



July 2011 Community Newsletter

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We are changing the way we communicate:

We will be relying almost wholly on electronic communication from now on: *email* and *our website*: hawaiicraftsmen.org

Please make sure we have your current email. If a member or interested party you know doesn't have access to a computer, please have him/her contact HC at 521-3282 to let us know the preferred mode of communication. We don't want to lose the support of a valuable member.

**Hawai'i
Craftsmen's**
*Volunteer, Working
Board of Directors*

DEADLINE for newsletter posts is the 20th of each month or near the date of the monthly board meeting. Please send in as finished and detailed a form as you can. Include all contact information and any links you may have. Images are welcome; ideal size is 100KB or 600 pixels wide. Indicate if you need a photo credit.

CALENDAR, updates, announcements

RAKU update



Aaron Oya, Lei Kaapana Aken and Ramon Camarillo

This year, Hawaii Craftsmen's Raku Ho'olaule'a almost never happened. But when budget cuts threatened, ceramic artists committed their time and resources to collectively re -think and fund the event, in conjunction with Hawaii Craftsmen.

"We started as an all-volunteer organization, and now we've returned to our roots," said board member and former Hawaii Craftsmen President Jackie Mild-Lau. "There was a real spirit of help this year, and everyone

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Board meetings are held on the *third* Wednesday of the month in the conference room at Linekona Art Center at 5:30. Members are welcome to attend.

The next Board meeting will be on Sunday, July 24th, at Kay Mura's house in Kailua. 4:30-6:30 with potluck to follow. If you're interested in attending, please email Kay (link above).

Who's doing what...

Annual Show:

Vicky Chock

2nd Saturday:

Pat Kramer

HC email:

Diane Chen KW

Grant writer:

Jackie Mild-Lau

Marks Garage liaison,

including The Window:

Maya Portner

contributed what they could."

Seven groups attended the 2011 event, with members from the University of Hawaii, Windward and Leeward Community Colleges, Hawaii Potters' Guild, Jeff Chang Pottery, the Honolulu Academy of Arts and other independent studios. Each group funded their own fuel, food, transportation and equipment costs to continue what has become a tradition in Hawaii's art scene.

"Raku provides one of the best opportunities for sustaining the sense of community among the many individuals and groups that make up Hawaii Craftsmen," said HC president, Kay Mura. "For many of us, this is the one time we get to see each other throughout the year." Hawaii's ceramic artists agreed; this unique opportunity to share in the creative experience was worth continuing.



Urasenke volunteers serve tea at the opening reception



Raku chair Jackie Mild Lau and Lauren Jo, Ginny McGaraghan Award winner

Despite the challenges, Hawaii's artists prevailed. Once again, Raku Ho'olaule'a produced exceptional work, memorable moments and friendships renewed. Organizers are already planning the 2012 event, with a focus on cutting cost and changing venues. "It's part of our survival," said board member Jackie Mild-Lau. "As artists, we need to grow and change with the times, just like Hawaii Craftsmen. This year's raku event has become a model for our whole organization." In the meantime, the artists of Hawaii Craftsmen will continue to build on their current successes, and look forward to maintaining an active community in the islands by preserving local traditions and events as vehicles for future artistic progression.

-- Dustin Miyakawa

Slow Art Friday



Moving the Raku Community Kiln to Slow Art Friday right in front of Marks came as a result of the collective decision of the Raku groups and there was a bit of anxiety about the move. But it proved to be a real winner. A diverse and happy crowd of people, eager to try their hand arrived in a steady stream all afternoon and into the evening.

Membership:

Barbara Bohnett

Newsletter:

Esther Shimazu, Dustin Miyakawa

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ONLINE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

Knowing who fellow Craftsmen are is a valuable asset of membership.

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Scenes from Slow Art Friday: Kent, John and Bryce, the WCC Firing Squad Audrey; Cindy and Paula unpacking bisque bowls; Deciding on a teabowl; Chad and Lauren help clean the fired, reduced bowls; Glazing teabowls and firing into the night (photos by Jerome Heck)

The flames and smoke provided an exciting show and a little drama -- real street theater!

Thanks again to artists coming together, and some generous coverage by Star Advertiser reporters Joleen Oshiro and Steven Mark; intrepid photographer Dennis Oda and Hawaii Public Radio's Noe Tanigawa.

In addition to the great community outreach this event provided, it also turned out to be a good fund-raiser for HC. \$5 tea bowls, t-shirts and sake cups were hot sellers and it drew people into the exhibit to see the show as well as to bid on the

silent auction of donated work. Kudos to Jackie Mild-Lau, chair, and all the hard-working raku folks. Thanks for doing a great job!

