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Celebrating 57 Years of Bringing the World to Hawai'i

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Conference Highlights APEC Economy: Indonesia

200 students from 19 high schools explored Indonesian culture at PAAC's cultural fair on October 22, 2011. The Perimas Indonesian Club at University of Hawai'i taught games and dances from their home country and later performed during the WorldQuest Competition.

Curator Michael Schuster gave tours of the East-West Center's exhibit featuring S. Ann Dunham's field work in Indonesia, and members of the Hawai'i Gamelan Society taught students about the instruments; the orchestra closed the event with a special mini-concert.

"The art exhibit [...] gave me insight into Indonesian culture and the works were beautiful."



Students explore S. Ann Dunham's fieldwork in Indonesia at the East-West Center Art Gallery.

Picture Courtesy of Jamie De La Cruz.

WorldQuest 2011: APEC

Punahou School, Kealakehe, and Aiea High School teams placed 1st, 2nd, and 3rd, respectively, in a field of over 270 students on 72 teams from 24 schools who competed in PAAC's 12th Annual Chevron Academic WorldQuest Competition on October 22, 2011. Emcee Steve Uyehara led the competition, which took place simultaneously on Oahu, Maui, Kauai, and the Big Island.



The winning team from Punahou School with (at left) WorldQuest emcee, Steve Uyehara, and judge PAAC member, Ray Tadaki and (at right), judges Chris Cavote of Chevron & PAAC's Board of Governors President, Ruth Limtiaco.

"From this point on, I will and must continue my journey of learning about the world."

"It is not only myself and Hawaii; there is a whole world out there waiting to be explored."

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Hawai'i Island Model APEC

In collaboration with the City Council of Hawai'i Island, led by Councilmember Brittany Smart, PAAC brought Model APEC to 81 students from 11 schools on Hawai'i Island, Maui, and Oahu on October 28 and 29, 2011.

Ambassador Lauren Moriarty, former Ambassador to APEC and member of PAAC's Board of Governors, provided context for students before they received their role in the simulation.

APEC's member economies were represented by the students, who negotiated their economies' interests as they shaped future policies related to trade, security, and clean energy.



A teacher from Kealakehe High School and a group of student facilitators consult prior to the Model APEC simulation.

"It was hard for me to push for nuclear energy because I personally do not support it [...] But I was able to learn some of the benefits of using nuclear power and see another perspective."

Learn more about our student events at www.paachawaii.org/high-school-program/conferences-and-competitions

OneWorld Now!-Hawai'i:

FIRST ARABIC SUMMER CAMP IN HAWAI'I



PAAC provided leadership classes to first ever Arabic camp in Hawai'i. L to R: Cristina Herrera (James Campbell High School), Katie Pham, (JCHS), Stacy Nojima (PAAC), Nazeedah Khan, Codi Kelii (JCHS), & Gabriella Gualano (University Laboratory School)

activities such as a visit to Shangri La museum, movie nights, and a joint activity with Palestinian and Jordanian students in Hawai'i on an East-West Center program.

The last day of the camp culminated in a lively fashion show and debka dance performance from the students.

Thanks to the funding by Qatar Foundation International, 24 students spent part of their summer learning Arabic language and culture during a two-week long camp held at the University of Hawai'i at Manoa. The language immersion camp enabled students to learn and cultivate Arabic conversational skills.

PAAC provided leadership classes that encouraged self-reflection and personal development on both a local and global level. The students were also introduced to Arabic culture through

Save-The-Date!

Please join us as we honor
Hawai'i International Film Festival and
its Executive Director Chuck Boller with
The Paul S. Bachman Award
and
Stephanie McCandless Reford with
The Lifetime Achievement Award
at our annual dinner.



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6:15pm Dinner & Program

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International Visitor Leadership Program 2011

IVLP HIGHLIGHTS

“Promoting Social Change through the Arts”

A group of community activists, art managers, curators, and performers from around the globe spent six days from September 5th to the 10th in Hawai'i meeting with local art organizations working on a wide spectrum of social justice issues using the power of the arts.

