

W A I K I K I SURF CLUB

PAST SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS!

2009 Recipients

Mahie Kane Girls 12 (1st year member)
Hilina'i Kane Girls 12 (1st year member)
Brandy Peltier Girls 12 (2nd year member)
Hau'oli Tabanera Girls 12 (1st year member)
Aaron Peltier Boys 13 (2nd year member)
Kaleopaa Vares Boys 13 (2nd year member)
Tiara Bethel Girls 14 (1st year member)
Samantha Tavares Girls 15 (1st year member)
Saantha Leong Girls 18 (4th year member)
Elizabeth Leong Girls 18 (4th year member)

2002 Recipients

Girls 16 Kaili Keola
Girls 16 Tehina Wright
Boys 13 Kapena Naauao-Kipapa
Girls 13 Kanoa Naauao-Kipapa
Boys 13 Robert Suliman
Girls 15 Nani Suliman
Girls 16 Tristen Kumashiro
Girls 13 Kehaulani Bowers
Girls 13 Kilinahe Kaawaloa
Girls 13 Waiyanuhea Lyau
Boys 13 Kekoa Lyau
Boys 13 Mahi Crabbe
Boys 13 Ahukini Fuertes
Girls 13 Britney Lasconia

2001 Recipients

William Bow Boys 16 Full Scholarship

"I have been paddling for Waikiki Surf Club for three years now and would like to continue my progress in the sport of Hawaiian canoe racing, which is why I am applying for the Shirley Ann Kalaniopua Nakamura Memorial Fund Scholarship. Paddling for Surf Club has been a great experience for me in the past, allowing me to meet many new people, and have a lot of fun at the same time. I feel that many canoe clubs have been drifting away from the close family bond and pure enjoyment of the sport. For this reason I would like to continue paddling for Waikiki Surf Club, which I feel is small enough to know everyone, yet big enough to compete with larger clubs, while still having fun. In the past three years I have become quite attached to Waikiki Surf Club and feel it is a part of me. This bond is what paddling is all about, thus I hope I am awarded the Shirley Ann Kalaniopua Nakamura Memorial Fund Scholarship, so I can continue the bond which binds all members of Waikiki Surf Club."

Kaili Keola Girls 15 Full Scholarship

"I enjoy paddling very much. I have been paddling canoe since the fifth grade. I enjoy paddling because it teaches me discipline and it brings me to the ocean. Paddling is relaxing and helps me relieve stress."

Joshua Gora-Aina Boys 16 Full Scholarship

"I have been paddling for Waikiki Surf Club for three years and I really enjoy paddling and working out. I enjoy paddling because I am Hawaiian and this sport is a part of my Hawaiian culture."

Maka'ala Na'auao Boys 16 Full Scholarship

"I have been paddling for Waikiki Surf Club for 5 years and I like to paddle because it always reminds me of my Hawaiian culture and I love to paddle. I am applying for this scholarship to help my parents so that they don't have to pay for my sister and I to paddle this summer."

Luukia Keaunui Girls 18 Partial Scholarship

"I have been paddling now for the past ten years at Waikiki Surf Club. When I first started paddling, Auntie Shirley Nakamura had a great impact on our club. Not only was she a coach, but also the best MOM. Everyday after practice Auntie Shirley always had some sort of snack for us, and after the Kaneohe Marine Base every year, she always made sure that we could come over to spend the day at their pool. These are just some of the great memories that I remember about Auntie Shirley because she was such a beautiful person, both inside and out. I only wish that I could be just like her some day. I believe that I should be a recipient of the Shirley Ann Kalaniopua Nakamura Memorial Fund Scholarship so that I too can participate in the one sport that Auntie Shirley loved, paddling!"

Uluwehi Keaunui Boys 13 Partial Scholarship

"I am 11 years old and I have been paddling for Waikiki Surf Club for three years. The thing that I enjoyed the most was making friends every year new paddlers come and join. My favorite coaches are Nana, Auntie Luana and Coach Leighton. Coach Leighton was my favorite because he gave me shoes and a paddle cover!"

Kamakana Keola Girls 13 Partial Scholarship

"I like to swim and do math. I really want to paddle but we don't have a lot of money. When I was younger I watched my sister Kaili go all over with her paddling friends to paddle, now it's my turn to paddle, I don't know how to paddle but I want to learn. I am 10 years old and in the 4th grade."