

RAKU POTTERY AND RAKU HO'OLAULE'A The traditional ceramic art of raku originated in Japan during the 16th century, arising from the Zen pursuit to perceive the oneness of the individual with the rest of creation and amplify this oneness through pottery. Original Japanese pieces of raku were tea bowls. Raku potters worked exclusively to produce vessels for the tea ceremony. A raku pot was seen as an object created according to the laws of nature, and raku evolved as it did because of the preferences of the tea masters. Western raku has been developing over the last half century. Although more vigorous in its conception than traditional Japanese raku, western raku often maintains a simple, natural quality while giving the potter a sense of freedom and excitement through the experience of active collaboration with the process. A sandy or grogged clay body is used in raku so that pieces can be rapidly fired at 1600-1800 degrees Fahrenheit. The pieces are removed hot from the kiln and placed in an airtight container with combustible material such as sawdust or newspaper. The burning of these materials steals oxygen from the metallic oxides in the glazes, producing lusters and other effects and colors, as well as smoked unglazed surfaces.

Raku Ho'olaule'a is an annual community ceramics workshop, firing and campout held at Camp Mokule'ia on Oahu's beautiful North Shore. Founded in 1977, it brings together ceramic artists who participate in raku and pit firing techniques. Objects glazed and fired at the beach were juried by experts in contemporary and traditional raku categories for this exhibition. This exhibit includes 75 art works created by 42 artists. Guest artist and juror Scott Young was also invited to participate in the exhibit.

SCOTT YOUNG juried art works in the contemporary raku category. He is a ceramic artist and teacher known for his slab built Raku boxes. Mr. Young is a native of Honolulu who started his ceramics education at Leeward Community College and transferred to California State University at Fullerton where he earned his Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts degrees, with an emphasis in ceramics. He has taught at Saddleback College, Soka University of America, and elsewhere in Southern California. Mr. Young currently resides in San Juan Capistrano.

ELLEN FOOKS juried art works in the traditional category. She is a Japanese tea ceremony sensei and a board member of Urasenke Foundation of Hawaii, and has studied the Japanese tea ceremony since 1980. Ms. Fooks lived in several locations in Asia for 14 years including Kyoto and Tokyo and has visited potters throughout



RAKU HO'OLAULE'A GROUPS

- BURN-OUTS**
- HAWAII POTTERS GUILD**
- KRACKPOTS**
- WAIANAEO COAST CLAY CREATIONS**
- WINDWARD COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

Guest artist Scott Young wet clay demonstration at Windward Community College. Photo credit M. Mitsuda

JURORS STATEMENT In my process of selecting the works you see in this exhibition, I chose pieces that displayed audacity in respect to the willingness, determination and guts it takes to subject unique large sculptural works, finely crafted forms and delicate figurative pieces to rapid heating, fierce kiln fire and smothering smoke in the American Style Raku Firing Process. Those who submit their works to this process are faced with many conditions and variables that happen with uncertainty, but there's anticipation of optimism when one surrenders their expectations and welcomes chance and serendipitous surprise. Congratulations to the owners of selected works.

2018 RAKU HO'OLAULE'A AWARDS

CONTEMPORARY CATEGORY

“Best in Show” 1st Prize
Sponsored by the Susan Rogers-Aregger Memorial Collage and Clay Foundation
Russell Wee - Krack Pots - *High Tower*

2nd Prize
Sponsored by the Susan Rogers-Aregger Memorial Collage and Clay Foundation
Forest Leonard - Windward Community College - *The Tornado*

3rd Prize
Sponsored by the Susan Rogers-Aregger Memorial Collage and Clay Foundation
Bunky Bakutis - Waianae Coast Clay Creations - *Fissure*

Ginny McGargahan Award of Excellence
Sponsored by the Timothy Y.C. Choy Fund of Hawaii Community Foundation
Christopher Edwards - Windward Community College - *Adonis*

TRADITIONAL CATEGORY

First Prize
Ed Takahashi - Krack Pots - *Cosmic Sunset*

Second Prize
Philip Kwock - Hawaii Potters Guild - *Blue Waterfall*

Third Prize
Faye Maeshiro - Hawaii Potters Guild - *Hemisphere Blush*

MINOR CATEGORY

1st Prize
Kaeo Wongbusarakum - Hawaii Potters Guild - *Neptune*

2nd Prize
Kaeo Wongbusarakum - Hawaii Potters Guild - *The Celestial Couple*

3rd Prize
Kaeo Wongbusarakum - Hawaii Potters Guild - *Water Birds*

MAHALOS

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Raku Ho'olaule'a 2018



Scott Young - Octagonal Raku Box

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Parallelogram Raku Box
\$240

