

# HAWAII LAND SURVEYORS ASSOCIATION

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Aloha kākou, e na mea ana 'āina āpau,

The Hawaii Land Surveyors Association and the Hawaii Geographic Information Coordinating Council held a joint pau hana event for our respective members last Friday, December 13, at the Blade & Timber, an axe throwing parlor in Honolulu. Fourteen of us went and no one lost a finger. So, by definition, we all had a great time.



I want to thank Christine Chaplin, the HIGICC President, for proposing the joint event, coordinating the ono food, and getting the word out. Spending some down time and getting to know the other professionals we associate with in our line of work is great for building relationships and cultivating the kinds of networks that we can all use to mitigate job stress, get answers to questions in related fields of study, and provide greater value to our clients for the services we provide them.

In the past year, your HLSA Board has prioritized its efforts toward participating in or organizing a number of relationship building events, like the HLSA workshops,

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the joint annual conference with HIGICC, the annual dinner at Bishop Museum, and informal pau hana gatherings, because the past has shown us that it's important to get to know the people we work with, do work for, and request work from. Clients benefit from greater access to surveyors with skill and experience. Contractors and suppliers benefit from knowing about the services we provide and the products and services we need to do our jobs. Surveyors benefit not only from clients that trust us and respect the work we do, but also from other surveyors helping, guiding and teaching us along our own path. In Hawaii, the thing that often makes or breaks a difficult job, a successful business, or an important deadline is who you know and how they can help. So, if you haven't been able to get out there and make some connections, especially among other surveyors whose work you are bound to retrace at some point or another, please try to make it out to one of our next HLSA events. We are pushing ahead in 2020 and we are laser focused (pun intended) on making every HLSA event, seminar, workshop and pau hana as accessible and rewarding as possible. Don't turn your fruitful journey into a long, hard, slog through a mire. Nobody likes to trek through a swamp! Especially surveyors, because we've actually done it.

With that said, I would like to announce few upcoming events.

The Annual HLSA Conference is coming up and will be held March 5th and 6th at the Dole Cannery Pomaikai Ballrooms in Iwilei. More details will be released soon along with a schedule and speaker line up. HLSA also intends to have our website ready to allow on-line registrations and membership sign-ups and renewals. We will announce when we have made that change. We still need a few more speakers, so if you know of any topics you would like to see discussed, or want to volunteer to speak, please let the HLSA Board know. You can email us at **[hlsa-hawaii@outlook.com](mailto:hlsa-hawaii@outlook.com)**.

We are still accepting nominations for the Surveyors Lifetime Achievement Award and Surveyor of the Year Award. Please feel free to fill out the form within this newsletter and send it in as soon as possible so your selection committee has time to review the applications. This is a great way to acknowledge those members who have contributed in the advancement of the surveying profession. Our awards banquet every year is to acknowledge and thank these awardees for their achievements and contributions, so let's get some nominations in!

HLSA is working with HIGICC to plan a number of outer island workshops in the summer of 2020 in conjunction with HIGICC's GeoSpatial Expo. More details will come as we finalize plans. If you have any suggestions on workshop topics you would like to see discussed, please let the HLSA Board know. You can email us at **[hlsa-hawaii@outlook.com](mailto:hlsa-hawaii@outlook.com)**.

HLSA has planned a 2020 Workshop covering Hawaiian Land Titles that will be held at the Entrepreneurs Sandbox in Kakaako, 643 Ilalo St., Honolulu, HI 96813, on Saturday, January 25, 2020 from 9:30am to 2:30pm. The Workshop will be led by Pat, Mary, and Meyer Cummins, and will go over topics such as the Board of Commissioners to Quiet Land Titles, the Mahele of 1848, the Kuleana Act of 1850, and the Office of the Boundary Commission. Please bring \$6 cash if you wish to park on the lot. Otherwise, street parking is available. Lunch can be brought from home, or for those who bring cash, HLSA will be ordering lunch from Zippy's Restaurant. Coffee and drinks will be provided by HLSA.

