Director, the Madison Initiative at the Hewlett Foundation

Daniel Stid is Director of the Madison Initiative at the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation. The goal of the Initiative is to uphold the values, norms, and institutions of U.S. democracy – with a particular focus on Congress, the first branch of government—in our polarized age. From 2017 through 2021, the Madison Initiative will fund grants totaling \$100 million in support of this goal.

From 2006 through 2013, Daniel was a partner at The Bridgespan Group, the nonprofit consultancy, where he helped coordinate the organization’s work with federal, state, and local government agencies and advised nonprofit and foundation clients supporting vulnerable children and families. Between 1997 and 2005, Daniel worked as a management consultant at BCG, where he helped initiate BCG’s work with the U.S. government and advised private sector clients in the automotive, energy, and industrial goods sectors. Daniel began his career as a political scientist teaching at Wabash College and served as a Congressional Fellow on the staff of the House Majority Leader. He is the author of *The President as Statesman: Woodrow Wilson and the Constitution*.

A graduate of Hope College, he holds an MPhil in politics from Oxford University and a doctorate in government from Harvard University. He is a board member of Wellspring, a ministry based in Menlo Park, California, and volunteers as an instructor with the Prison University Project at San Quentin State Prison. Daniel is also proud to have been commissioned an honorary Kentucky Colonel for his service to the Commonwealth.

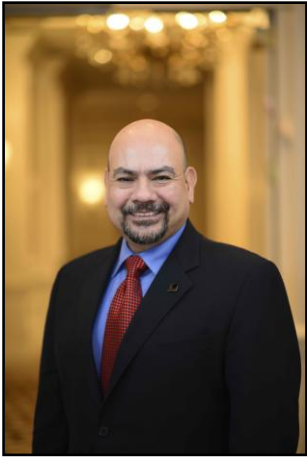


Kristen Cambell
Executive Director, PACE

Kristen Cambell is Executive Director of PACE (Philanthropy for Active Civic Engagement). PACE's mission is to inspire interest, understanding, and investment in civic engagement within philanthropy and to be a voice for philanthropy in larger conversations taking place in the fields of civic engagement, service, and democratic practice.

Previously, Kristen was an independent consultant, focusing primarily in civic engagement, education, and leadership. She was Chief Program Officer for the National Conference on Citizenship, where she served for 6 years, and prior to that, was a member of the social investment team at the Case Foundation. She originally launched her career in the nonprofit sector with a year of national service as an AmeriCorps*VISTA at the Points of Light Foundation. Kristen serves on the Alumni Council of The Fund for American Studies, and is on the advisory boards of several national nonprofits.

Kristen's hometown is Norman, Oklahoma, and she is a graduate of East Central University in Ada. She currently resides in the Washington, DC area.



Arturo Vargas
Executive Director, NALEO Educational Fund

Arturo Vargas is the Executive Director of the National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials, a national membership organization of Latino policymakers and their supporters governed by a 28-member Board of Directors. Arturo also serves as Executive Director of the NALEO Educational Fund, an affiliated national nonprofit organization that strengthens American democracy by promoting the full participation of Latinos in civic life. The NALEO Educational Fund's programmatic activities include U.S. citizenship outreach and assistance, civic participation and integration, voter engagement, technical assistance to elected and appointed Latino officials, research on Latino demographic and electoral trends, and policy analysis and advocacy on access to the democratic process. Headquartered in Los Angeles, the NALEO Educational Fund is governed by a 15-member Board of Directors, maintains offices in Houston, New York, Orlando and Washington, D.C., and has an annual budget of \$9 million.

Prior to joining NALEO, Arturo was Vice President for Community Education and Public Policy of the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund where he supervised and directed MALDEF's community education and leadership development programs. His prior positions at MALDEF included Director of Outreach and Policy where he coordinated the organization's 1991 redistricting efforts which led to an historic increase in the number of Latinos serving in the California legislature. Before that, Arturo directed MALDEF's National 1990 Census Program, an award-winning national outreach and public policy effort to promote a full count of the Latino population. Before joining MALDEF, Arturo was the senior education policy analyst at the National Council of La Raza in Washington, D.C.

Arturo is a nationally recognized expert in Latino demographic trends, electoral participation, voting rights, the Census, and redistricting.

He has served on numerous nonprofit and foundation boards and presently serves on the board of the Alliance for a Better Community and is an appointed member of the U.S. Census Bureau National Advisory Committee on Racial, Ethnic, and Other Populations. He previously served on the 2010 Census Advisory Committee, appointed by both Republican and Democratic U.S. Secretaries of Commerce, and on the 2001-2002 and 2011-2012 Los Angeles City Council Redistricting Commissions.

