

# 2013 Post-RFA Orientation

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Hawaii State Art Museum, Multipurpose Room

Doug Muraoka as President



# Welcome!

- \* Housekeeping
  - \* Virtual attendees: Please remain muted
- \* Instructions for asking questions (also located on the back of your agenda)
- \* All materials will be posted online

# Introductions

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# Pre-RFA Orientation Recap

Tom Hutton,  
Executive Director



# Conversation Continues...

- \* Sept. 6: Pre-RFA Orientation:
  - Overview of chartering in Hawaii generally
  - Preview of this application cycle
- \* Sept. 12: Commission approves final RFA
- \* Sept. 20: Commission formally publishes RFA
- \* Today: Focus on RFA contents, application process

# Highlights from Pre-RFA Session

- \* One theme: This application process is difficult
  - But much easier than running a successful school
  - The process helps the applicant go in with eyes open
- \* Speaking of eyes wide open: provided some legal and financial context, as well as strategic considerations for future charter schools
- \* Q&A
- \* If you weren't able to participate, worth reviewing

# Where do I find all this?

- \* [www.chartercommission.hawaii.gov](http://www.chartercommission.hawaii.gov)
- \* Drag-down menu from “Information” button
- \* Click on “Starting a Charter School”
- \* Sign up for e-mail list
- \* Video and materials from these orientations
- \* RFA, evaluation criteria, etc.
- \* More informational resources over time
- \* Q&A from orientations and other questions received

# Today

- \* Applying
- \* The Application
- \* Commission decisions
- \* Additional insights from most recent successful applications
- \* Like last time you'll hear from several members of our team, but your contact going forward: **Kenyon Tam**



# Some Perspective

- \* It's a long and involved application
- \* Public education is a complex and difficult endeavor
- \* But step back for moment:

Chartering presents a truly remarkable opportunity to make a powerful contribution to our children and to Hawaii