**Please RSVP to [hlsa-hawaii@outlook.com](mailto:hlsa-hawaii@outlook.com) by January 17, 2020, or call Joanne Williamson at 436-6725. Seating is limited.**

Mahalo and Mele Kalikimaka,  
Meyer Cummins, LPLS  
2019 HLSA President

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## HLSA ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### **VENDORS & SPEAKERS NEEDED FOR 2020 ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

Please join us for our upcoming **2020 Annual Hawaii Land Surveyors Conference** which will be held at the Pomaikai Ballrooms at Dole Cannery Iwilei on March 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020. We're looking for vendors that would like to participate in the opportunity to showcase their products to our surveying community. It's a great way to meet new people and expand your clientele. For further information and for registration forms please email [hlsa-hawaii@outlook.com](mailto:hlsa-hawaii@outlook.com). Don't hesitate, those who submit their registration forms paid in full get first choice to where they would like to be situated in the foyer. We look forward to seeing you there!

Our past vendors that have participated over the years...

**Aerotas**  
**Bentley Systems**  
**Carlson Software**  
**Dudek**  
**ESRI**  
**Frontier Precision**  
**Hawaii State Energy Office**  
**Hubs Hawaii**  
**JAVAD**  
**Pacific GPS**  
**Spectra Precision**  
**Stantec**  
**Surveyors Supply Co.**

Not only are we looking for vendors, but we also need speakers that would like to volunteer their time to help impact our profession. The speaker's session is 50-minutes long. If your topic may need an extra session, please contact us as soon as possible so we can assist you. Conference attendees have valued the information they received from these sessions. It helps our Land Surveyors grow and better themselves in the profession. For further information and for registration forms please email [hlsa-hawaii@outlook.com](mailto:hlsa-hawaii@outlook.com). Please submit your registration forms as soon as possible, this will help you get a spot on the schedule of your choice.

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# HLSA ANNOUNCEMENTS

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## **FOR PODCAST LISTENERS**

**SURVEYOR SAYS** NSPS THE PODCAST Hosted by: NSPS Executive Director Curt Sumner

*“A weekly podcast featuring all things surveying!”*

Available on Podbean, iTunes, Spotify and Google Podcasts and at

<https://surveyorsays.podbean.com/>

**THE GEOHOLICS** Hosted by: Kent Groh, PLS, Ryan Kelly, CP and Producer Jake

*“Our mission is to provide listeners with a light-hearted yet serious perspective on the life of a geomatics professional. Topics will cover the spectrum of these great professions and related interests with few limitations. Listeners can count on being entertained and educated! Did I mention that we already have 3000 listeners?!?!?” -Kent Groh, PLS*

*If anyone is interested in coming on as a guest they are now setup to do so remotely.*

You can reach them at [info@thegeoholics.com](mailto:info@thegeoholics.com)

And keep a look out, they may take the show on the road during the 2020 conference season.

Available on Apple Podcasts, Spotify, Podbean and at [thegeoholics.com](http://thegeoholics.com)

## **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

**Shimmick/Traylor/Granite JV** is looking for a Full-time Survey Manager. This Manager shall be a Hawaii State Professional Land Surveyor. This person shall provide direct supervision of all surveying and field engineering services.

For more information or interest please contact:

**Thomas Jackson**, Quality Manager

Airport Guideway and Stations Design-Build

[tjackson@traylor.com](mailto:tjackson@traylor.com)

[tjackson@stgjv.com](mailto:tjackson@stgjv.com)

Hawaii Land Surveyor's Association

# 2019 HLSA PHOTO CONTEST

Photographer: John Akina, PLS



*"Land Surveying in Paradise"*



## SHOOT YOUR BEST SHOT ENTER TO WIN CASH!

Winners to be announced at the  
2020 HLSA Conference  
March 5-6, 2020

Applicants must be HLSA members, not a member?  
Visit us at [www.hlsahawaii.org](http://www.hlsahawaii.org)

For more information and rules, please e-mail: [hlsa-hawaii@outlook.com](mailto:hlsa-hawaii@outlook.com)



## FINALISTS FEATURED ON HLSA WEBSITE

HLSA RESERVES THE RIGHT TO USE ANY SUBMITTED PHOTO FOR FUTURE PUBLICATION WITHOUT YOUR CONSENT

**ENTRIES DUE 02/28/2020**  
multiple entries allowed!

**Classic Shooters**

E-mail your entry:

[hlsa-hawaii@outlook.com](mailto:hlsa-hawaii@outlook.com)

**Instagram Shooters**

1) Follow our page:

@hi\_land\_surveyors\_association

2) Post your winning shot!

3) Tag #2019HLSAPhotoContest



PRESENTS...

