## HAWAI'I CONTEMPORARY

### **Art SUMMIT 2021**



## **SUMMARY RECAP**

A recap of the inugural Hawaiʻi Contemporary Art Summit 2021, premiered virtually and available online.

MARCH 2021

# Art Summit 2021, a precursor to the forthcoming Hawai'i Triennial 2022, featured distinguished speakers from Hawai'i and Asia-Pacific and globally recognized keynotes

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The inaugural Hawai'i **Contemporary Art Summit** 2021 was a multi-day virtual event that brought together renowned artists, curators, and thinkers from Hawai'i and around the world for discussions on contemporary art and ideas. A thematic precursor to the Hawai'i Triennial 2022 (HT22), Art Summit 2021 expanded on the curatorial theme: Pacific Century - E Ho'omau no Moananuiākea. It premiered online, February 10-13, 2021, and was available for free for on-demand viewing through February 28, 2021.

18
PROGRAMS

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26
PARTICIPANTS

11 COMMENTATORS

**NEARLY** 

60%

based in Hawaiʻi

of the 37+ participants and commentators 22 are based in Hawai'i AUDIENCE

3,400+

#### REGISTRANTS

from Hawai'i, continental US, Asia-Pacific, and beyond

AUDIENCE

1,660+

#### **LIVE VIEWS**

live views of the Art Summit online over the four days

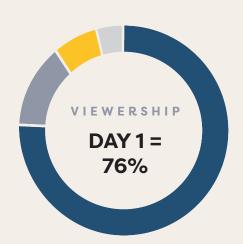
AUDIENCE

14,060+

#### **TOTAL VIEWS**

combined live and on-demand views through February 28

#### VIEWERSHIP BREAKDOWN



**VIEWERS FROM** 

COUNTRIES

## **United States 86%**

United Kingdom 2.4%

Australia 1.4%

Canada 1.6%

Japan 1.6%

Hawaiʻi	39%
California	13%
New York	6%
Illinois	5%
Other*	16%

<sup>\* 21%</sup> didn't identify a state.

Oʻahu 85% Hawai'i Island 10.5% 4.5% Maui County Kauaʻi 5%

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**7.8%** 

**GROWTH** 

466+ new Instagram followers since December 1, 2020



123.022

**NEW IMPRESSIONS** 

8,862

**ENGAGEMENTS** 

from Feb 10-28, 2021

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**SOCIAL MEDIA** 

75,705

PEOPLE REACHED

3,652

CLICKS

EMAIL CAMPAIGNS

about the Art Summit were sent to Hawai'i Contemporary's up to 9,116 recipients from December 1, 2020-February 28, 2021

60.4%

**OPEN RATE** 

for a dedicated Art Summit email that announced the timed schedule of the program

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representiving the major art institutions on Oʻahu Hawai'i-based partners

Hawai'i-based partners

two based in Hawaiʻi, one based in Hong Kong to cover local/global

467k+

EXTENDED REACH

estimated impressions via press, social media, and digital marketing in Hawai'i and overseas through our partners' efforts and networks Truly a collaborative endeavor, Hawai'i Contemporary, as a connector in the arts community, benefited from some 35 partnerships with primarily Hawai'i-based organizations to present and promote Art Summit 2021. They helped to promote the Art Summit via social media and e-news lists, extending the reach of Hawai'i Contemporary, further amplifying its message, and enhancing brand awareness of the organization in the community, locally and globally.

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Pow!Wow! Hawai'i Pu'uhonua Society Society of Asian Art of Hawai'i University of Hawai'i at Mānoa — Dept. of Art and Art History

## SELECT VIEWER COMMENTS

"Hawai'i Contemporary uses art as a starting point to inspire conversations in areas that include climate change, social justice, and native cultures. While not always comfortable, these conservations are critical to advancing and addressing Hawai'i's most pressing issues. Art Summit 2021 conveys why some of the world's most renowned artists and cultural thinkers will be coming to Hawai'i to participate in Triennial 2022 and explore these important topics."

- Chris Benjamin, CEO, Alexander & Baldwin

"Congrats for an exciting, intellectually engaging program!!! The Summit really represented the voice of Hawai'i Contemporary in its mission to connect peoples and ideas though contemporary art."

- Wendy Chang, Director, Rennie Collection

"It's so inspiring to see these conversations taking place in Hawai'i, and it's exciting to see artists and scholars articulating the importance of place and heritage where these themes really resonate with ideas relevant around the world today."

 Dr Jacek Ludwig Scarso, Reader in Art and Performance School of Art, Architecture & Design (AAD), London Metropolitan University

"I just wanted to thank you, and say how much I appreciated the recent Hawai'i Art Summit. I feel it really connected Hawai'i with the global art community. I think it also connected Hawai'i with ... Hawai'i!

- Susan Hogan, Museum Educator, Hawaiʻi State Art Museum

"I very much enjoyed the Arts Summit. I especially enjoyed the conversation with Homi K. Bhabha and the conversations with previous curators. It was delightful to revisit the previous exhibitions. Stronger together."

- Art Summit participant, Honolulu, Hawaiʻi

## PRESS HIGHLIGHTS

"The Art Summit, while a creative solution for a time when in-person gatherings are reckless and dangerous, might in fact be a prescription for how the art world can be both global, and environmentally responsible, in the future, even when the world is open for travel."

- Brienne Walsh, Forbes

"An international discussion is adding momentum to the arts in Hawai'i. The popular Honolulu Biennial Foundation has become Hawai'i Contemporary, and they are sponsoring an Art Summit to plant ideas for the next exhibition."

- Noe Tanigawa, **Hawai'i Public Radio** 

"As a preview of the Triennial, the Summit felt most rooted and engaged through the perspectives of Drew Kahu'āina Broderick. ... One aim of the Triennial, then, is to move through colonial histories 'to recenter on local, Indigenous knowledge."

- HG Masters, ArtAsiaPacific

#### Hawai'i Contemporary Art Summit 2021

Art Summit 2021 was conceptualized, produced, and presented by Hawai'i Contemporary, in collaboration with creative partner NMG Network and filmmakers kekahi wahi (Sancia Shiba Nash and Drew K. Broderick) with technical assitance from Honolulu Box Office.

#### Hawai'i Triennial 2022

February 18-May 8, 2022

A multi-site exhibition of contemporary art focused around the fluid notion of a Pacific Century - E Ho 'omau no Moananuiākea.

#### COMMENTATORS **PARTICIPANTS**

Ai Weiwei Louise Bernard

Jaimev Hamilton Faris Homi K. Bhabha

> Akiemi Glenn Drew Kahuʻāina Broderick

Halona Norton-Westbrook Kevin Carvalho

> Sara Raza Melissa Chiu

Céline Semaan-Vernon Eating in Public (Gaye Chan)

> Miwako Tezuka 'Elepaio Press (1976-present) (Mark and Richard Hamasaki)

Xiaoyu Weng Léuli Eshrāghi Theaster Gates

Karrabing Film Collective (Elizabeth A. Povinelli)

**OHANA DAY KEIKI** Nā Maka o ka 'Āina (Joan Lander)

> **PROGRAMS** Mari J. Matsuda

Minny Lee Navid Najafi Hannah Shun Mark "Gooch" Noguchi

Honolulu Theatre for Youth Jamaica Heolimeleikalani Osorio

Piliāmoʻo (Mark Hamasaki and Kapulani Landgraf)

Kawika Pegram Mika Tajima Nikkya Taliaferro

Miwako Tezuka



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