



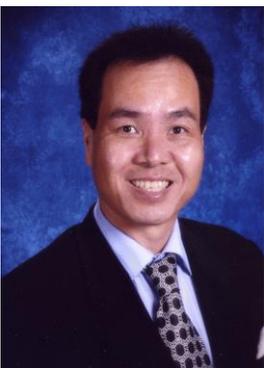
The Honorees

Our 2016 honorees are aptly described by the phrase, *“the best of best.”* Their professional accomplishments allow each of them to stand at the top of their fields as each has reached the pinnacle of success. Their life-long commitment to service-giving is indicative of why they are so deserving of the Kina’ole Award. It is our privilege to recognize each of these recipients for perpetuating the spirit of Kina’ole in all that they do.



Carrie Sato began her 30 year teaching career in 1975 at Moanalua High School where she taught Social Studies and Japanese. She, along with Faye Chase, served as Co-Advisors for the MoHS Class of 1979. She later moved on to teach at Kaimuki High School, Niu Valley Middle School, and Kaiser High School. After 30 years in the classroom, she moved on to the DOE Administration as a State Office Teacher. She has a BA and M. Ed. from UH Manoa and recently earned her Ed. D. from USC in Educational Administration. She has been married to the same wonderful man for 45 years and became a grandmother in 2015.

Gwen Mau began her teaching career in Seattle in 1974 and began teaching in Hawai’i in 1977. She came to MoHS in 1990, where she taught English and founded Moanalua’s first debate team. Prior to coming to Moanalua, she taught at several Oahu High Schools and in 1989 received the Leeward District Teacher of the Year. In 1992, she became the College and Career Counselor at MoHS. She initiated the annual Moanalua High School Awards Night, where MoHS students are honored for their academic achievements. She retired in 2012. She attended the University of Hawai’i at Manoa and the University of Washington. She is the proud mom of two wonderful children, Aaron and Beth.



Kelvin Chun is a 1977 MoHS graduate and an award winning educator, magician, balloon sculptor and kite enthusiast. He recently retired after serving over 30 years in the DOE. In addition to being a mathematics teacher and librarian at various schools, Chun was the State Computer Educational Specialist at the Office of Instructional Services and a Leeward District Technology Resource Teacher planning curriculum and training teachers in the use of technology. Amongst his many honors are the Disney American Teacher Award, All USA Today 2000 First Teacher Team, the Honolulu District Y2K Teacher of the Year, the International Brotherhood of Magicians' Stage Finalist, and Society of American Magicians' Close-Up Finalist. Chun is currently volunteering as a Board of Director for the HawaiiUSA Federal Credit Union. He has a BBA and M.Ed. from UH Manoa.

Patrick Ching graduated from MoHS in 1980. In his senior year, he painted the mural “Na Makani O Moanalua” which still hangs in the cafeteria today. In 1998, he created the Moanalua Memories mural at the Salt Lake Library. He is widely recognized as one of the most influential nature artists in Hawai’i. In addition to drawing and painting horses, Ching also rides horses as a long time horseman and rodeo athlete. He has authored many award winning books including *Sea Turtles of Hawaii*, *The Hawaiian Monk Seal*, and *The Story of Hina*. He designed the 1986 Hawaiian Telephone’s phone book cover of Haley’s Comet. In 1996 Patrick opened Naturally Hawaiian Gallery and Art School in Waimanalo and in 2008 opened his second gallery in Princeville, Kauai. He attended the Otis/Parsons Art Institute in Los Angeles, Leeward Community College and UH Manoa.