Arturo has received Hispanic Magazine's Hispanic Achievement Award for Community Service, National Federation of Hispanic Owned Newspapers' Leadership Award, National Association for Bilingual Education President's Award, City University of New York's Civic Leadership Award, Univision's Community Service *Corazon* Award, and National School Board Association's Hispanic Caucus *Abrazo* Award. He has been included in Hispanic Business Magazine's List of 100 Hispanic Influentials twice, and has been named one of the 101 most influential Latinos ten times by Latino Leaders Magazine.

Arturo holds a masters degree in Education and a bachelor's degree in History and Spanish from Stanford University. He is from Los Angeles, and was born in El Paso, Texas.



Kate Dewey
Senior Advisor, Cohen & Grigsby, P.C.

In 2013 Kate assumed the Presidency of The Forbes Funds (TFF) which is a supporting organization of The Pittsburgh Foundation. The Forbes Funds is dedicated to building the management capacity and impact of community-based nonprofits individually and collectively. In 2017 TFF provided in-depth assistance to over 300 organizations and trained well over 3000 individuals. The Forbes Funds was recognized in 2015 by The Independent Sector American Express Fellows as the leading example of organizations driving community innovation.

In January 2018 Kate stepped down from that post to spend more time with her family. She also joined the business law firm of Cohen & Grigsby to create an integrated legal, government affairs, facilitation and strategy development practice tailored to community based nonprofits. She has more than forty years of direct experience with a variety of nonprofit organizations, foundations, public agencies and corporations at the local, state and national level.

In recognition to her significant contribution to the sector, in 2017 she received a number of recognitions: Community Servant (The Pittsburgh Project), dedication of the Kate Dewey Community Service Award (The Jefferson Foundation) and Career Achievement in Innovation (Pittsburgh Business Times). She was the 2008 winner of the ATHENA Award in Pittsburgh which is recognized internationally as the premier honor for excellence in leadership among business, professional and community leaders, and the 1999 Recipient of the Greater Pittsburgh YWCA's Tribute to Women Award She has extensive board service experience and currently serves as a Trustee of the Shirley Jordan Foundation. She is a graduate of Leadership Pittsburgh.

Prior to joining TFF, Kate was the founding partner of Dewey & Kaye, Inc. in 1990 which was subsequently acquired by ParenteBeard LLC in 2011. Dewey & Kaye was the fifth oldest consulting practice in the United States dedicated to serving nonprofit organizations, foundations and government agencies. Previously Kate was Manager of Community Affairs for Mellon Bank Corporation. From 1985 until 1991, she served as the founding Executive Director of Grantmakers of Western Pennsylvania, an association dedicated to promoting effective philanthropy.

Before moving to Pittsburgh in 1982, Kate was a Principal in Semerad Associates of Washington, D.C., a consulting firm specializing in governmental affairs, planning and development services for nonprofits, school-to-work policy formulation and public/private ventures. She has also held a variety of additional posts in the public and private sectors, including serving as Executive Vice President of 7001 Ltd., President Ford's signature initiative which focused on strengthening school-to-work transition services for high-risk youth; Interstate Juvenile Probation and Parole Coordinator/Liaison to Juvenile Corrections and Mental Health for the State of New Jersey; and Director of Ambulatory and Residential Treatment Services for the New Jersey Division of Youth and Family Services. Under her leadership the first home for incarcerated mothers and their infants was opened in New Jersey in partnership with Clinton Correctional Facility.



Margot Rogers
Advisor, Leap Ambassadors Community

Margot is an advisor to the Leap Ambassadors Community and is based in Arlington Virginia. She has spent her career working on issues of education policy and practice and organizational development. Most recently, Margot spent six years at Parthenon, advising education-related entities on strategy, implementation and organizational development issues.

Prior to that, Margot served as Chief of Staff to U.S. Education Secretary, Arne Duncan. From 2004 to 2009, Margot had multiple roles at the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, including deputy director of Education and special assistant to the director of Education; she also served on the education division's investment committee and strategic leadership team. A lawyer by training, Margot spent six years as a legal services attorney at the Center for Law & Education, where her practice focused primarily on issues related to Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act.

She has served on numerous education-related boards and advisory commissions and is currently on the board of directors of The Joyce Foundation. Margot received a B.A. (history) from Emory University, where she was a Truman Scholar. She was a Rotary International Scholar at the University of Toronto and holds both a M.A.(history) and a J.D. from the University of Virginia.



