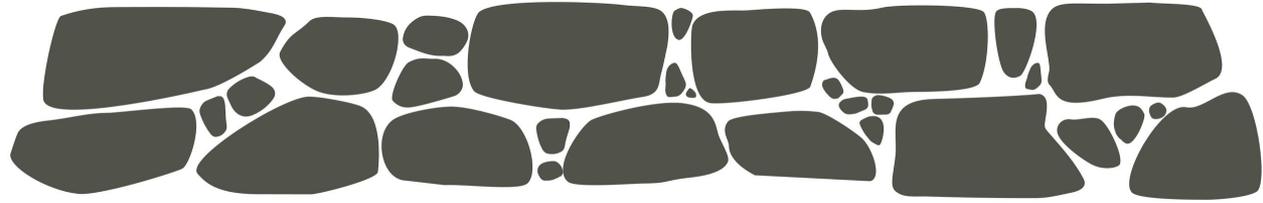


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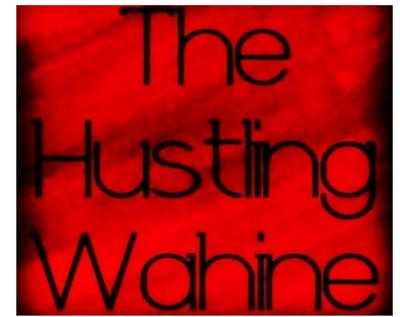


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Angela Costa, The Hustling Wahine



Quick-Pitch: I am Angela Costa, owner of The Hustling Wahine, LLC. We help individuals who are dealing with various economic and societal issues to alleviate the stressors that are in the way of achieving their goals.

Bio: Angela Costa is originally from O'ahu and currently living on the Puna side of the Big Island. She is a proud 2002 graduate of Kaimuki High School (Goooo BULLDOGS!) and obtained her Medical Assistant diploma from Hawai'i Business College in 2006. Since 2008, Angela has been working in the medical and social services fields specializing in the foster youth, homeless, mentally ill, and substance abuse recovery populations.

Mission Statement: To provide effective and efficient services to individuals looking to move forward in life while instilling hope and motivation.

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CURTIS CRABBE-AKAMAI ELECTRICAL SERVICES



Quick-Pitch: Curtis N K Crabbe-I am a Native Hawaiian Businessman since 1979, I desire to expand my business to my Ohana and share my knowledge/experience with them into perpetuity

Bio: I am a third generation licensed electrician and 2 of my sons are also. My other two sons have a MA Communications and BS Sports Medicine and are self-employed also. Collectively we will form Akamai Electrical Services into a LLC where myself and four sons will be involved as principals.

Mission Statement: Akamai Electrical Services will operate as a licensed Electrical contractor in the State of Hawaii in primarily government sectors of business. These markets include Federal, State of Hawaii and various Counties of Hawaii. We will also participate in other commercial and the private sectors likewise.

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Hopena Pokipala & Allie Chu & Julie Chu, Oysters Hawaii



Quick-Pitch: There are three owners of Oysters Hawaii: Allie Chu, CEO, Julie Chu, COO, and Hopena Pokipala, President. We are a mobile oyster catering company offering an exciting and unique service to private parties, weddings, and corporate events. We source high quality oysters and offer an array of condiments made with premium local ingredients. Our oyster chefs are extensively trained to provide a sophisticated shucking experience you will never forget. Let's have a good shucking time!

Bio:

- Hopena Pokipala is from Kailua, Oahu. He graduated from Kamehameha Schools '12 and attended Santa Barbara City College, and later UH Mānoa, where he earned his B.A. in international business and marketing from the Shidler College of Business.
- Allie Chu was the valedictorian of her class at Kalani High School, and graduated with honors from the University of Hawaii at Mānoa with a B.S. in Psychology. She is a former Miss Hawaii USA 2021 and Miss Hawaii 2016.
- Julie Chu graduated from the University of Hawaii at Mānoa with her Bachelor's in Elementary Education and a minor in Communicology. She is also a former Miss Hawaii USA 2018

Mission Statement: Oysters Hawaii's mission is to provide exquisite oysters in an exciting and unforgettable way.

