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### UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII CREATIVE MEDIA BUILDING

In 2016 I was able to work with my Senate colleagues to secure \$35 million to build the Academy of Creative Media Building at the University of Hawaii West Oahu (UHWO) campus. Creative media has become one of UHWO's fastest-growing programs since starting with 13 students in 2014. Today, it has more than 12 times that many students enrolled.

By securing the funds needed for the new building, we were able to further invest in the Central Oahu and Leeward communities by relocating the Creative Media Academy from UH Manoa to the new building at UHWO. This allows our students to further their education in creative media right at home.



Creating jobs to keep our keiki in Hawaii is our ultimate goal. Each year, Hawaii invests millions of dollars via tax credits into the film industry. This helps attract blockbuster film productions to Hawaii and provide hundreds of local jobs. Productions such as "Jurassic World" and "Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle" all were shot in Hawaii because of the tax credit. As a UHWO graduate in creative media, our local students will have the skillsets to fill these jobs in Hawaii's film industry.

Last month, my colleagues and I had the pleasure of visiting the construction site and preview the facility. The 40,685-square-foot building will contain a two-story sound stage, production and teaching areas, and another area with faculty space, eSports room, flex classrooms and creative media labs, Foley studio and soundmixing studio and a 100-seat screening room. There also will be covered outdoor spaces along with an LED wall facing an amphitheater consisting of grassy seating that can accommodate up to 250 people.

Construction is expected to be completed by June 2020. I look forward to seeing this project completed so our students can start taking classes there.





## MILILANI YMCA 7TH ANNUAL TRUNK & TREAT EVENT

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### **TRUNK & TREAT ACTIVITIES**

- GAMES
- TRUNK & TREAT TREATS
- GLITTER TATTOOS
- FOOD
- BOUNCERS
- PHOTOBOOTH
- CRAFTS
- LIVE MUSIC
- VENDOR BOOTHS
- COSTUME CONTEST (BEGINS AT 5:30P)
- CAR-STUME CONTEST (BEGINS AT 6:00P)



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CAN'T COME BUT WANT TO HELP? DROP OFF SNACKS TO THE MILILANI YMCA WELCOME CENTER

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