

STATE FOUNDATION ON CULTURE AND THE ARTS

SFCA Board of Commissioners Meeting

Time: January 9, 11:00 am HST

Physical Meeting Location:

250 South Hotel Street, Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Multipurpose Resource Room, First Floor

MINUTES

Members Present

Janet Sato, Maui, Randall Fujiki, At-Large; Marcia Roberts-Deutsch, At-Large; Kill Kuramoto, A-Large, Randall Francisco, Kauai. Susana Browne, At-Large, Sean Connelly, At-Large

Member Absent

Konrad Ng, Chairperson, Michael Marshall, At-Large

SFCA Staff Present

Karen Ewald, Executive Director; Elizabeth Baxter, Curator, Kamakani Konia, Art in Public Places Director, Kathleen Bejado, Registrar

Others Present

Representative Jeanne Kapela

1. Call to Order

Susana Browne Chair of the Administrative Committee called the meeting to order at 11:02 am

2. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum

Susana Browne called the determination of quorum. All Commissioners were present, except for Michael Marshall.

3. Approval of Minutes of the Previous Meeting held on November 21, 2025

A change to the minutes was made to include Commissioner Jill Kuramoto as present for the meeting. A motion to approve the Minutes of the last General Board committee meeting held on January 9, 2026 as amended was made by Marcia Roberts-Deutsch and seconded by Janet Sato. The motion to approve the minutes was approved unanimously at 11:12 am.

4. Public Testimony on Agendized Items

Susana Browne called for any public testimony. There were none at 11:15 am.

5. Director's Report – Performing Arts Grants Program and Administrative Rules Establishment

Karen Ewald reported on the efforts to establish new Administrative Rules to administer the funds for the Performing Arts Grants Program. SFCA's draft of administrative rules is under review with DAGS ASO and is working with the AG office on language and is currently in the early stages of establishing the Performing Arts Grants Program. Efforts to date have focused on defining the scope of the program, identifying legal requirements, and preparing for the administrative rules process. Future timelines will depend on the completion of the rulemaking process and required approvals. There was discussion from the board on other options to possibly ensure that the Grants program would be executed in a timely manner.

6. Approval of Gift/Purchase Recommendations for the Art in Public Places Collection

Hawaii Handweavers' Hui, Downtown Art Center, "Wondrous Light: Aurora Borealis," juried exhibition (July 7, 2025 - July 27, 2025)

AASC VACS: Elana Bernnard, Maile Yawata
SFCA COMM: Marcia Morse
SFCA: Eli Baxter, Shirley Lam
MCNERTHNEY, Sheri. 6061-26 "Solar Windsong"
handwoven ondule, 2025, 134 x 36"
\$7,200.00

The motion to approve the purchases was motioned by Marcia Morse and seconded by Randall Francisco. The motion was unanimously approved by the full board.

Windward Community College Gallery 'Iolani, "KULEANA," curated exhibition (August 29, 2025 - December 12, 2025)

AASC VACS: Sean Browne, Katherine Love
SFCA COMM: Randy Fujiki
SFCA: Kamakani Konia, Eli Baxter
TAUM, Cory Kamehanaokalā Holt. 6077-26 "Pā Pua‘a a Kāne"
acrylic, aerosol, 2016, 23 x 26"
\$5,000.00
KĀNE, Linda. 6078-26 "Ola I ka Wai"
charcoal drawing + sign, 2025, drawing: 42 x 54" sign: 46 x 40 x 48"
\$5,200.00

TOTAL \$ 10,200.00

The motion to approve the purchases was motioned by Randall Fujiki and seconded by Sean Connelly . The motion was unanimously approved by the full board.