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Harley Tunac & Jason Chow, The Local General Store



Quick-Pitch: I am Harley & Jason Chow. We help bridge the gap between local farmers and consumers to increase accessibility of locally grown and raised meats, produce, and sundries in order to establish food security.

Bio: We were both born and raised in Honolulu, Hawaii. Harley Chow (Tunac) attended the University of San Francisco where she graduated with her Bachelor of Science in Biology with a minor in Neuroscience. Tired of studying for the MCATs and defying all her parents wishes, she decided to pursue her real passion of baking. She worked in various bakeries, restaurants in San Francisco and Chicago. Jason graduated with a degree in Biology from the University of Hawaii. After working in Marine Conservation, he pursued his passion for cooking and worked in many restaurant on Oahu. His passion lead him to learn whole animal butchery in Berkeley, California at The Local Butcher Shop. Harley and Jason met at Aina, a restaurant in San Francisco, CA. There, Harley was the pastry chef and Jason was the butcher. We moved back home in 2019 and started this business together.

Mission Statement: The Local General Store's mission is to increase community accessibility to local meat by working directly with local ranchers and highlighting local produce in our bakery items.

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John McGough, Hau'oli Pastry



Quick-Pitch: I am John Hau'olimaikalani McGough, owner of Hau'oli Pastry LLC I help Schools And Keiki Based Organizations to raise funds so they can purchase necessary equipment and/or contribute to travel costs .

Bio: Native Hawaiian Business owner, Born & raised on O'ahu. Classically trained in French Pastry at Le Cordon Bleu, and graduated with honors, Summa Cum Laude. I've worked in Pastry at The Bellagio in Las Vegas. Returning To O'ahu, I worked at the Halekulani, Nobu, 3660 on the rise, and The Plaza Club Downtown. I started Hau'oli Pastry in 2011 doing high-end Desserts and Cakes, and in 2017 i decided to work on the Mochisada. The rest is history.

Mission Statement: To uplift with deserts desserts, and lead by example and show our Keiki that as Native Hawaiians, we are Strong, we are smart and weather worthy.

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Juanita Wolfgramm, Akahai Consulting



Quick-Pitch: I am Nita Wolfgramm, owner of Akahai Consulting Inc. I help the federal government with engineering services, project management and other services so a local Hawaii-owned company can provide federal agencies contract services.

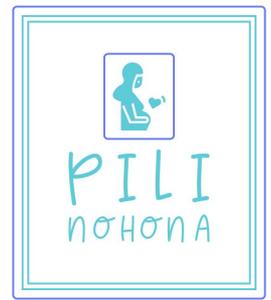
Bio: Nita Wolfgramm is a Professional Engineer. She graduated from Kamehameha Schools and attended college at University of Hawaii at Manoa, where she earned her Bachelor of Science in Civil and Environmental Engineering, along with her Bachelor of Arts in Hawaiian Language. She worked as an engineer for over 15 years with private consulting firms and the City and County of Honolulu. She is working towards building Akahai Consulting Inc. to become part of the SBA 8(a) Business Development Program and contract work with the federal government.

Mission Statement: We want to provide opportunities for locally owned businesses to do work with the federal government and keep the federal funding within Hawaii.

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Nicolette Choi, Pili Nohona



Quick-Pitch: I am Nicolette Choi, owner of Pili Nohona. I help provide a safe place for single, pregnant women to heal and grow so they can build a bright future for themselves and their keiki.

Bio: Nicolette Choi is a wife and mother of 5. She graduated from Leeward Community College with honors, and is currently a Presidential Scholar at the University of Mānoa where she is pursuing her BA in Interdisciplinary Studies. She actively volunteers as a mentor with Ho'ōla Nā Pua, which is a non-profit that serves sexually exploited youth. She is passionate about helping families in Hawai'i to break generational trauma and building a better future for the children of Hawai'i.

Mission Statement: Pili Nohona exists to facilitate healing, dignity, and hope to pregnant women and their children in order to cultivate healthy families.

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Numela Makinano, Mana Movers LLC



Quick-Pitch: Aloha! I am Numela Makinano, Co-Owner of Mana Movers LLC. We are a family owned business that specializes in servicing the island of O‘ahu with local moving services. We ease the process of moving so that our customers can simply relax and focus on all the other important tasks that come with relocating.