Check out:

The Star Advertiser article

http://www.staradvertiser.com/feature/20110612_Playing_with_fire.html

Jerome Heck's video of Community Kiln

<http://gallery.mac.com/jeromeheck#100201>

===== **SECOND SATURDAY, September 10, 2011**

Museum hours 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.; HC activity time TBA

- *"Do your thing"*, it's interesting for audiences

- Interactive demos are great to get people involved with various media

- Join up with other artists or groups and HC will support the project with whatever resources are available

Get in touch with chair, *Pat Kramer*, with your ideas:

patkramer@hawaii.rr.com

This event is sponsored by HiSAM (Hawaii State Art Museum) and is put on by volunteers to promote the arts. HC participates with hands-on activities in various media and is fun for both attendees and artists.

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The WINDOW
at The ARTS at
Mark's Garage

July Exhibition:
Michele Rosenblum

Next Month:
Makua Ali'is
Community Ceramic
Group

Click Here for more
information: [The
Window in 2011](#)

WANT TO HELP?

Look at the *side bar* **Who's doing what** to see who has already begun to undertake tasks on our behalf. They'd be very happy to have help! **Many hands make light work and staves off burn-out, besides.** Be someone on the inside, in the know, a mover and shaker....

Raku went very well in spite of the many changes and scary weather this year because of all of you who stepped up to make it happen.

Next up is the **Statewide Annual Exhibition, Sept. 29 - Oct 14**. The juror will be **Allison Wong**, executive director of the Contemporary Museum. The prospectus will be out in August.

Intake and Lecture Dates:

September 8th: Kauai

September 9th: Maui

September 17th: Big Island

September 25th: Oahu

This year, we are scheduling the NI dates earlier to give more time for shipping.

A partial list of what volunteers we will need:

At each location on **Neighbor Islands** --

publicity and coordinating

intake

jurying

juror reception

juror assistance

database entry

photographic recording of accepted works and

shipping labeling and return of unaccepted works

In addition, on **Oahu**, we will need help for the above as well as --

painting stands, etc

installation**

Neighbor Island unpacking and packing

opening reception

exhibition photography

sitting the show

take down of the exhibition

transportation and return shipping of Neighbor Island work

Think about it...work with and get to know your fellow HC members, help make this happen and see first hand how an exhibition comes together. It might even be **FUN!** Contact the chair, **Vicky Chock**.

** This year, **Stephanie Ross**, from the Big Island, will be in charge of installing the ASJE -- another step toward becoming a real *statewide organization*. Here's a chance to know her better by volunteering to help with the installation.

2nd Saturday. We need volunteers in all media. Come share your passion, show what you can do. See above for more into.

Fundraising

How are you at teamwork and problem solving? Have you applied for and gotten grants? Do you like people? Can you throw a party? HC needs your help. Plans are forming for an auction/dinner event.

Publicity

Are you good at finding and keeping contacts and networking? Meeting deadlines? Writing snappy press releases? Be someone who helps get the

Quick Links

Hawaii Craftsmen

Honolulu Academy of
Arts

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TCM

AmericanStyle

CODA

word out about what we're doing to radio, TV, newspapers, periodicals and the largely under-utilized social media so we can all get the most out of our events.

Publication Design

Someone who can oversee the production of our catalogs, prospectuses and other communications so they can be clear, consistent and on time. It would be great to have a pool of people to call on. Got a good eye and some desktop publishing skills?

Newsletter

Help! There ain't no journalistic staff here. If you know of something of interest to or about HC members, please send in short articles and images! Especially about media other than clay and on islands other than Oahu.

MEMBERS' FORUM

This is YOUR space to let others know what you're thinking.

Message from the Prez ~

2011 started c/jf with a lot of trepidation for Hawaii Craftsmen. Losing our funding for our Executive Director left us scrambling to try to resuscitate the original HC all-volunteer organization and as much as anything, its spirit. We're half way through the year now and we've managed to maintain our programs and are making changes that will update how HC does business by transitioning into the digital age. The many efforts of your all-volunteer board are directed at making the HC community stronger.

It is that sense of community that was so apparent during the recent Raku Ho'olaulea. Working and playing together strengthen our social bonds but offer opportunities for a broad exchange of information and ideas - part of the mission of Hawaii Craftsmen. So as the year continues, I hope that members begin to see that volunteering and working for HC gets you more connected to the greater craft network. Letting someone else do it seems easier but you're also missing out on the connections and opportunities that working together create.

As President, one of my goals is to broaden the involvement of members in HC activities and hope that each of our members will feel more invested in HC. So I hope that when you're asked to contribute in any way, that you say, "yes", because it will benefit you as much as it does the organization. Hawaii Craftsmen is what each of us brings to it.