University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa, The Art Gallery, "Interisland - New Paintings from New York & Hawai‘i," curated exhibition (August 31, 2025 - December 7, 2025)

AASC VACS: Deborah Nehmad, Gaye Chan
SFCA COMM: Randy Fujiki
SFCA: Kamakani Konia, Eli Baxter

1. ANDERSON, Cody. 6081-26 "H1 and H2 Merge East BD, 10/24/2012, 13:21:09"
Watercolor on paper in artist-made integral frame, 2025, 4.5 x 5.75"
\$1,120.00
 2. CAMACHO, Florani. 6082-26 "Mothers-Ilaw ng Tahanan"
oil on wood panel, 2025, 24 x 36"
\$2,000.00
 3. TAUM, Cory Kamehanaokalā Holt. 6084-26 "Ka ‘owē nahenahe a ka wai"
acrylic and aerosol on cradled wood canvas, 2025, 30 x 30"
\$2,000.00
- TOTAL \$5120.00

The motion to approve the purchases was motioned by Janet Sato and seconded by Marcia Roberts Deustch . The motion was unanimously approved by the full board.

Leeward Community College, Hoikeakea Gallery, "My Monumental Summer Live, Love, Paint: Summer Edition," curated exhibition (August 30, 2025 - November 15, 2025)

- AASC VACS: Liz Train, Emily McIlroy
SFCA COMM: Randy Fujiki
SFCA: Kamakani Konia, Eli Baxter
1. GOTO, Kris. 6085-26 "Pot Diver and Pot Diver - Thrive!"
diptych: pencil and pen on bristol paper, 2024, 10 x 8" each (x 2)
\$800.00
 2. WADSWORTH, Kate. 6086-26 "Hot Topic"

latex and acrylic paint on stretched canvas, 2025, 66.5 x 141"

\$20,000.00

TOTAL \$20,800.00

The motion to approve the purchases was motioned by Randall Fujiki and seconded by Janet Sato . The motion was unanimously approved by the full board.

Hui No'eau Visual Arts Center, "Mālama Wao Akua," juried exhibition (September 12, 2025 - November 7, 2025)

AASC VACS: Michael Takemoto, Paul Janes-Browne, Joelle C. Perz

SFCA COMM: Jan Sato, Susana Browne

SFCA: Eli Baxter

1. JERNAILL, J. 6091-26 "Let Me Grow"

mixed media, 2025, 5.5 x 11.75 x 11.75"

\$1,200.00

2. ZENDER, Mars. 6092-26 "Wild Goose Chase"

reduction linoleum print, 2025, 15 x 15"

\$700.00

3. MAKUA, Lanakila. 6093-26 "Anuheā"

oil on canvas, 2025, 36 x 48"

\$13,000.00

TOTAL \$14,900.00

The motion to approve the purchases was motioned by Marcia Roberts Deustch and seconded by Jill Kuramoto . The motion was unanimously approved by the full board.

Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation Commission, Capitol Modern, "Kaiāulu: Rising Together," curated and juried exhibition (October 3, 2025 - October 31, 2025)

SFCA VACS: Tom Klobe, Susan Hogan, Sean Browne

SFCA: Kamakani Konia, Eli Baxter

1. VOSS, Erin. 6100-26 "Wailupe Watershed"

digital print, 2025, 84 x 36"

\$1,500.00

2. VOSS, Erin. 6101-26 "Niu Watershed"

digital print, 2025, 84 x 36"

\$1,500.00

TOTAL \$3,000.00

The motion to approve the purchases was motioned by Randall Francisco and seconded by Marcia Roberts Deustch . The motion was unanimously approved by the full board.

Downtown Art Center, "River to Richards Documentary Photography in Hawai'i 2025," juried exhibition (November 6, 2025 - November 29, 2025)

AASC VACS: Susan Hogan, Emily McIlroy, Liz Train

SFCA: Kamakani Konia, Elizabeth Baxter

1. KELLY, Kate. 6108-26 "Lei Seller, Aloha Tower"

photography, c. 1930, 10 x 8"

\$450.00

2. KELLY, Kate. 6109-26 "Man Selling Lei"

photography, c. 1930, 10 x 8"

\$450.00

3. KELLY, Kate. 6110-26 "Two Men Selling Lei"

photography, c. 1930, 8 x 10"

\$450.00

4. KELLY, Kate. 6111-26 "Woman Lei Makers at Aloha Tower"

photography, c. 1930, 8 x 10"

