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Hawai'i Craftsmen

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Hawaii Craftsmen Call To Artists Submit work October 6 for Annual Exhibition

Hawaii Craftsmen's *2013 Annual Statewide Juried Exhibition* will be on view October 11 through November 2, 2013 at the Honolulu Museum of Art School Gallery. Viewing hours are Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.; and on Sunday from 1 until 5 p.m.; Entry to the exhibition is free of charge.

Oahu artists may submit their artwork for review on Sunday, October 6, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. at the Honolulu Museum of Art School. There will be a different entry fee for members and non-members of Hawaii Craftsmen. Interested artists will find the exhibition prospectus and online registration at hawaiicraftsmen.org no later than August 1, 2013.

Artists are encouraged to enter traditional or non-traditional craft with a fresh approach or point of view. The exhibition is open to functional and non-functional craft objects in the categories of clay, fiber, glass, metal, mixed media, and wood. Awards of Excellence with cash prizes will be selected by the juror and presented at the opening reception. All entries must be of original design and created independently within the last two years. No work previously shown in a juried exhibition is eligible.

The opening reception will be held October 11, 5:30-7:30 p.m. and is free to the public. The annual exhibition of new work will be juried by Stefano Catalani, Director of Art, Craft & Design of the Bellevue Arts Museum (BAM), Bellevue, Washington. He joined the Bellevue Arts Museum as a curator in 2005 and was named Director in

February of 2010. He has conceived and organized more than 20 acclaimed exhibitions exploring the dynamic field of art, craft and design. Six of his exhibitions have gone on nationwide tours to other museum venues, introducing the on-the-rise craft artists to new audiences across the continent. During his tenure at BAM, Catalani has written and or contributed to nine exhibition catalogues published by the arts museum. Among them, he produced an award winner from the American Association of Museums (2007, *Dim Sum at the On-On Tea Room The Jewelry of Ron Ho.*).

Catalani is highly regarded in the field of contemporary art and has been chosen as a nominator and juror for many awards, including The Louis Comfort Tiffany Foundation Awards, the Pollock-Krasner Foundation, and the John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation Fellowships, among others. He also serves as a guest lecture at the University of Washington, Evergreen State College, and other educational institutions. A native of Italy, Catalani relocated to Seattle in 2001. His classic studies in Italy provided him with a strong theoretical background in art history and philosophy. At BAM, he focuses on fluidity between art, craft, and design, emphasizing both tradition and innovation.

Juror Stefano Catalani will present a free lecture on October 6 at (need time) at the Honolulu Museum of Art School.

Until someone is designated to serve as the overall chair and project coordinator, please contact info@hawaii craftsmen for more information about ***Hawaii Craftsmen's 2013 Annual Statewide Juried Exhibition***. Serving as exhibition designer will be Tom Klobe. Submissions information for the neighbor islands will be available in the prospectus and the process will be coordinated by Hawaii Craftsmen board representatives as follows: Hugh Jenkins (Big Island); Tim Garcia (Maui); and Kathy Cowan (Kauai). (Is this still correct? - Tim Garcia will be changed -- hopefully by end of the month.)

Artists interested in membership in Hawaii Craftsmen will find information online at the organization's web site, www.hawaiicraftsmen.org.

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About Hawaii Craftsmen:

Founded in 1967, Hawaii Craftsmen is a 501©3 non-profit organization whose mission it is to increase public awareness and appreciation of fine craft through community outreach in many forms; to provide opportunities for continuing education and regular exhibition of member work; to sustain a statewide community of craft artists by providing venues for shared experiences and communication; and to promote the organization and its members both within and without the State of Hawaii. Donations are gratefully accepted.

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