Aloha, Kay Mura



MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



In the recent Handweavers exhibition at Linekona, **Liz Train** received a State Foundation award, **Jackie Mild Lau** the Kenjo Award and **Diana Tusher** the Handweavers Guild of America Award.

Woven and felted tapestry by Liz Train
(photo by Jackie Mild Lau).

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So far this year, Big Island ceramic artist **Amber Aguirre** has presented a demo at the California Conference for the Advancement of Ceramic Arts in Davis, California; spent a month at a residency at the International Ceramics Studio in Kecskemet, Hungary and gotten two pieces into the 22nd Viridian Artists Gallery Exhibition in NYC, juried by Whitney Museum Curator Elisabeth Sussman. In September, she'll teach a workshop at the Donkey Mill in Kona.

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Thanks to **Ramon Camarillo**, we were blessed with fantastic live music at the beach during the recent Raku Ho'olaule'a by musicians Aaron Oya, Lei Kaapana Aken, Larry Spalding, Kawika Modero, Jesus Quinones Lanzo and Joel Veach. He arranged for the musicians, the equipment and thank-you gifts! Thank you, Ramon.

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Jerome Heck, one of the featured artists (ceramics) for the HC 2011 Statewide Annual Juried Exhibition, will be in booth number #61 at the Fourteenth Annual Haleiwa Arts Festival held at the Haleiwa Beach Park on 16 & 17 July 2011. Jerome has exhibited in all of the Haleiwa Arts Festivals since the first event was held in the summer of 1998.



For more information please go

to <http://www.haleiwaartsfestival.org/index.shtml>

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Francisco Clemente will be featured artist in wood for the 2011 Statewide Annual Juried Exhibition

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HC President, **Kay Mura**, will be giving the ArtLunch presentation from 12 noon to 1 pm on Tuesday, July 26. The talk will be about her large-scale outdoor Storyteller



sculptures at Kapalama School in Honolulu and Rosa Parks Elementary School in San Diego, CA. She will go through the process from conception to completion with slides of the structure, techniques and materials used in the construction of both sculptures.

ArtLunch is a free noontime art appreciation lecture program and has featured many HC members. (HC member Susan Hogan is the Museum Educator.) This lecture series takes place on the last Tuesday of the month and has been designed with Honolulu's downtown

business community in mind and is open to everyone. All talks begin promptly at noon and are held in the museum's Multipurpose Room on the first floor of the historic No. 1 Capitol District building located at 250 South Hotel Street.

For more information, call 586-0900.

<http://www.hawaiistateartmuseum.org/>

THE BULLETIN BOARD

This space will be devoted to craft supplies and equipment for sale/trade/free, available studio space to share/rent and other practical/helpful information for HC members.

We will post notices of *studio/art/craft sales* in the Bulletin Board as long as one participant is an HC member (who will be identified). *No graphics, art, etc. will be featured but we can publish a link if a url is provided.*

Submit to: newsletter@hawaiicraftsmen.org

Deadline is 20th of each month for the following month's newsletter.

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I'd like to volunteer in assisting members photograph their art work for future / current shows. Since the craftsmen show might be electronic someday and many juried competitions feature entering my photographs

I'm happy to volunteer to share about making photographs of your artwork. I'm in Japan now but at some point I'll be returning to the islands.

cheers,

Cory Lum

<http://www.corylumphoto.com/>

corylum@hotmail.com

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i am interested in finding a space to work in metals.

i would be most interested in sharing a space, in metro honolulu would best suit my needs: but open to any suggestions if an inexpensive space is not available.

mahalo

gene

genep@umich.edu

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FOR SALE:

Gently used 1992 Paragon Electric Kiln, 2.95 cu ft capacity
Model TNF-82-3 (240 VAC) with DTC-100 Controller

Furniture Kit

- 2 #181 Full shelves
- 4 #181H Half shelves
- 4 Ea 1-1/2 Sq" Posts, 1", 2", 3", 4", 5", 6"

Orton Kiln Vent System II

Price negotiable.

Contact: Chiemi Favinger, chiemi.favinger@gmail.com

U.H. CONNECTIONS

We'd like to welcome the newest member of the HC Board of Directors, **Chad Steve**, MFA candidate in the University of Hawaii Ceramics Department. Chad will be one of the student liaisons and provide the view point of the younger generation. His presence will help broaden the HC base -- a goal of the present Board of Directors.



*Chad working at the community kiln on Slow Friday
(photo by Jerome Heck).*

UH artists and writers will be featured in an article by Dustin Miyakawa in Hawaii Art Magazine and the Ka'Leo student journal for their participation at Raku Ho'olaule'a.

