

Palau Community College MESEKIU'S NEWS



Three PCC Students Share Their Once in a Lifetime Experience in Japan

PCC Student Deams Gulibert Received First Aid & CPR Certification



Student of Health & Physical Education, Deams Gulibert, received his First Aid and CPR certification through Palau Red Cross earlier this month after completing HP181 First Aid and CPR in the Fall of 2022. HP181 is a general education course at PCC that teaches basic First Aid and CPR and upon completion of the course,

students may request a certification card through Palau Allins Nbouo.

PCC Researcher Appointed Island Innovation Ambassador

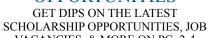


Palau Community College researcher and instructor, Richard Page, with PCC's Research Extension Department (PCC-CRE) was appointed as Island Innovation Ambassador by the Island Innovation Council and the United Nations Small Island Developing States

(UN SIDS) Working Group.

The Island Innovation Ambassador represents a collection of organizations that work to promote the... See Researcher Appointed on page 3

OPPORTUNITIES





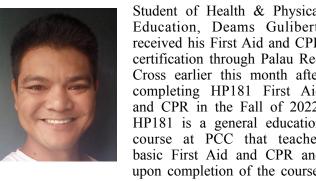
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INTERESTING STUFF READ ABOUT ALUMNI UPDATES. SPECIAL

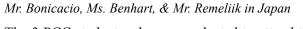








Red Cross. Learn more about the program by checking out the PCC website or call and ask for Instructor



The 3 PCC students who were selected to attend the Japan East-Asia Exchange for Students and Youths Program (JENESYS) presented lessons they learned from their trip to Japan at the Japan Embassy at Ngerkebesang, Koror. The JENESYS program is a cultural exchange project funded by the Government of Japan. See Three PCC Students on page 3

PCC Charter Day Organizing Committee Prepares for Charter Day

The PCC Charter Day Organizing Committee led by Chairman Larry Wakakaroro and representatives from different PCC departments and organizations, including the Associated Students of Palau Community College (ASPCC) have started to prepare for the upcoming PCC Charter Day on Fri. Mar. 31, 2023. The Committee has lined up fun events for students, faculty, staff, and community members. Be on the look out for event flyers and announcements.

HAPPENINGS

CHECK OUT UPCOMING EVENTS AROUND THE CAMPUS ON PG. 2

Free Health Screening

Phi Theta Kappa Induction

Palau Community College is an accessible comprehensive public educational institution helping to meet the technical, academic, cultural, social, and economic needs of students and communities by promoting learning opportunities and developing personal excellence.

BRAIN MUNCHIES

"It's like little snacks for your brain."

Each week we'll explore, unpack, or poke around a topic that may be of interest to our students and readers.

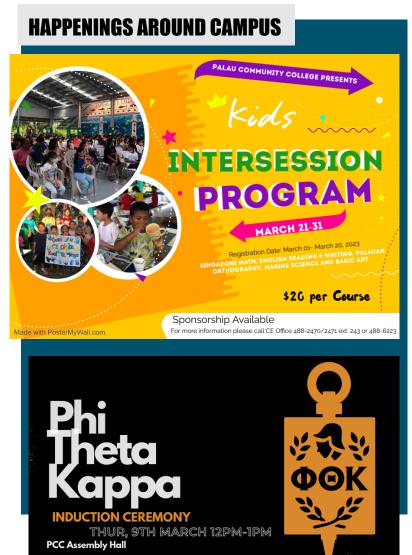
Art Gives Us Meaning

FRIDAY, MARCH 03, 2023

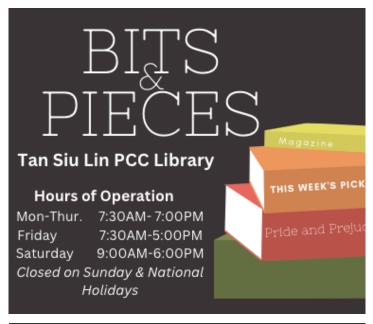
A couple of years ago in 2017, I traveled to Bogota, Colombia to the One Young World Summit where I was invited to receive a special award for young peace leaders (yes I was still a "youth" at the time *insert crying in dread emoji*). Now, I've been to many places and different countries, but Colombia etched a powerful experience in my brain's hard drive. Right away, I saw artwork as soon as we landed. Street graffiti that were moving and unique, weird and interesting art installations in the most unexpected public spaces, laser light art shows at major event centers, colorful old buildings lining up alleys that reminded me of lego blocks, people walking around in vibrant body paint, and much more. It was like the entire city of Bogota was a huge art gallery. I guess it's safe to say, Colombian art still live rent-free in my head until today.

