

**STATE FOUNDATION ON CULTURE AND THE ARTS**

**Friday, May 15, 2026**

**11:00 am**

**DRAFT MINUTES**

**Members Present**

Konrad Ng, Chairperson, Janet Sato, Maui, Randall Fujiki, At-Large; Marcia Roberts-Deutsch, At-Large; Randall Francisco, Kauai, Susana Browne, At-Large

**Member Absent**

Michael Marshall, Hawaii Island, Sean Connelly, At-Large

**SFCA Staff Present**

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

**Others Present**

Ian Robertson, Deputy Attorney General; Charles Lee, Deputy Attorney General

**1. Call to Order**

Konrad Ng, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 11:07 am

**2. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum**

Karen Ewald called the determination of quorum. All Commissioners were present, except for Michael Marshall and Sean Connelly.

**3. Approval of March 6, 2026 Meeting Minutes**

A motion to approve the Minutes of the last General Board committee meeting held on March 6, 2026 as amended was made by Robert Francisco and seconded by Randall Fujiki. The motion to approve the minutes was approved unanimously.

**4. Public Testimony on Agendized Items**

Konrad Ng called for any public testimony. There were no public testimonies.

**5. Executive Director Report Legislative Session; Strategic Plan, Personnel and Art in Public Places Survey Initiative, Commission Changes, and Commission Committee Updates**

Karen Ewald presented the Executive Directors report, detailing the above agendized items. Discussion on above items will be available on the June 8, 2026 General Meeting.

**6. Approval of the fiscal year 2027 Community Arts Grant Recommendations**

Konrad Ng stated that this agenda item would be moved to the June 8, 2026 General Meeting which would include a detailed agenda and supporting documents when posted on the State Calendar.

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

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

Submitted requests:

**1. Exhibition Title:**

AHA! Art Immersion

**Exhibition Opening Date:**

2026-07-03

**Exhibition Closing Date:**

2026-08-05

**Location of Exhibition:**

Wailoa Art Center

**2. Exhibition Title:**

Portal 3

**Exhibition Opening Date:**

2026-08-01

**Exhibition Closing Date:**

2026-09-27

**Location of Exhibition:**

Firehouse Gallery at the Waimea Arts Council

67-1201 Mamalahoa Highway

Kamuela, HI 96743

**3. Exhibition Title:**

LUMINOSITY - The Legacy

**Exhibition Opening Date:**

2026-08-02

**Exhibition Closing Date:**

2026-10-31

**Location of Exhibition:**

Viewpoints Gallery in Makawao, Maui

**4. Exhibition Title:**

Na Lā'au o Hawai'i: Hawaii's Woodshow 2026

**Exhibition Opening Date:**

2026-08-07

**Exhibition Closing Date:**

2026-08-29

**Location of Exhibition:**

Downtown Art Center

1041 Nu'uuanu, Honolulu, HI

**5. Exhibition Title:**

16th Annual Abstract Only!

**Exhibition Opening Date:**

2026-08-14

**Exhibition Closing Date:**

2026-09-17

**Location of Exhibition:**

Wailoa Arts and Cultural Center

200 Piopio St

**6. Exhibition Title:**

‘Aimama

**Exhibition Opening Date:**

2026-08-27

**Exhibition Closing Date:**

2026-12-10

**Location of Exhibition:**

Gallery 'Iolani, Windward Community College

The motion to approve the visitation schedule was done by Marcia Roberts-Deutsch and seconded by Susana Browne. The motion was unanimously approved by the full board.

**9. Contract Amendment for Capitol Pools Project**

Kamakani Konia presented for approval, the request for increased funding for the Construction and Installation phases for the Capitol Pools project with artist Solomon Enos. The total increase in funding is \$93,507. Konrad Ng cited the need for a more detailed agenda regarding this item, and motioned to defer decision making until the June 8, 2026 General Meeting. The motion was seconded by Marcia Morse and passed unanimously by the full board.

**10. Announcements**

Konrad Ng and Karen Ewald expressed gratitude for the outgoing commissioners, Jill Kuramoto, Randall Fujiki, Michael Marshall and Susan Browne.

**11. Adjournment**

Susana Browne made the motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Jill Kuramoto. The meeting adjourned at 12:10 pm.