Jeff Hamond
Vice President, VanScoyoc Associates

In 2011, Jeff Hamond recognized something few others did – that philanthropic organizations were not doing enough to tell their story in Washington. He felt so strongly about this, he left a senior economic policy position on Capitol Hill to develop and lead Van Scoyoc Associate’s Philanthropy Practice – the only one of its kind.

Today, as the field of philanthropy evolves quickly – with private foundations growing in policy influence, and also living donors, mission/impact investing, and social entrepreneurs playing an expanded role – Jeff is one of sector’s fiercest advocates. He understands the enormously important role philanthropy and not-for-profits have in American society and culture, and helps these organizations highlight their work for policymakers. As a Vice President at VSA, Jeff works directly with private and community foundations, and others in the philanthropic space, to share the good work they are doing in local communities, as well as educate lawmakers about the consequences of adverse policy decisions.

Before joining VSA, Jeff spent seven years as Economic Policy Director to Senator Charles Schumer (D-NY) and prior to that served in similar roles for Senators Kerry (D-MA) and Bayh (D-IN). Jeff also had leading roles in policy development at two well-regarded non-profit organizations – Redefining Progress and the Progressive Policy Institute.



Javier Alberto Soto
President and CEO, The Miami Foundation

Javier Alberto Soto is President and CEO of The Miami Foundation — a community foundation using civic leadership, community investment and philanthropy to improve quality of life in Greater Miami.

Javier has successfully transformed the Foundation's business model and positioned the organization as a prominent civic leader in the South Florida community. He has led the development of key Foundation projects including "The Our Miami Report," a biennial report providing a data-focused picture of

Greater Miami's quality of life, showing the community's greatest challenges and opportunities, and "Give Miami Day," a 24-hour, annual online charitable giving event that has raised more than \$35M for nearly 700 Miami-Dade County nonprofits since 2012.

Prior to joining the Foundation, Javier served as Senior Vice President and General Counsel at Grayling, a multi-disciplinary public affairs firm. He spent much of his career in the public sector as a litigator in the Miami-Dade County Attorney's Office; the County's Director of Intergovernmental Affairs; and as Chief of Staff to County Mayor Alex Penelas. Javier also worked as a litigation associate at Holland & Knight. He is active on a number of community and professional association boards including: Chairman of the Council on Foundations Board of Directors; Board of Directors for TotalBank; Board of Directors for America's Promise Alliance; Chairman of Knight Foundation's Miami Community Advisory Committee; and Member of the Orange Bowl Committee. Javier graduated cum laude in History and Political Science from Florida State University and earned his J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center. He is also a 2013 Henry Crown Fellow, a two-year leadership program of the Aspen Institute that engages the next generation of leaders to develop community-spirited leadership and put thought into action.



Grant Oliphant
President, The Heinz Endowments

Grant Oliphant is president of The Heinz Endowments. He rejoined the foundation in 2014, after serving as president and chief executive officer of The Pittsburgh Foundation for six years. For nearly two decades, Grant held several senior management posts with Heinz family foundations, including vice president for programs and planning at the Endowments, his position before taking over the helm at The Pittsburgh Foundation in 2008. He also served as press secretary to the late U.S. Sen. John Heinz from 1988 until the senator's death in 1991.

Grant was The Pittsburgh Foundation's fourth head in its 66-year history and led a major transformation in the organization's engagement of key constituents, its efficient stewardship of its assets, and the development of ground-breaking initiatives to enhance services for donors and maximize grantmaking impact in the regional community.

Grant frequently leads community conversations around critical issues such as public school reform, civic design, the ongoing sustainability of anchor institutions, domestic violence, riverfront development and various socio-economic concerns. He has taken a prominent role in building advocacy programs to support the work of local nonprofits and the families and individuals they serve. He serves extensively on the boards of local nonprofit and national sector organizations, including the Center for Effective Philanthropy, which he chairs.

Grant is a past board chairman of Riverlife, which works to transform Pittsburgh's riverfronts, as well as a board member of the Pittsburgh Cultural Trust, which oversees the city's celebrated Cultural District; The Allegheny Conference on Community Development; and the Pittsburgh Advisory Board of the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland.

In addition, Grant has served on the boards of Grantmakers Evaluation Network, Pennsylvania Partnership for Children, and the National Children's Book and Literacy Alliance, and as board chairman of the Communications Network, a nonprofit membership organization that promotes strategic use of communications as part of effective philanthropy.