Raku Box with Multi-colored Slab Handle
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Small Square Raku Box with Side and Lid Handles
\$220

Small Square Raku Box with Slab Handle
\$175

Bunky Bakutis
Waianae Coast Clay Creations
Lava
\$1650

Fissure
\$1000

Lala DeMuesy
Hawaii Potters Guild
Acute Giri
\$52.01

Christopher Edwards
Windward Community College
Adonis
\$1100

Wana
\$550 set (4)

Ulua
\$120

Birgitta Frazier
Krack Pots
Sparkle
\$120

Joseph Grandinetti
Waianae Coast Clay Creations
Uhu
\$95

NOTE:
Artworks sold during the exhibit
will be removed at the time of
purchase

Leihulu Greene
Krack Pots
Turtle Hunt
\$800

Barbara Guidage
Burnouts
Tea House
\$200

Acero in the Fall
\$295

Dr. Doolittle
\$225

Majestic
\$400

Chong Headland
Waianae Coast Clay Creations
Spicey Tea
\$100

Jackie Johnson
Hawaii Potters Guild
Hide & Seek
\$200

Craig Kagawa
Windward Community College
Bright Blue
\$200

Wired Blush
\$100

Philip Kwock
Hawaii Potters Guild
Mokuleia Firestorm
\$200

Blue Waterfall
\$250

Forest Leonard
Windward Community College
The Tornado
\$900

Mary Lew
Burnouts
Where are the Fairies?
\$150

Rochelle Lum
Waianae Coast Clay Creations
Ichi Puppy
\$750

Stretch
\$1500

Sidney Lynch
Hawaii Potters Guild
Mr. Rabbit Goes for a Sail
\$500

Flying (a rattle)
\$100

Faye Maeshiro
Hawaii Potters Guild
Hemisphere Blush
\$750

Paula Maloney
Burnouts
Keeper of Secrets
\$1500

Ancient Age
\$500

Kim Markham
Hawaii Potters Guild
Mokuleia
\$100

Spirit Vessel
\$150

Lithium Landscape
\$50

Drew Matsumoto
Hawaii Potters Guild
Last One
\$100

Gayle McDiarmid
Waianae Coast Clay Creations
Chinese New Year Dog
\$200

Jackie Mild-Lau
Waianae Coast Clay Creations
Aortic Pitcher
\$625

Itchy Dog
\$1050

Annie Moriyasu
Hawaii Potters Guild
Little Dragon Pa'a
\$500

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\$260

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Burnouts
Egret in the Marsh
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\$300

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\$120

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\$1000

Samurai Hawk
\$1000

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Windward Community College
Who Are You?
\$50

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\$100

Joy Sanchez
Windward Community College
Arbor Vitae
\$350

Birb
\$180

Terry Savage
Hawaii Potters Guild
Ditto 18
\$300

Flying Glyph
\$150

Laurie Siegfried
Hawaii Potters Guild
Underwater Fashion Show
\$200

Basket
\$200

Emily Spurrier
Waianae Coast Clay Creations
Flow
\$175

Myrna Spurrier
Waianae Coast Clay Creations
Red Lantern
\$250

Ed Takahashi
Krack Pots
Cosmic Sunset
\$50

Last Tree
\$50

Patricia Takeshita
Hawaii Potters Guild
Hinahina at Sunset
\$500

Moss Patina
\$250

Toni Wagner
Hawaii Potters Guild
White Lantern
\$150

Fishes & Waves
\$95

Zentangle
\$95

Lynn Eiko Wallenhorst
Krack Pots
Free Form Nature Vase
\$250

Puppies
\$450 set (3)

Russell Wee
Krack Pots
High Tower
\$3000

Mechanical Drive
\$3000

Mark White
Burnouts
Rakuco
\$525

Sails
\$350

Emerging Lotus
\$415

Supin Wongbusarakum
Hawaii Potters Guild
Glacier of a Thousand Colors
\$150

Everlasting Blues
\$1000 set (2)

Kaoo Wongbusarakum
Hawaii Potters Guild
The Celestial Couple
\$600 set (2)

Neptune
\$400

Water Birds
\$300

Gary Yokohama
Krack Pots
Kyodai
\$150 set (2)

Haru
\$200

Valerie Yokoyama
Krack Pots
Chisai
\$50

Sharing
\$50