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**TESTIMONY OF THE STATE FOUNDATION ON CULTURE AND THE ARTS
TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND CULTURE AND THE ARTS
April 18, 2023 Conference Room 225 & Videoconference at 3:01PM**

GM 632

Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts, Gubernatorial Nominee, **RANDALL FUJIKI**, for a term to expire 06-30-2026.

Chair Lee and members of the Committee, the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts (SFCA) is pleased to provide **COMMENTS** on GM632 submitting for consideration and confirmation to the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts, Gubernatorial Nominee, **RANDALL FUJIKI**, for a term to expire 06-30-2026.

As per CHAPTER 9 Hawaii Revised Statutes, *(b) The foundation shall be governed by a policymaking and oversight commission to be known as the state foundation on culture and the arts commission. The commission shall be composed of nine members to be appointed and removed by the governor pursuant to section 26-34.*

The State Foundation on Culture and the Arts is prepared to work with Mr. Fujiki as the Green administration's appointment.

The State Foundation is committed to ensure the administrations appointments have the proper orientation and training to understand the mission of the organization and to align with the functions of the organization and the strategic plan. We will also ensure the appointment will participate in the mandatory ethics training course for commissions to better understand the State Ethics Code.

The State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Board of Commissioners have been vocal about their support of the organization and will work to ensure the unified voice of the board continues.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on this matter.

GM-632

Submitted on: 4/17/2023 2:34:49 PM

Testimony for TCA on 4/18/2023 3:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Susan C. Browne	Testifying for HSFCA	Comments	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

As a commissioner on the SFCA Board for the past five years, I know the importance of having a group who can work together and be team players. I am hopeful that with the right training and insistence on following ethics laws, Randall Fujiki will be able to contribute to a strong board of commissioners for SFCA.

Thank you all for your hard work in helping us through this time of transition.

Susan Browne

THE ARTS bring people TOGETHER

April 12, 2023

Aloha Chair Lee, Vice-Chair Inouye and Members of the Committee,

My name is Sandra Pohl, I live in Honolulu

I am the Executive Director of the Downtown Art Center (DAC), a 501c3 nonprofit, that has established itself as the destination location for the arts community in the heart of Honolulu. The DAC positions art, culture and the power of creativity as central elements of a sustainable economic development and creative tourism strategy.

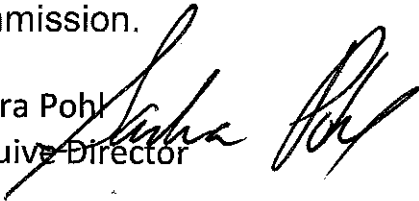
I am writing in strong support of the confirmation of Randall Fujiki to the Hawaii State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Commission.

Randy Fujiki has been a volunteer and advisor of the Downtown Art Center for the past 3 years, he brings a breadth of knowledge and counsel in assisting our community art organization. His involvement has always been in the best interest of the arts.

Randy is knowledgeable about arts in general and what is happening in the State of Hawaii. He is willing to listen and finds the time to ferret out the community needs. He actively supports many arts nonprofit organizations with time, talent and treasures. He has a broad network of colleagues and friends that are doers and leaders in the arts community at every level.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify on Randy Fujiki's nomination for the Commission.

Sandra Pohl
Executive Director



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April 14, 2023

Senator Chris Lee, Chair
Senator Lorraine R. Inouye, Vice-Chair
Senate Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts (TCA)
Hawai'i State Capitol
415 South Beretania St.
Honolulu, HI 96813

Reference for: Mr. Randall K. Fujiki, FAIA

Aloha Chair Lee, Vice-Chair Inouye and Members of the Committee,

My name is John M. Hara, and I live in Honolulu, Hawai'i. I am writing in strong support of the confirmation of Mr. Randall K. Fujiki to the Hawai'i State Foundation on Culture and the Arts (HSFCA) Board of Commissioners.

The first Executive Director of the Hawai'i State Foundation on Culture and the Arts was Alfred Preis, FAIA, an architect who set upon establishing the framework for the organization that has been an integral part of our community for five decades. Within that context, I am writing in strong support of Randall K. Fujiki, FAIA, to continue his interim commitment as a permanent member of the HSFCA Board of Commissioners.

