

News from the Office of Enterprise Technology Services
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MESSAGE FROM CIO CHRISTINE SAKUDA

Aloha mai kākou!

You may have noticed the new artwork in B10 and along the basement hallway walls. The artwork includes drawings, paintings, ceramics, and multi-media pieces that were provided and installed by the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts from their Art in Public Places Collection.

The art in the collection is all created by local artists and purchased by the foundation to be placed in state buildings like Kalanimoku.

The next time you are in my office please take a look at the large blue piece by Denise Karabinus titled “Tear Mandala” which is a woodblock on recycled newsprint.



Several of these pieces are very thought provoking and provide insights into our local culture from creative Hawaii artists. I believe these artworks really liven up office space and provide an opportunity for all of us to think about how art enriches our lives by thinking outside the box.

Mahalo!

Chief Information Officer and administrator of the Office of Enterprise Technology Services Christine M. Sakuda



Shelly Izuno (front row left) with the Punahou Girl's Soccer Team that she coached to a third consecutive championship title. Photo below: Greg Dalin, HIMOD Program Manager.

HIMOD TEAM MEMBERS' ACHIEVEMENTS RECOGNIZED

Two members of our ETS Hawai'i Modernization Initiative (HIMOD) team – currently working in support of the Enterprise Financial System (EFS) Project - have recently earned distinctions from the Project Management Institute (PMI), an international not-for-profit membership association for Project, Program, and Portfolio Management Professionals.

Greg Dalin, the HIMOD Program Manager, has been elected president of the Hawai'i PMI chapter, and HIMOD.

Project Manager Shelley Izuno recently earned her certification as a Project Management Professional (PMP). The certification requires a minimum of 3 to 5 years of experience, education credits, and passing a lengthy exam of up to four hours long.

Dalin said participation with PMI demonstrates a person's ability to help lead complicated projects such as the EFS project which aims to implement a new financial system that will transform the state's business operations.



“This directly benefits ETS by ensuring that our team remains informed about the latest industry standards and methodologies,” he said. “It also enables us to exchange valuable insights and resources that can enhance the efficiency and effectiveness of our projects.

“Furthermore, by promoting professional development and certification, we contribute to a more skilled and knowledgeable workforce in Hawai'i. This enhances the quality of projects within ETS and supports the broader goal of advancing the state's economic development through well-managed initiatives.”

Izuno, who is also the coach of the Punahou girls' soccer team that last month won the HHSAA Division 1 championship for the third straight year, said both the PMP training and coaching have helped her develop better leadership skills.

“My vision of success is building young athletes to be thriving adults in society's future. If I can positively change one life or help a student-athlete to learn at least one life lesson, that is my level of success,” Izuno said. “I've learned a lot about communication, psychology and human needs along the way.

“My current role on the EFS team has enabled me to engage in hands-on learning which in-turn has allowed me to actually learn real-life applications of project management principles. This EFS team experience alone has helped me pass the PMP.”

On the field or in the office, a leader must work to motivate each team member, she

said.

“All of the things I have learned as a coach of student-athletes have helped me be a better leader. Those years, combined with my learning and understanding of adults in the workplace, have helped me to lead adults in the workplace,” Izuno said.

“Conceptually, the needs of a student-athlete in high school are the same as adults. We all have motivations and priorities and when we can take the time to identify those things in each person, we can start to address the needs in our team and build upon helping each person be the best person they can be.”

Congratulations and continued success to Greg and Shelley and the HIMOD team.

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WELCOME OUR NEW HIRES

- Chiaki Arai - Client Services Branch
- Michael Otsuji - Security
- Redentor Tumbaga - Production Services Branch
- Scott Chun - Technology Support Services Branch
- Matthew Nagatori - Program Management Branch





MAHALO TO ETS JOB FAIR VOLUNTEERS

A big MAHALO to all the ETS volunteers who worked our recruitment table at the Hawai'i Technology Development Corporation's (HTDC) 23rd Annual Holiday Tech Job Fair on December 21, 2024 at the Entrepreneurs Sandbox.

Volunteers included Christine Sakuda (photo from left), Cortney Yamamoto, Vincent Hoang, and not in the photo Jayke Manzano and Alysha Leano.

Our HR team and volunteers continue to try and fill ETS vacancies by staffing tables at upcoming events for Governor Josh Green's Operation Hire Hawai'i (OH-HI) that seeks to fast track the hiring of federal workers that have been impacted by recent layoffs.

For more information visit <https://dhrd.hawaii.gov/OHHI/>

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