Bio: Numela Makinano of Nānākuli, Wai‘anae is a wife and mother of 2. She is the Co-Owner and Office Manager of Mana Movers LLC. She has graduated from Ke Kula Kaiapuni ‘o Ānuenue. After years of working for others she was inspired to become a kanaka-preneur, starting a family owned moving company. She strives to represent her ‘ohana (family) and lāhui (culture) through her works. Our vision for Mana Movers is to become the leading moving company in the pae ‘āina of Hawai‘i and to perpetuate Hawaiian culture in all that we do.

Mission Statement: We are here to take the load off of your shoulders. Experience the quality and productivity of the professional moving services of Mana Movers.

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Precious James, Pono Clean-Up Crew



Quick-Pitch: I am Precious James, member of Pono Clean-Up Crew, LLC. We help kūpuna and the people of Hawai'i to provide cleaning services of their homes and businesses so they can take care of other kuleana.

Bio: Precious is from Ewa Beach, graduate of CFS Hale O Ulu. She is a single mother of 13-year-old twins. Prior to starting Pono Clean-Up Crew, she worked at FedEx for 7 years. No matter the long hours and hard work she put in, she still was unable to take care of her 'ohana financially. In February 2020, she took the leap and left FedEx to start Pono Clean-Up Crew; she never looked back. Her vision is to be one of the leading Kanaka owned cleaning companies that serves Hawai'i and her people. Pono Clean-Up Crew; Solid Work from Solid People.

Mission Statement: Our mission at Pono Clean-Up Crew is to provide affordable, quality cleaning services for Hawai'i's people, especially our kūpuna.

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Puanani (Nani) Carroll, O Baby Keiki



Quick-Pitch: I am Nani, owner of O Baby Keiki. I help parents and keiki that have diverse interests to find family products so they can have fun with what they wear and play with.

Bio: Nani Carroll is a hapa Hawaiian mother, wife and small business owner. A graduate of Kamehameha Schools, she works to integrate her native culture as well as other local cultures into her business with a touch of humor. With a BFA in fashion design in 2010, she found that there was no space for a fashion startup in Hawaii at the time. So thus began her administrative career, ranging from HR receptionist through to Strategic Analyst. In 2016 an opportunity to bridge her two backgrounds surfaced, and she became a production manager in a local clothing company. Today, she works in Kakaako by day, and moms along with running her small business, O Baby Keiki, by night and weekend.

Mission Statement: A growing brand made for the local keiki.

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Rebekkah Quinlan, Q Catering Services



Quick-Pitch: I am Rebekkah Quinlan, owner of Q Catering Services. I help families and organizations with all their food catering needs , specializing in Hawaiian food from set up to break down so they can focus on their event or celebrations.

Bio: Rebekkah and Bill Quinlan along with their family have provided catering services for numerous events. What started out as just helping family and friends has flourished into a thriving passion. Rebekkah is currently a full time employee of Hawaii Gas and Bill is a driver for OTS. On their free time they enjoy spending time with their grandchildren and volunteering their time to the Papakolea Community. They also help youth groups with fundraising opportunities.

Mission Statement: To provide quality product and services with Aloha.

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Zabrina and Ipolani Zablan-Duvauchelle, The Gay Agenda Collective



Quick-Pitch: We are Sabrina and Ipolani Zablan-Duvauchelle and we own The Gay Agenda Collective (TGA). We specialize in creating space for the LGBTQ+ community in the wedding and event industry through thoughtful planning, so that our community can feel included, represented, and celebrated.

Bio: Sabrina Zablan-Duvauchelle is the CEO and Founder of The Gay Agenda Collective. She graduated from Kamehameha Kapalama and received her Bachelor's degree at Azusa Pacific University. In the midst of planning her own wedding in 2018, Sabrina experienced first-hand the lack of understanding, representation, and consideration within the industry. Using her experience in the restaurant and service industry, TGA was formed. Ipolani Duvauchelle is the Operations Manager of TGA. Her BA in Community Development, has prepared her for the *Business to Business* education platform, which is a main pillar of the company.



Mission Statement: To create space for Queer folk/Mahui in the wedding and event industry, and to educate other professionals on all things queer.

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