\$450.00

5. KELLY, Kate. 6112-26 "Family Selling Lei at Aloha Tower"
photography, c. 1930, 8 x 10"
\$450.00
 6. KELLY, Kate. 6113-26 "Two Young Girls Selling Lei"
photography, c. 1930, 10 x 8"
\$450.00
 7. CONSILLIO, Anthony. 6114.01 "Three"
photography, 2025, 28 x 21"
\$800.00
 8. CONSILLIO, Anthony. 6114.02 "KEEP DOOR CLOSED"
photography, 2025, 21 x 28"
\$800.00
 9. CONSILLIO, Anthony. 6114.03 "Scarlet"
photography, 2025, 28 x 21"
\$800.00
 10. WOLFF, Howard J. 6115-26 "Streetscape"
Photography, 2017, 15 x 15"
\$475.00
 11. YOUNG, Terrence. 6116-26 "Aloha Matson"
inkjet print, 2006, 12 x 17"
\$200.00
- TOTAL \$5,775.00

The motion to approve the purchases was motioned by Marcia Roberts Deustch and seconded by Jill Kuramoto . The motion was unanimously approved by the full board.

6. Approval of the Visitation Schedule for Recommendations for Art Acquisition Selection Committees

1. Exhibition Title:

Manini Collective Group Exhibition

Exhibition Date:

2026-03-06 - 2026-03-15

2. Exhibition Title:

Edwin Kayton and Brook Parker

Exhibition Date:

2026-03-14 - 2026-04-12

Simperman and Suli T. Go Galleries at Kahilu Theatre, Hawai'i Island

3. Exhibition Title:

Honolulu Printmakers 98th Annual Juried Printmaking Exhibition

Exhibition Date:

2026-04-03 - 2026-04-25

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4. Exhibition Title:

Style

Exhibition Date:

2026-04-04 - 2026-07-04

Bishop Square, Pauahi Tower

5. Exhibition Title:

36 Views of Mauna Loa (Phase I)

Exhibition Date:

2026-04-04 - 2026-06-12

6. Exhibition Title:

islandwide

Exhibition Date:

2026-04-04 - 2026-04-25

Aupuni Space

7. Exhibition Title:

Dancing on the Edge of the Witch's Cauldron

Exhibition Date:

2026-04-30 - 2026-05-30

Downtown Art Center

The motion to approve the visitation schedule was motioned by Randall Francisco and seconded by Janet Sato .
The motion was unanimously approved by the full board.

7. Wahiawa Civic Center Commissioned Work of Art Contract Amendment

Kamakani Konia presented to the board the request for approval for a contract amendment to increase the payment for the Wahiawa Civic Center commissioned work of art. After completing the mobilization phase of the project, artist Leroy Transfield collected estimates and quotes for materials, construction costs, and logistical services necessary to complete the commission. These collective costs amount to \$99,800.00, resulting in a new project budget of \$249,800.

The motion to approve the contract amendment was motioned by Randall Francisco and seconded by Marcia Roberts Deustch. The motion was unanimously approved by the full board.

8. Non-State Loan Request – Downtown Art Center

Kathleen Bejado presented to the board for approval, a non-state loan request. The work of art by artist Pat Hickman was removed from the request – there are six works of art requested to show at Downtown Art Center. Artworks by the following artists: Allyn Bromley, Sally French, Russell Sunabe and Carol Yotsuda.

The motion to approve the purchases was motioned by Marcia Roberts Deutsch and seconded by Randall Fujiki. The motion was unanimously approved by the full board.

9. Executive Session

The motion to approve the board to enter into Executive Session to discuss the Evaluation of the Executive Director as well as the legal issues regarding the establishment of new Administrative Rules was motioned by Randall Fujiki and seconded by Marcia Roberts Deustch. The board entered into Executive Session with the Deputy Attorney Generals at 11:56 am

10. Announcements

The process to conduct an evaluation of the Executive Director was explained. Commissioner Susan Browne stated that the results of the evaluation would be shared with the Executive Director after the March board meeting.

There was an announcement on the Scholastic Art Awards Ceremony which will take place on Saturday September 28.

11. Adjournment

The motion to adjourn was motioned by Janet Sato and Seconded by Randall Francisco. The meeting adjourned at 12:45 pm