For many years, I have shared a close professional relationship with Mr. Fujiki in his former capacity as the Director of Planning and Permitting for the City and County of Honolulu, as well as many conversations since then, relating to our community in the State of Hawai'i. By his distinguished achievements, Mr. Fujiki has proven that culture and the arts can be served in many ways by his shepherding of these contributions.

As a former chairman of the HSFCA, I am totally familiar with the intricacies of the agency and its role in perpetuating culture and the arts within this state. Mr. Fujiki, I know, understands the importance of this mission and would certainly continue to contribute substantially to the organization. I respectfully urge the interim appointment of Randall K. Fujiki, FAIA, to be extended to a permanent position on the Board of Commissioners of the Hawai'i State Foundation of Culture and the Arts.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify on this nomination.

Very truly yours,



John M. Hara, FAIA

Chairman Chris Lee, Vice Chair Lorraine Inouye and Members of the Transportation and Culture and the Arts Committee.

Hawaii State Senate
Hawaii State Legislature
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Subject: GM 632 Confirmation of Randall Fujiki to Hawaii State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Commission

Aloha Chair Lee, Vice-Chair Inouye and Members of the Committee,

I am Kaili Chun of Nuuanu and Waimea, Big Island. I strongly support Randall Fujiki, FAIA for confirmation to the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Commission. We have known each other for over 40 years starting when I was a student at Princeton University and Randy was an Architect/Planner practicing in the town of Princeton, NJ. We became lifelong friends, art lovers and art supporters. He has followed and supported my education and artwork in Architecture, woodworking, metal work, graphics, sculpture and innovative art installations.

I introduced him to my mentor and friend, world renowned Hawaii ceramist Professor Toshiko Takaezu of Princeton. They became fast friends and as he became a collector and supporter of her work. After he moved back to Hawaii, Toshiko made him the Architect for her in Honolulu home. They remained friends till her passing.

We worked together in curating the "Architects as Artist" exhibition at the Downtown Art Center. He was one of the lead organizers and curators of this show. The exhibition was so successful that it is a yearly show, just finishing its second year in February. He sought out and encouraged us, to show our work as artists. The designers work included all forms of art including painting, photography, sculpture, woodwork, ceramics and more.

Thank you for this opportunity to share my support for the confirmation of Randall Fujiki, FAIA to the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Commission. Architects are an important part of the Commission and it is important to have a diverse group representing our whole island community.

Mahalo,

Kaili Chun



14 April 2023

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Chairman Chris Lee and Members of the Transportation and Culture and the Arts
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Subject: GM 632 Confirmation of Randall Fujiki to Hawaii State Foundation on Culture
and the Arts Commission

Aloha Chair Lee, Vice-Chair Inouye and Members of the Committee,

I am Francis Oda, FAIA architect and artist from East Honolulu. I strongly support
Randall Fujiki, FAIA for confirmation to the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts
Commission. We have known each other for over 30 years from his days as City Director
of three Departments, client for G70 project design at Princeville Resort and Four
Seasons Resort in Ko Olina. Initially we worked on the redevelopment and management
of the entry and educational facilities at Hanauma Bay. He led us in the environmentally
sensitive complex site and building design.

In all our projects together we integrated planning, design, user experience and artwork.
This helped the design firm G70 that I help found make Artwork a key part of our projects.
He has supported our Art exhibits and talks at our offices. He also introduced me to the
world renowned ceramist Toshiko Takaezu. She was raised in Hawaii but attended Art
College on the Mainland and became a Professor of Art at Princeton University where
Randy met and became her friend and collector of her work. He was the Architect for her
home in Honolulu.

We worked together in conceiving and creating the "Architects as Artist" exhibition at the
Downtown Art Center. He took over as one of the lead organizers and curators as I
worked on my paintings for the exhibition. He has supported me in my development as
a painter and artist. The exhibition was so successful that it is a yearly show, just
finishing its second year. It brought out, encouraged and exhibited the artist in us
Architects. The designers work included painting, sculpture, jewelry, woodwork,
photography, graphics and other forms of art. It was amazing to show the quality of over
30 designers. Randy was so critical to this new exhibition.

