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EDUCATION

Kapi'olani Community College Expected Graduation: May 2024 Associate in New Media Arts

Specializing in Interface Design

University of Hawai'i at Mānoa May 2015

Bachelor in English Dean's List, 2014

DISTINCTIONS

Pele Awards Gold & Bronze Finalist NMG Network

2023

John Young Scholarship

Kapi'olani Community College Spring 2023

Arts & Humanities Achievement Award

Kapi'olani Community College Spring 2023

Wāhine Freelance Alliance Scholarship

Wāhine Freelance Alliance Summer Cohort 2022

VOLUNTEER WORK

Mentor

Surfrider Spirit Sessions Spring Session, March 2019

Mentor

Common Grace September 2015 – May 2019

REFERENCES

Available upon request

Hi, hello!

Dedicated graphic design student eager to learn from the field. Enjoys both independent and team projects, and motivated to produce work at a high standard. Interested in UI design, illustration, and visual identity, but open to learning anything and everything.

RELATED EXPERIENCE

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

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programs

Figma, Wordpress, Wix, Weebly

Technologies

- Adobe Software: Illustrator, InDesign, Photoshop, Premiere Pro, Adobe After Effects
- Basic understanding of HTML/CSS

Other

 Illustrations, Typography, Color Theory, Writing, Communication, Teamwork, Problem-Solving

PUBLICATIONS

"Country Style Tile 1" & "Country Style Tile 2" Lēahi Magazine, Spring 2023