Prior to his service as press secretary for Sen. Heinz, Grant was founding editor of *American Politics*, a monthly political magazine. Grant received a Master of Science degree in organizational development from Pepperdine University's Graziadio School of Business and a Bachelor of Arts from Swarthmore College. He lectures frequently on communications, leadership and organizational dynamics.



Conference Management Staff

**Amy Daly-Donovan, Conference Manager
Sherrie Chelini, Event Planner**



Amy Daly-Donovan
Principal and Owner, Daly-Donovan Consulting

Amy Daly-Donovan is an experienced and highly skilled consultant, facilitator, and trainer and is principal and owner of *Daly-Donovan Consulting*, a firm established in 1991 and specializing in helping individuals, teams, and organizations achieve their goals through increased capability. She has 25+ years experience in the Organization Development field and has expertise in the areas of team and organizational effectiveness, strategic and implementation planning, process improvement, and change management.

Ms. Daly-Donovan has successfully worked with executive and mid-level managers, boards of directors, and staff as both an internal and external consultant in the United States and internationally (Canada, China, Europe, Nigeria, Jamaica, India). A partial list of current and previous clients include:

Corporate: Baker Boyer Bank, Banfield Pet Hospitals, Costco, Genentech, Google, Hewlett-Packard, Janssen Pharmaceutical, Microsoft, Nike, Northwestern Mutual, Paula's Choice Skincare, Salesforce.com, Seattle Children's Hospital, Shutterfly, Inc., Virginia Mason Medical Center, Yahoo!.

Not-for-Profit: Bezos Family Foundation, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, Community Foundation Opportunity Network, Fred Hutchison Cancer Research Center, GAP Foundation, Larger Community Foundations, Program for Early Parent Support, Pratt Fine Arts Center, Whim W'him Dance Company.

Government/Public: Bellevue College, City of Seattle, NOAA, Seattle Central Community College, State of Washington, U.S. Navy.

Amy's expertise is in the design, development, and facilitation of small- and large-group workshops, meetings, conferences, and staff and board retreats. These focus on areas such as organization culture change, strategic planning, leadership/board development, conflict resolution, effective meeting management, and team effectiveness.

Ms. Daly-Donovan received her M.S. in Organization Development from The American University, and her B.A. in Management from Moravian College. She has been affiliated with VitalSmarts for over seventeen years as one of only 6 Senior Master Certified Trainers worldwide, facilitating the award-winning training programs ***Crucial Conversations, Crucial Accountability, and Influencer: The New Science of Leading Change***. She also holds certifications in Myers-Briggs Type Indicator (MBTI) and several other training programs.

She recently ended her 6-year term serving on the Board of Directors for WestSide Baby, a local service agency in Seattle that provides "the basics" for children and families in need, and she continues to participate via the Board Advisory Council. She served as PTSA President for Chief Sealth International High School and Pathfinder K-8 in Seattle Public Schools. She regularly provides pro-bono professional services and volunteer time to her children's schools and several local non-profit organizations.

Amy lives in Seattle with her husband Jim and has two children, Connor (23) and Shea (19).



Sherrie Chelini
Chelini Travels

Sherrie has more than twenty years of experience in the meeting planning and incentive travel business. Sherrie maintains a reputation for results-producing programs and cost-effective meeting and conference planning and implementation. She excels in working with clients to create unique and compelling travel programs all over the world that generate increase sales and achieve the goals of management.

She works with sales teams, mid and upper management and cross sectional teams. Her clients include radio and newspaper, health care, telecommunications, and food industry companies. The last few years Sherrie has been hired as the meeting consultant for different community foundation conferences including last year's Silicon Valley Community Foundation's

Innovation Conference and the upcoming FAOG Conference in Denver this September.

The past two years Sherrie has volunteered her services helping to coordinate the Farrah Fawcett Foundation Holiday Event held at the Museum of Flying in Santa Monica for families affected by cancer.

Ms. Chelini executes everything, from site and hotel selection to venue contracting, facilities logistics, pre-event promotion, registration, airline negotiations, housing management, event design and on-site coordination. She makes meetings or conferences operate smoothly and professionally, delivering just the right experience for all attendees. Working as her client's partner, Sherrie provides expertise in:

- Executive Retreats
- Management Meetings
- Sales Incentives
- 5-Star International Incentives

Sherrie has a Bachelor of Arts degree in Business Management from Seattle Pacific University. She is experienced in travel to Italy, Switzerland, France, Croatia, Portugal, United Kingdom, Turkey, Greece, Canada, Brazil, Argentina, Peru, Mexico, The Caribbean Islands, Australia, New Zealand, Tahiti, Fiji and all over the United States including Hawaii and Alaska.