I urge your confirmation of Randall Fujiki, FAIA to the State Foundation on Culture and
the Arts Commission. Architects have always been an important part of the Commission
and it is important to have a diverse group representing our whole island community.

Mahalo,

Francis Oda, FAIA

GM-632

Submitted on: 4/14/2023 1:51:39 PM

Testimony for TCA on 4/18/2023 3:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
MaryAnne Long	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

MaryAnne Long

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Chris Lee, Chair; Lorraine Inouye, Vice Chair; and Committee Members

Hawaii State Senate Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts

Hawaii State Legislature

Subject: Confirmation of Randall Fujiki to Hawaii State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Commission

Aloha Chair Lee, Vice-Chair Inouye and Members of the Committee:

Please accept this letter in strong support of the confirmation of Randall Fujiki to the Hawaii State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Commission. He is well-qualified to serve in this position.

Randall Fujiki and I both worked for the City and County of Honolulu from 1994-2000. During that time, I admired his work ethic, attention to detail, support of his staff, and his dedication to making Honolulu a finer City.

Years later, our paths crossed again in the art world. He supports the arts in so many ways - as an art collector of both emerging and long-revered Hawai`i artists; a friend to many artists; a co-curator and organizer of the very successful *Architects as Artists* show at the Downtown Art Center; a supporter and member of the Friends of the Hawai`i State Art Museum; a member of the Honolulu Museum of Arts; a donor of collected art to art fundraisers; and a frequent visitor to local art shows and galleries.

He brings a wealth of varied experiences with his knowledge of both local and national art, in the workings of both City and State government, and his strong interest in the art of music.

Mahalo for the opportunity to support the confirmation of Randall Fujiki to the SFCA Commission.

Aloha,

MaryAnne Long

Hauula, Hawaii

GM-632

Submitted on: 4/14/2023 3:02:48 PM

Testimony for TCA on 4/18/2023 3:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Elizabeth O'Brien	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Chris Lee, Chair; Lorraine Inouye, Vice Chair; and Committee Members

Hawaii State Senate Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts

Hawaii State Legislature

Subject: Confirmation of Randall Fujiki to Hawaii State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Commission

Aloha Chair Lee, Vice-Chair Inouye and Members of the Committee:

My name is Elizabeth O'Brien and I live in Honolulu. I am honored to support the confirmation of Randall Fujiki to the Hawaii State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Commission. I firmly believe he has the qualifications to serve as an SFCA Commissioner.

I have worked in and been involved with supporting both visual and performing arts for almost all my life, and my conversations with Mr. Fujiki have confirmed my belief that he is sincerely very knowledgeable about the arts and the works of many artists, quite a few of whom have work in his personal collection.

The Architects as Artists show that he has co-curated at the Downtown Art Center for the past two years speaks well to his understanding of how to choose and display art.

His experience in architecture, planning, and design are important assets that should be considered also.

Thank you for the opportunity to support the confirmation of Randall Fujiki as an SFCA Commissioner.

Aloha,

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April 13, 2023

Senator Chris Lee
Chair, Committee of Transportation and Culture and the Arts (TCA)
Hawai'i State Legislature
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear Chair Lee, Vice Chair Inouye, and Senators Elefante, Keohokalole and Awa:

I am writing to support the confirmation of Randall Fujiki to the Hawai'i State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Commission.

I have known Randy for 29 years and in all our interactions (as professionals, parents, volunteers, advocates and art appreciators), he lives the qualities I would want in a member of the Arts Commission. Whether it has been at public hearings or art openings, Randy is always friendly, intelligent, curious, open and willing to do the work with others to ensure that our state enhances our communities through the arts.

Randy's ability to navigate relationships to realize the missions of the Commission and the SFCA is equal to his knowledge of and experience with the state's artistic world as an architect, county department director, collector and friend. He will be an exceptional Commissioner.

Thank you for giving Hawai'i the opportunity to support this nomination.

