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YOUTH AND PRESERVATION PROFESSIONALS TEAM UP TO SHARE HAWAII'S HISTORIC PLACES & PUBLIC ART ON NEW ONLINE PLATFORM Hawai'i Capital Historic District Story Map Tour & Reception, January 26, to Showcase Project

HONOLULU–Historic Hawai'i Foundation (HHF), Cultural Surveys Hawai'i and students from Mid-Pacific Institute have created a "Story Map" of the Hawai'i Capital Historic District. It includes significant buildings and a selection of public art pieces to showcase the design and history of the district. The Story Map is a browser-based technology using the power of maps and geography combined with narrative text, images and multimedia content to help tell a story. The collaborative project pairs Cultural Surveys' GIS technology and technical expertise with research and content provided by HHF. Students from Mid-Pacific Institute's Historic Preservation class supplemented the Story Map by highlighting public art pieces from the collections of the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts' Art in Public Places and the Mayor's Office of Culture and the Arts.

A tour and reception will launch the collaborative "Story Map Project" on Saturday, January 26 from 2:30 to 5:30 p.m. The event, which is open to the public, will offer the chance to experience the Story Map from a tablet or smartphone on a self-guided tour. Volunteer docents will share art, architectural and cultural history at stops along the route from 2:30 to 4:00 p.m. A pūpū reception at the Hawai'i State Art Museum café, Artizen by MW, will follow from 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. Tickets are \$35 for HHF Members, \$45 for General Admission.

Kiersten Faulkner, Historic Hawai'i Foundation Executive Director, said, "The Story Map is a technical platform and creative tool that allows us to share the rich history, architecture and public art that comprises the Hawai'i Capital Historic District in a convenient way that is accessible to anyone with a smart phone or tablet. The event will offer the public an opportunity to learn more about the unique attributes of this district including the fact that it offers one of the most cohesive and concentrated architectural styles in the state of Hawai'i. The district was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1976. Partnering with students from Mid-Pacific Institute's Historic Preservation class is an opportunity for the next generation to engage firsthand with Hawaii's history via technology. Cultural Surveys Hawai'i's extraordinary mapping capabilities and extensive archive of data inspired the project and made it possible."

Tickets are required and may be purchased online at

<u>https://historichawaii.org/2018/12/28/storymaptourevent/</u> Metered parking is available near 'Iolani Palace. Parking is also available at the Ali'i Place Parking Garage located at 1099 Alakea Street near the Hotel Street intersection in downtown Honolulu.

Historic Hawaii Foundation (HHF): Helping People Preserve Historic Places.

HHF is the only statewide non-profit organization solely dedicated to preserving the historic buildings, sites, communities and objects that tell the unique stories of Hawai'i's multilayered history. Founded in 1974, HHF has become the driving force behind historic preservation in the state through its core programs of developing a community ethic of historic preservation, supporting smart legislation, offering educational events and training for local communities and providing technical assistance to make preservation accessible.

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Cultural Surveys Hawai'i:

Cultural Surveys Hawai'i (CSH), founded in 1982 by Dr. Hallett H. Hammatt, is a cultural resource management company with offices on O'ahu, Kaua'i, Maui, and Hawai'i. Currently, the company staff of over 80 includes: archaeologists, cultural researchers, historians, GIS technicians and support staff. This breadth of experience and expertise, along with office locations in all four counties, gives us the flexibility to provide qualified personnel for projects through the islands, no matter how large or small.

Website: http://www.culturalsurveys.com/

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