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hi hello!

I am a recent graduate from the New Media Arts program at Kap'iolani Community College. I enjoy both independent and team projects, and I hold myself accountable to produce work at a high standard. While I am fascinated by UI design, illustration, and visual identity, I truly enjoy staying openminded and embracing lifelong learning.

DISTINCTIONS

Pele Awards Gold & Bronze Recipient

AAF District 13 2023, 2024

John Young Scholarship

Kapi'olani Community College 2023

A&H Achievement Award

Kapi'olani Community College Spring 2023, Fall 2023, Spring 2024

Wähine Freelance Alliance Scholarship

Wāhine Freelance Alliance Summer Cohort 2022

PUBLICATIONS

Country Tile 1 & Country Tile 2

Lē'ahi Magazine Spring 2023

VOLUNTEER WORK

Mentor

Surfrider Spirit Sessions Spring Session, March 2019

Mentor

Common Grace September 2015-May 2019

EXPERIENCE

Sae Design Group Intern, October 2023–March 2024

Sae Design Group

Collaboratively designed visual assets for clients such as logos, rack cards, illustrations and ensured alignment to brand guidelines

Special Plans Branch Intern, June 2023-present

State of Hawai'i Office of Planning & Sustainable Development
Directed organization-wide efforts in collateral design, branding, and
logo development

STEM Media & Outreach Assistant, March 2023–May 2023

Kapi'olani Community College

Led an independent project to design the website for the Undergraduate Research Program, managing all aspects of the project from inception to delivery

Creative Communications & Grant Writer, 2015–2021

Common Grace

Created diverse content across digital and print platforms, led projects, and aided in event planning

EDUCATION

Kapi'olani Community College

Associate in New Media Arts
Specializing in Interface Design
May 2024

University of Hawai'i at Mānoa

Bacehlor in English
Dean's List
May 2015

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programs

Figma, Wordpress, Wix, Weebly

Technologies

Illustrator, InDesign, Photoshop, Premiere Pro, Adobe After Effects, Basic Understanding of HTML/CSS

Other

Illustration, Typography, Color Theory, Writing, Communication Teamwork, Problem-Solving, Adaptability, Open-Mindedness