Sincerely,

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Jay Hartwell

SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND CULTURE AND THE ARTS
Senator Chris Lee, Chair
Senator Lorraine E. Inouye, Vice Chair, and Committee Members

Hearing Measure GM632, Tuesday 18 April 2023, 301pm

Submitting Testimony for consideration and confirmation to the Hawaii State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Commission Gubernatorial Nominee, Randall Fujiki

Aloha Chair, Vice Chair and Committee members:

Regarding confirmation of Randall Fujiki to the Hawaii State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Commission.

I strongly support the confirmation of nominee Randall Fujiki.

As an artist printmaker, and fellow architect in Hawaii, I have had interactions with nominee Fujiki in the past for over 30 years.

Randy has always been knowledgeable, reasonable, and would be a strong advocate of the goals and best interests of the State of Hawaii in connection with Culture and the Arts.

Through his experience as an architect and administrator for the City, and as a patron and advocate for the arts, Randy has a thorough understanding of the potential for culture and the arts in the community, and the role that the State of Hawaii can play in strengthening the role of arts.

I am speaking as an individual and not for any specific organization.

With respect.

Mahalo,

Stephen H. Yuen, AIA

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Oahu resident, architect and principal at Group 70, and member of the Honolulu Printmakers.



ENGAGING THE SENSES FOUNDATION

Aloha Chair Lee, Vice-Chair Inouye, and Members of the Committee:

April 12, 2023

My name is Mona Abadir. As a former two-term Chairperson for Hawai'i State Foundation on Culture and the Arts, appointed by Governor Cayetano and supported by former Lt. Governor, Senator Hirono, I am honored to recommend Randy Fujiki. Currently, I am Chief Executive Officer for Engaging the Senses Foundation and Leadership Chair for Native Arts and Cultures Foundation. Randy and I share the same values. His heart is in the right place and his comprehensive understanding of Hawai'i will well-serve citizens in every district. I am writing to offer my strong support for the confirmation of Randall Fujiki to the Hawai'i State Foundation on Culture and the Arts.

I had the good fortune to meet, work with, and get to know Randy for the time I lived in Honolulu. I was a resident of Hawai'i for 25+ years. I now live off island; however, I continue to travel to Hawai'i many times a year to support the arts and culture on the islands. I met Randy when I was a commercial developer on O'ahu, Kaua'i and Maui. We first became acquainted when he was working with the City and County of Honolulu. Because of our various associations through the years, I have learned first-hand that Randy is a remarkable, engaged, and grounded person who shares the love of the arts, diverse cultures, and quality design. He understands the importance of preservation and enhancement of an integrated 'sense of place' which benefits all communities.

When I review Randy's CV, I see his long-term efforts to increase his long-standing public service. I believe his creative knowledge, breadth of educational, and work experiences, along with his ability to generate new collective ideas are key strengths he will bring to HSFC. The time to re-invigorate and bring the agency to new heights is now and will be aided significantly by Randy.

With my family, grandkids, friends, colleagues, and charitable work on the islands, I remain a vested stakeholder in Hawai'i. I hope for a bright future for Hawai'i State Foundation on Culture and the Arts and HISAM. I trust and know Randy will be a commissioner who has the leadership skills to help set, hold, and navigate the course to support the arts, culture, and educational outreach for the people of Hawai'i.

Mahalo nui loa for the opportunity to testify on this nomination.

Sincerely,

Mona Abadir
Chief Executive Officer
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Former Chairperson
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Illuminating the Intersection of Art and Mindfulness

GM-632

Submitted on: 4/15/2023 7:15:06 AM

Testimony for TCA on 4/18/2023 3:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Mark Chai	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha TCA Chair Lee and members of the Committee,

I am writing in strong support of the confirmation of Randall Fujiki to the Hawai'i State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Commission. My name is Mark Chai. I am a professional artist with works that have been exhibited in the Honolulu Museum of Art and the Maui Arts and Cultural Center, and commissioned as part of the Georgia O'Keeffe Hawai'i Retrospective at the New York Botanical Garden. Additional commissions have included the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, First Hawaiian Bank, and American Savings Bank. I live and have my studio in Aiea.

I met Randall more than five years ago at an art reception in Honolulu. We struck up a conversation and I was quite impressed with his knowledge of contemporary art. He is well versed in the bodies of work and styles of Hawai'i's leading contemporary artists, some of whom he knows personally. As our friendship grew, I learned he is an avid collector of contemporary art, not only of Hawai'i-born artists but internationally acclaimed modern artists as well.