“Community Activism and Minority Rights”

The international visitors on this program, from September 13th to 17th, met with organizations such as the Hawai'i Civil Rights Commission to learn about civil rights and the efforts to fight against discrimination in Hawai'i.

“Energy Efficiency and Green Growth within APEC Region”

International visitors from the energy and green growth industry throughout the APEC region arrived to Hawai'i on September 20th. They spent five days in Hawai'i sharing best practices with local professional counterparts working on energy efficiency and green growth. The visitors met with Maria Tome, Carilyn Shon, and Estrella A. Seese from the Hawai'i State Energy Office to learn about the objectives of the Clean Energy Initiatives as well as hear to about Hawai'i's hopes to benefit in the clean energy/green growth field with the 2011 APEC meeting.

PAAC hosted 17 IVLP Projects in 2011 with visitors from Afghanistan, Australia, China, Indonesia, Japan, Kenya, Mexico, South Korea, Thailand, Taiwan, the United Kingdom, Guam, Papua New Guinea and New Zealand.

PAAC collaborated with organizations and individuals listed on page 4.



Left to Right.: Mr. Wenzhi Zhu (IVLP visitor), Dr. Laura Kong (Director Tsunami Information Center), Mr. Ed Young (Deputy Director Pacific Region Headquarters of National Weather), and Dr. Charles McCreery (Director of Pacific Tsunami Center).

PAAC Students in Vietnam: Connecting to an Interdependent World

Fifteen students from fourteen high schools in Hawai'i received full scholarships, provided by the Freeman Foundation, to travel to Vietnam for two weeks. Through home stays and traveling to Sapa with students from Hanoi, donating school supplies and painting a friendship mural for elementary school students in Hoi An, and attending classes and staying overnight at a high school in Ho Chi Minh city, students built relationships that will forever tie them to Vietnam.

Their impressions of Vietnamese people: friendly, hard-working, resilient, forgiving, and looking towards a bright future, will be passed on as they share what they experienced with family, friends, and the community.

"This was a great life-changing experience for me...I learned more about myself and became globally-minded. I learned that travelling is what I want to do in the future and that international business is the right path for me."



Participants learned about the history of the Japanese Bridge in Hoi An, which was built in 1593 to link the Japanese trading community to the Chinese Quarter. This visit was followed by a service project at an elementary school.



WorldQuest

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Categories included APEC issues: trade, security, and clean energy, as well as current events and general knowledge of APEC economies.

The winning team from Punahou will receive airfare and hotel accommodations to represent Hawaii in the National WorldQuest Competition in April 2012.



"I learned that hard work and dedication are the keys to success in both global relations and WorldQuest."

Special thanks to title sponsor Chevron, USA, for supporting program costs and providing the grand prize.

Hawai'i Teachers attend Turkey Study Tour

Teachers Lorey Ishihara (Kahuku High), Emelda Keola (Waipahu High), and Donna Quon (Roosevelt High) spent two weeks this summer on a study tour of Turkey. Beginning in Istanbul, the group of educators traveled to the western part of Turkey, ending in Ankara by way of Cappadocia. As a result of this program, our teachers will enhance their classroom curriculum with Turkish history and culture.

The development of National Standards in Social Studies areas now include an emphasis on Turkish history, again underscoring the importance of the area geographically and historically.

In collaboration with PAAC's national affiliate, the World Affairs Councils of America, the Turkish Cultural Foundation has sponsored study tours for over 300 teachers and workshops on Turkey for over 2000 teachers across the U.S.



Three Hawai'i teachers at Ephesus with their guide from the Turkish Cultural Foundation. This experience will inspire them to infuse a more global perspective into their classroom.



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 strengthen Hawai'i's role in
 the Asia Pacific region