## PRE-HLSA Annual Conference Workshop

### Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS)

# PART 107 PRIMER

Wednesday, March 4<sup>th</sup> 2020 – Cost \$75.00

1<sup>st</sup> Session 8-12pm

2<sup>nd</sup> Session 1-5pm

12-1pm LUNCH BREAK

(Small lunch and drinks will be provided)

- ❖ UAS General Discussion & Examples
- ❖ Hawaii Revised Statute, Chapter 464
- ❖ Remote Pilot (Part 107) – Study Guide & Test Prep
  - Airspace, Weather, Aircraft loading, Crew Resource Management, Radio Commo, Physiological Factors, Sectional Charts, etc...
- ❖ Sample Part 107 questions

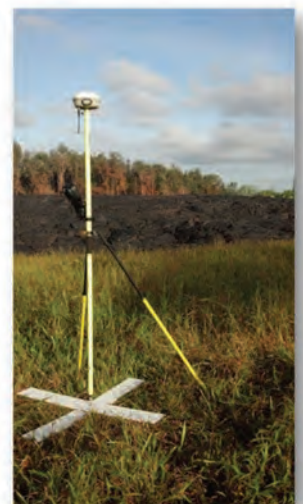


**\*\*RSVP SOON\*\*** Space is limited

Instructor: Victor M. Rasgado, PLS  
Stantec

Location: Frontier Precision Office  
2144 Auiki Street  
Honolulu, HI 96819  
808.465.3893

**Pau Hana to follow (details to come)**



Members have spoken and we are listening! To fill the void left by the ending this past July of the NSPS Radio Hour, the weekly radio show hosted by Executive Director Curt Sumner, we are proud to announce our new podcast, **“SURVEYOR SAYS!”** featuring all things surveying.

# SURVEYOR SAYS!



<https://surveyorsays.podbean.com/>

# Surveyor of the Year

## Nomination Form

A prestigious award to acknowledge those members who have given of themselves in a special way by their exceptional contributions to the advancement of the surveying profession and their outstanding service in civic and community affairs. Their technical and professional accomplishments including their current activities as a surveyor are also recognized.

Sponsors submitting a nomination must be a licensed land surveyor in the State of Hawaii and a member of the Hawaii Land Surveyors Association.

### Eligibility Requirements:

- a. Licensed land surveyor in the State of Hawaii
- b. Resident of Hawaii
- c. Must be a member of the Hawaii Land Surveyors Association
- d. No prior record of disciplinary action by the State of Hawaii and DCCA
- e. No prior felony convictions



1. \_\_\_\_\_  
(name of nominee) (company name)

2. Contributions to the Surveying Profession: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

3. Community Service and Activities: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

4. Technical and Professional Accomplishments: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

5. Professional Organizations and Involvement: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

6. Please list two (2) references of the nominee:

_____	_____	_____
(first, last name)	(company)	(phone number)
_____	_____	_____
(first, last name)	(company)	(phone number)

7. Name of Sponsor making nomination: \_\_\_\_\_ phone: \_\_\_\_\_

(please mail nomination forms to HLSA, P.O. Box 2981, Honolulu, HI 96802)  
deadline to submit is December 6<sup>th</sup>



# Hawaii Land Surveyors Association

## **SURVEYORS LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**

### **WHO IS ELIGIBLE?**

Any member or past member of the Hawaii Land Surveyors Association in good standing is eligible for nomination for the Lifetime Achievement Award. Nominee must be a licensed surveyor in the State of Hawaii and a current resident. If a person has received a Lifetime Achievement Award, he or she is not eligible to receive the same award again.

### **NOMINATION PROCESS**

Nominations will only be deemed valid when submitted on an official Lifetime Achievement Award Nomination Form by December 6th.

### **SELECTION COMMITTEE**

The selection committee shall be comprised of 3 surveyors who are members in good standing with HLSA and appointed to a 2 year term by the President of HLSA.

### **SELECTION CRITERIA**

The following guidelines will be used in, but not limited to, making a selection:

1. A record of commitment and business success in the surveying profession
2. Contributions over an extended period of time, as opposed to a single or short-term effort
3. Integrity and character deserving of the award
4. Currently or previously held a position of leadership within his/her corporation, business, or government agency

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Name of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Education: \_\_\_\_\_

Business/Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe how the nominee meets the guidelines for this award:

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Sponsor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

(pls mail nomination forms to HLSA, PO Box 2981, Honolulu, HI 96802 by Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>)