As an architect by training, he has a discerning eye for art in context. He has an innate sense of form, color and texture, both in two-dimensional and three-dimensional works. He also has a keen sense of proportion and knows how to juxtapose different elements to be compatible within large open spaces as well as intimate interiors. His knowledge and experience as an architect and lifelong lover of art will be a great advantage in the position of a state art commissioner.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify in favor of the nomination of Randall Fujiki.

Mark Chai

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GM-632

Submitted on: 4/15/2023 4:00:41 PM

Testimony for TCA on 4/18/2023 3:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Michael C Schnack	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Michael Schnack
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Chris Lee, Chair; Lorraine Inouye, Vice Chair; and Committee Members
Hawaii State Senate Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts
Hawaii State Legislature
Subject: Confirmation of Randall Fujiki to Hawaii State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Commission GM632

Aloha Chair Lee, Vice-Chair Inouye and Members of the Committee:
I wish to express my sincere support for the confirmation of Randall Fujiki to the Hawaii on Culture and the Arts Commission. He is well qualified to serve on the SFCA Commission.

As a gallery owner, I have spent many hours over the years in deep conversation with Randall Fujiki and I have always been impressed with his knowledge of both local and national art trends and artists. He has purchased several excellent pieces of art from us, including works by important Hawaii artists Tadashi Sato and Sally French. He also has great interest in music and performing arts.

I was impressed with his work in co-curating and organizing the Architects as Artists show at the Downtown Art Center for the past two years. I know of his friendship with many well-known and respected artists and can attest that their work is in his personal collection. We both frequent local art shows and galleries in search of new art.

Mr. Fujiki has successfully served in directors' positions in City government and the private sector. He has always stressed the importance of aesthetics in his architectural projects.

I appreciate having the opportunity to offer this letter of support for the confirmation of Randall

Fujiki to the SFCA Commission.

Sincerely,
Michael Schnack
Owner, Cedar Street Galleries

GM-632

Submitted on: 4/15/2023 4:42:17 PM

Testimony for TCA on 4/18/2023 3:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Howard J. Wolff	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha Chair Lee, Vice-Chair Inouye and Members of the Committee,

I've known Randy personally and professionally for over 30 years. Not only does he have the resume to reinforce that he is extremely qualified for this position, he is also a person of high integrity. He has relevant and valuable experience in both the public and private sectors as well as a keen appreciation for art and architecture. More importantly, he is a no-nonsense, straight shooter who tells it like it is and gets things done.

I strongly support the confirmation of Randall Fujiki to the Hawaii State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Commission.

Warmest aloha,

Howard Wolff

Re: The Senate Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts
Tuesday, April 18, 2023
3:01 PM
Conference Room 225 & Videoconference
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Stree
Honolulu, HI

Aloha Chair Lee, Vice-Chair Inouye and Members of the Committee,

My name is Joe Ferraro, and I live in Manoa Valley on the Island of Oahu. I am writing in strong support of the confirmation of Randall Fujiki to the Hawaii State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Commission for which he has served for the last six months.

I have known Randy for over 20 years. We are both architects and share the distinction of being Fellows in the American Institute of Architects. He has been a great supporter of both architecture in the building industry and the fine arts in our community. He served our city as the Director of the Design and Construction, a division of the Department of Planning and Permitting and co-chaired the recent Art by Architects exhibit in downtown Honolulu. Randy has a magnificent collection of local, regional, and international art and can speak in great depth on local artists and the subject of fine art.

Based on Randy's education in art and architecture; his long and distinguished professional practice; his commitment and dedication to the arts in our community; and his longtime service to our community, I believe he is the perfect candidate to continue to fill this position on the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Commission.

I hope the committee will grant him this position.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify on his nomination.

Sincerely,



Joseph J. Ferraro FAIA, LEED AP

Aloha Chair Lee, Vice-Chair Inouye and Members of the Committee,

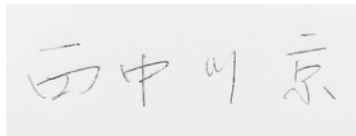
My name is Miyako Nishinakagawa, and I live in Honolulu, Hawaii. I am writing in strong support of the confirmation of Randall Fujiki to the Hawaii State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Commission.