Congratulations to Lauren Jo, who won the Ginny McGaraghan Award of Excellence for her fossil-based sculpture.

[HI Art Magazine: Raku Ho'olaule'a 2011](#)

NEIGHBOR ISLAND NEWS

News from/about the neighbor islands will be featured here. Deadline for submissions is the 20th of each month to newsletter@hawaiicraftsmen.org

In the interest of serving the neighbor islands better and to address the perpetual question, "How does HC membership benefit me when I don't live on Oahu?", we are changing the way we do Aha Hana Lima in 2012. At the request of neighbor island board members, the full HC board has decided to extend the 'Aha workshops to the Neighbor Islands with the same 3 day, full workshop format as Oahu. We've yet to hear from one artist but so far the other 2 are willing to do 2 workshops in Hawaii.

To cover honorarium, per diem and transportation costs for the guest artist, we will need, at the very least, 5 paid participants and someone on the ground who will coordinate and host the guest artist. We can't pay as well so we make up for it with gorgeous locations and lots of aloha!

There are still some kinks to iron out in executing this but the board has made a commitment to serve the neighbor islands and so it will be up to HC members out there to come through and support our efforts. Needless to say, it needs to fly in 2012, if it's to continue.

With this, we will be taking 2 (ASJE and Aha) of our 3 major *annual* programs out beyond Oahu. We will keep you updated and by next month, we hope to have schedules, contracts signed, etc.

ARTIST OPPORTUNITIES

The Window at Marks Garage

HC's mini-gallery is now booked completely for 2011 and is now taking reservations for 2012. Open to all members, all media, to display and sell. Please see side bar.



--Photo by Jerome Heck

Hook the Reef: The Hawai'i Hyperbolic Crochet Coral Reef was the June exhibit in The Window. This delightful exhibit was part of a worldwide project to bring up awareness of the importance of the reefs as a resource for the entire planet.

Scholarship for Beaders

[VIEW MORE INFO](#)

Entry Deadline: August 15, 2011 11:59pm (MST)

The Revere Academy's Scholarship for Beaders was founded to provide an opportunity for new students, working with beads in their jewelry, to attend the Academy. Scholarship includes tuition for any regular 3-day class, \$50 administration fee, up to \$100 in kit fees, plus transportation and lodging in San Francisco. Eligibility: Must be a new student to the Revere Academy, currently making jewelry using beads, and reside in the U.S.A.

Penland Core Fellowships

A work/study fellowship offers students an opportunity to participate in classes and be part of the venerable Penland School of Crafts community in Penland, N. Carolina. Core students are employees with compensation consisting of a modest stipend, room, board, and tuition. Core students are chosen for one to two years, continuing on to a second year after a positive review at the end of the first. There will be four openings in the program for 2011.

Applications must be postmarked no later than Friday, September 16, 2011.

http://penland.org/programs/core_fellowship.html

33rd Annual Japanese Chamber of Commerce_ **"Commitment to Excellence" Juried Art Exhibition**

- Exhibition Dates: Tues., Aug. 23 - Thurs., Sept. 1, 2011
- Location: Academy Art Center at Linekona
- Entry Specifications:
 - 2-D works must be no larger than 5'x7' (height x width).
 - 3-D works must be no larger than 6'x6'x6' (height x width x depth).

*Click [here](#) for the 2011 Exhibition Prospectus. For more information, please feel free to call Nicole at (808) 949-5531 x3.

2012 NCECA Call for Submissions

Invitational Exhibition "Push Play"

The Bellevue Arts Museum, January 19 to June 17, 2012

Deadline: July 5, 2011, Fee: \$10 members, \$25 non-members

The NCECA Invitational is a themed, curated exhibition. A foundation group of works is selected by invitation; additional artists are invited to submit images that support the theme for consideration. This format brings established reputations and emerging talent to bear on the selected theme of "Play" and adds vitality and fresh perspectives to an ongoing dialogue. A color catalogue documents the exhibition and contains artist statements, pertinent essays and color images of the art. Curated and organized by NCECA Exhibitions Director, Linda Ganstrom.

[More information and application](#)

In Memoriam



Claudia Coonen, 1951-2011



Maui artist and past HC board member Claudia Coonen died peacefully on June 13th at home. Working in textiles, clothing, printmaking, basketry, photography and bromeliads, she was active with the Maui Crafts Guild and Hui Noeau as well. Much loved for her warm heart, ready laugh and adventurous spirit, she will be greatly missed.

Claudia at her 60th birthday bash celebrated at Hui No'euau on April 23rd of this year.

CRAFT ORGANIZATIONS and support

If you want your organization listed, please email your name and url to newsletter@hawaiicraftsmen.org so we can link with your web page.

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