

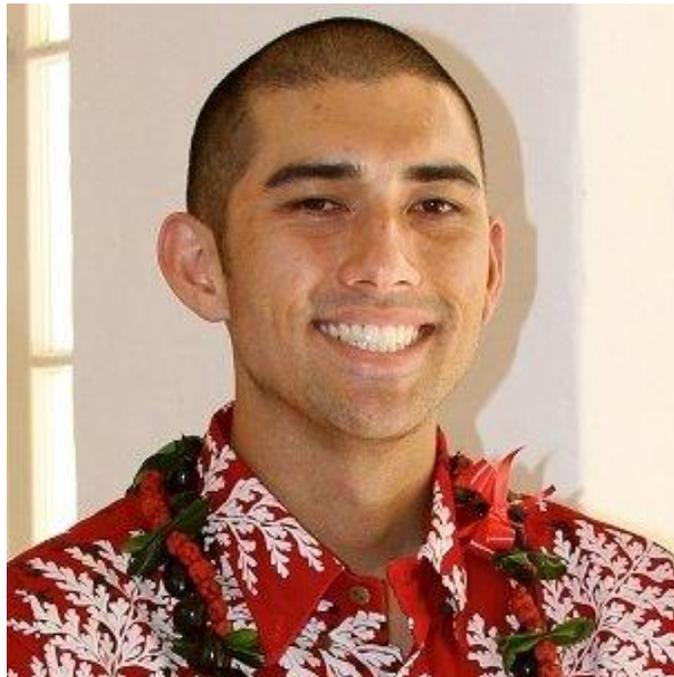
Welcome New Certified Planners in Hawaii'i

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Please congratulate the following local planners who passed the
AICP written examination in May 2016!

Jeffrey Seastrom

Jeffrey Seastrom is an Architect / Planner at Group 70 International in Honolulu, Hawaii'i. Jeff is a graduate of the University of California at Berkeley, majoring in architecture and minoring in city and regional planning. After working for architecture firms in Northern California, he obtained architecture licenses in both California and Hawaii'i, and moved home in 2012. After working in Group 70's architecture department, he transitioned into a hybrid planner role and has been working on architecture and planning projects ever since. In his free time he enjoys sports, music, giving back to where he grew up in Puna, and traveling the world with his fiancée.



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Makena White

Makena White has worked at Planning Solutions, Inc. as a planner, GIS technician, and graphic artist since 2000. He also has primary responsibility for most of the firm's report and presentation graphics and for integrating the use of GIS information into its work products. He has conducted fieldwork for a wide range of projects and has been responsible for preparing reports, plans, and data summaries for those efforts. Projects on which he has worked include those related to environmental planning and permitting, utility management, habitat conservation planning, park master planning, and alternative energy project investigations. Makena received his Bachelor of Arts from the University of Hawai'i at Manoa and his Master of Science from Chaminade University of Honolulu.



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Melissa White

Melissa White is a Senior Planner at SSFM International with a decade of experience in environmental and community planning in Hawai'i. She has worked on a wide variety of projects for public and private sector clients, including long-range community planning, disaster planning, economic development, renewable energy, endangered species, electric utility projects, habitat creation, and water quality restoration projects. In Melissa's capacity as Co-Founder of the Hawai'i Fashion Incubator (HIFI) since 2006, she works with community and government partners to build community and provide resources to support the growth of Hawai'i's fashion industry. She oversees HIFI's operations and initiatives including Hawai'i Fashion Month, the COOP incubator, and the Hawai'i Fashion Exchange, a membership network for the fashion industry. A common thread in her work is bringing together diverse stakeholders around collaborative projects that address shared needs and goals.



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AICP Membership

The American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP) is the professional arm of the American Planning Association (APA). AICP certifies practicing city, regional, and rural planners and promotes continuing education, ethics, and professional development. To join AICP, members must submit an application to APA to see if they qualify to take the written examination. The exam is routinely offered during a two-week period in May and November of each year.

For eligibility requirements and other information about AICP and the exam, please visit the national APA website: www.planning.org/aicp. If you are eligible to take the exam and need assistance in preparing for it, please contact Professor Peter Flachsbaart, Ph.D., AICP, either by telephone (956-8684) or email (flachsba@hawaii.edu) at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa. As APA Hawai'i Chapter's Professional Development Officer, Peter typically offers review sessions several weeks prior to the exam, if there is sufficient demand.