Together with Randall Fujiki, I have organized two exhibitions, "Architects As Artists" at the Downtown Honolulu Art Center in 2022 and 2023. This show focused on art by architects, a genre that had not previously gained attention in Hawaii, and was highly praised by both the architecture and art communities.

This reputation was due in large part to his ability to guide the exhibition as an advisor. He is truly an irreplaceable figure in or between the fields of architecture and fine arts. Also he has a remarkable ability to attract sponsorships and contacts is considerable. I not only admire Randall Fujiki as a partner of the "Architects As Artists" show , but I also respect his love for art, his knowledge, and his wonderful personality from bottom of my heart.

Therefore, I hereby strongly support of the confirmation of Randall Fujiki to the Hawaii State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Commission.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify on this nomination.



Miyako Nishinakagawa
Exhibition Coordinator
Downtown Art Center, Honolulu

April 16, 2023

RE: GM632 – Support for Nomination of Randall Fujiki to serve on the Hawaii State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Commission

Aloha e Chair Lee, Vice Chair Inouye and Members of The Senate Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts Committee, my name is Ka`iulani Sodaro, and I live in Kaneohe and am writing in strong support of the confirmation of Randall Fujiki to the Hawaii State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Commission.

Beyond, Mr. Fujiki being a long time friend, former professional colleague, and knowing him in his official leadership capacity at the C&C Honolulu, he is passionate about Hawaii's artists and supporter of our museums, galleries and collectors. He is an advocate for art in all its facets and dimensions being integrated into our public realm and community fabric.

As a Fellow to the American Institute of Architects, Mr. Fujiki is grounded in a lifetime of professional accomplishments in Architecture, Planning and Development. He brings a unique skill set and perspective to the SFCA and Commission. He views art as key elements to site and building design as well as the human experience and legacy.

Mr. Fujiki holds long standing memberships to SFCA, Friends of HiSAM, Honolulu Museum of Art, DAC, MoMA, and the Noguchi Museum. More recently, he organized an annual exhibit of "Architects as Artists" at Downtown Art Center with Sandy Pohl and Carol Khewhok. He is enthusiastic and committed to supporting and enhancing the importance of SFCA and HiSAM.

Being recently retired, Mr. Fujiki is able to provide the time commitment and attention needed to appropriately and deservedly support the SFCA staff and its mission as an active Commissioner. He has been serving on an interim basis for over six months and has established meaningful and fruitful relationships with the staff and other Commissioners.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify in support of Mr. Fujiki's nomination.

With Aloha,



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GM-632

Submitted on: 4/16/2023 7:33:32 PM

Testimony for TCA on 4/18/2023 3:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Susan Hogan	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support confirmation of Randall Fujiki to the Commission of the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts. His experience in government, combined with experience as a Commissioner for the SFCA during the past year, will help maintain a seasoned balance on the board.



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April 17, 2023

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Subject: GM 632 Confirmation of Randall Fujiki to Hawaii State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Commission

Aloha Chair Lee, Vice-Chair Inouye and Members of the Committee,

My name is Sheila Donnelly Theroux and I live in Manoa and Pupukea, Oahu. I am writing in strong support of the confirmation of Randall Fujiki to the Hawaii State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Commission.

I have known Randy for over 20 years as a friend, appreciator and collector of Art, Architect and City Director. I was a board member of the Smithsonian Institution APAC Museum and Friends of the Hawaii State Museum of Art. Randy was also a supporter and member of the Friends of HiSAM. He was a key part of our fundraising sale of donated art, helping us to sell and purchasing pieces at our event.

I know Randy is a friend and longtime supporter and collector of important and new artists in Hawaii. He was an old friend of the world renowned artist Toshiko Takaesu. They were friends in New Jersey and Hawaii, and he designed her house in lower Alewa Heights. He is also a friend and collector of the works of Satoru Abe, Harry Tsuchidana, and John Koga.

