

RESUME

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BACKGROUND

I was born and raised in Heeia, Kaneohe, on the island of Oahu by my grand aunt, who owned a grocery store in Heeia Kea called the Heeia Kea Store, which I helped her with until I got married. Our routine was school, work, home, after the store closed.

EDUCATION

I am a proud graduate of Castle High School, I attended Brigham Young University for one year in Laie, and then enrolled into Honolulu Business College where I graduated with a degree as a Junior Accountant

ART

I was very active as a professional artist at the Saturday Zoo Fence in Waikiki for 18 years. I was also an active selling artist with Pali Painters in Kailua, 10 years active with Arts of Paradise Gallery at International Market Place for 6 years, active with Windward Artist Gallery at Windward Mall in Kaneohe for 4 years. I bought out Windward Artist Gallery and renamed it to Gallery Haiku at Windward Mall for 5 Years. Have been a member of Windward Artist Guild for over 10 years and served as Editor of the News Bulletin and member of the Honolulu Artist Guild.

SPORTS

I was a very active tennis player in the Honolulu Tennis Association and Oahu Tennis Association for over 30 years. I Captained many Teams to the Senior Level. Took my Senior Team to the Palm Desert to compete, winning the title for the Honolulu Women's Division.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

Currently, Vice-President, Ahahui Kaahumanu, Chapter I, Honolulu. Member since 2013. Responsible for Programs, Membership, and all Events, including attendance at Aii Sundays at Kawaiahao Church and Ceremonies at Mauna Ala.

In 2013, I joined the Kaneohe Senior Center after retiring from my tennis career to keep active and learn more about my Hawaiian culture. I joined the hula group called Na Kupuna O Koolau. We volunteer twice a week putting on 45 minutes to one hour programs for many care homes in Honolulu and the Windward areas. I have been a Director of the Association, and is presently the Auditor. As a group, we have done programs for the City and County Mayors programs. We have done many competitions here and on Hawaii Island and have been very successful.

As a member, I have entered competitions and received several awards:

2013 Wahine Soloist for the Kalakaua Kupuna Competition, 1st Place

2013 Wahine Soloist for the Kona Kupuna Competition, 3rd Place.

2014 Wahine Soloist for the Kona Kupuna Competition, 1st place.

2014 Lei Queen for the City and County of Honolulu

Currently, I am a Judge for the Lei Queen Event for the City and County of Honolulu.

My grandfather, David Kahookele, owns property in the Hana area which I have helped our family to manage. I have been very active as a member of the Nahiku Community Association on East Maui for more than 10 years, during which time I was the Secretary. Besides looking after the concerns for the Community of Nahiku, our main mission is to build a Community Center in Nahiku. This is an ongoing project.

EMPLOYMENT

I became a Realtor-Associate in 1986 and I am still active doing sales and property management. I manage 20 properties for clients.

I believe in honesty, reliability, fairness, and lots of common sense.

I humbly request your consideration to be a member of the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission so I may help to continue our cultural traditions.

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Date