He has and will continue to be an excellent Commissioner to SFCA, with his experience in local and national art. He will also bring his excellent views from his wide knowledge in working and involvement with State and City communities, government and art. He was instrumental in organizing and curating the "Architect as Artists" month-long art show at the Downtown Art Center for the last two years. It is now an annual event.

He talks, lives and breathes the arts and treasures his collection. We have met and looked at exhibitions from Maine to Hawai'i.

Mahalo for the opportunity to support Randall Fujiki's nomination.

Sheila Donnelly Theroux

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Sheila Donnelly Theroux'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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and the Arts Commission

Aloha Chair Lee, Vice-Chair Inouye and Members of the Committee,

My name is Sheryl Seaman and I reside in Kailua. I hereby support the nomination of
Randall Fujiki to the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Commission. I have
known Randy for a very long time, as a fellow architect, during his public service with
the City and County Department of Permitting and Planning, and during his tenure as a
developer with The Resort Group.

Randy's experience in both the public and private sector, as a designer and as a
developer, have given him a broad range of experience in the impact of art on the way
people experience the built environment.

He is a collector of art himself focusing his collection on the works of Hawaiian artists,
so he is very familiar with the art community and the unique impact of culture on our
home. He supports and gives volunteer time to the arts and has been instrumental in
the development of our very successful Architect as Artist show now entering its third
year.

I served as a Commissioner myself and would have been proud to have Randy as a
fellow member during that time. Randy's experience as a business leader in Hawai'i
enhances his qualifications to serve and to contribute meaningfully to the betterment of
the organization.

I offer unqualified support and encourage approval of his nomination

Sincerely,

Sheryl B. Seaman, AIA, LEED-AP, NCIDQ, IIDA
Vice Chair G70

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Kathy Sokugawa	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Speaking as a retired city planner, I recommend Randall Fujiki, FAIA, to the board of the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts.

I have worked with Mr. Fujiki for many years, most notably when he was Honolulu's Director of Design & Construction, and then as Director of the Department of Planning & Permitting. He is a Fellow of the American Institute of Architects, the most prestigious honor for architects. He is also an avid art collector, notably owning pieces by local artists. His appreciation for Art, combined with his architectural awareness of the role that Art plays in enhancing and elevating public spaces, buildings and communities, make him well-qualified to be a member of the Foundation's Board.

Please act favorably on this appointment.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Barbara Pope	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha Chair Lee, Vice-Chair Inouye and Members of the Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts,

My name is Barbara Pope. I am a graphic designer and publisher of books focusing on the natural and cultural history of Hawaii. I live in Maunawili and work in Honolulu. I am writing in support of the confirmation of Randall Fujiki to the Hawaii State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Commission. I have known Randy for most of my adult life.

Randy's personal collection of works created by artists associated with Hawaii includes significant work from the twentieth century representing an assortment of artists and mediums. The artists and decades represented in his personal collection is unified by his eclectic eye, sense of connoisseurship, and intellectual curiosity. As a collector he has forged relationships with various artists and served as an enthusiastic supporter of their artistic lives. Randy clearly understands and values that studying and learning from artists and their work is a critical aspect of appreciating and understanding the complex history and life of these islands, and the impact that art has on individuals and communities.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify on this nomination.

Respectfully,

Barbara Pope

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To: State of Hawai'i Legislature
Senate Committee on Transportation and Culture & the Arts
From: Dean Sakamoto, FAIA
Attn: Senator Chris Lee
Via: Online Testimony
Date: April 17, 2023

Dear Senators:

Please consider my recommendation of Mr. Randall (Randy) Fujiki, FAIA for confirmation by your committee to the Board of Commissioners at the Hawai'i State Foundation on Culture and the Arts.

In this instance, I have the privilege of knowing both Randy and SFCA for many years. I met Randy over 20 years ago when he was the Director of the City & County of Honolulu's Building Department. I was employed at SFCA as an Exhibitions Specialist (1995-1996) and more recently served as a Commissioner on SFCA's Board (2014-2018).

I am certain that Randy will provide the professional vision, knowledge and experience which will positively guide SFCA's Executive Director and his/her team. In my opinion, Randy's leadership skills and candid personal style is unique and his willingness to serve our community through SFCA is opportune.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Mahalo!



Dean Sakamoto, FAIA