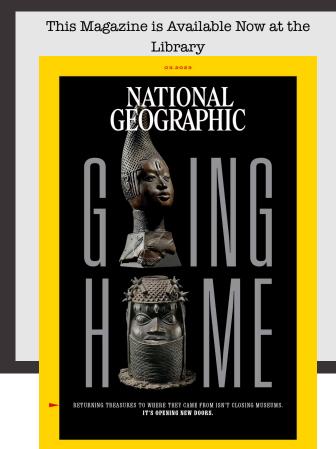
I took a bunch of photos and asked a lot of questions. Upon diving deeper into the country's history, I realized that the artwork I saw around the city told the same story, although in different ways. The art told a story of a people who have suffered immensely but are equally proud of their history and culture. Many of the artwork served as scars of collective trauma and healing.





That's the power of art. It stops us on our tracks, from the everyday routine and minutia of our busy lives, and reminds us of things, memories, events, values, stories, and ideas that are far greater than ourselves. It reminds us to pause and see the meaning that needs to be gleaned from our experiences. Art's subtle voice is so powerful in that it grabs us from behind the canvas, the photo, the cement wall, the music, the poetry, the novel, the dance, and reveals to us a deeper layer of our existence—one that ties us to our ancestors, our unborn, and to our shared human experience regardless of who we are or where we come from. So the next time you come across art in any of its various forms, stop and try to listen to the story it's revealing to you. Sometimes the story can be a lesson, a call to conscience, a call to action, and sometimes, it's much more intimate and private that only our individual souls can understand. Perhaps it's a heart-wrenching photo, a beauty revealed in the most unassuming place, or perhaps, it's a call for us to love the most unlovable parts of ourselves. - Written by J. Ngoriakl, Editor





Academic Calendar

February 28 - March 3 (M-F)

Mind Term Period

March 15 (W)

Holiday: Youth Day

Three PCC Students continued

The students joined a selected group of young Pacific Islanders from across the region and were split into immersion groups that explored 3 thematic areas: Disaster Prevention and Reconstruction, Marine Resources, and Tourism and Japanese Culture. Mr. Bryce Bonicacio spent days touring and learning from high-end tech centers dedicated to disaster prevention and reconstruction; Mr. Kato Remeliik visited famous tourist attractions and learned first hand from tourism industry experts; and Ms. Adrianna Benhart visited Okinawa, where she learned about cutting-edge marine resource techniques and technology. The trio visited a number of cultural sites and even participated in a traditional Japanese tea ceremony.

Researcher Appointed continued

...mission of Island Innovation at the global level as part of the UN SIDs working group. Island Innovation is a collection of stakeholders from various small island developing states who work together to bridge the divide between the first world nations and island states to advocate for fair and equitable development that is sensitive to cultural and environmental concerns in the UN and ensure SIDs have a voice, representing them on the global stage at the United Nations.

"I am honored to be recognized by these organizations for the efforts we are making in Palau. It is an honor to help our communities - like Ngatpang- to grow, develop and prosper," says Richard Page. Richard is one of the researchers working under PCC-CRE. Learn more about PCC-CRE and their work by visiting their website at https://pcc.palau.edu/community/cre/.





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News/Stories Wanted

We're always on the lookout for news and stories from the students, faculty, staff, and the community. Email your story to joleenngoriakl@palau.edu.

JOB VACANCIES

- Assistant Director, Talent Search Office Salary Range \$16,010-\$28,431 Per Annum
- Director of Library Services
 Salary Range \$18,730- \$33,262 Per Annum
- Executive Assistant to the President.
 Salary Range \$16,010-\$28,431 Per Annum
- Extension Agent (2 Positions)
 PCC Cooperative Research & Extension
 Salary Range \$11,000-\$19,552 Per Annum
- Extension Agent (EFNEP Program)
 PCC Cooperative Research & Extension
 Salary Range \$11,000-\$19,552 Per Annum
- Instructional Assistant, Automotive Technology Academic Affairs Division Salary Range \$12,653 TO \$22,349.00 Per Annum
- IT/Tracking Coordinator, Upward Bound Program Salary Range \$18,500-\$20,500 Per Annum

VALYNE ILEK SANDEI

Valyne graduated with an Associate in Science Degree in 2020. She works as the Sales & Marketing Coordinator for Calvo's Select Care Health Insurance here in Koror, Palau.

"The lessons and teachings I got from PCC helped me boost my credentials at my work and gave me proper tools to tackle difficult decision making tasks."





Jobs cont'd.

- Tutors & Instructors, Upward Bound Math & Science Salary varies depending on schedule. Call the PCC Human Resources Office for more info.
- Instructors (Tourism & Hospitality; AC & refrigeration, CPH, Construction Technology, Liberal Arts, Math, Nursing, Small Engine & Outboard, Information Technology).
 Salary varies depending on job description. Call the

PCC Human Resources Office for more info.

Detailed job descriptions are available at: https://pcc.palau.edu/about/jobs-pcc/

Or call the PCC HR Office at 488-2470



Long-time Director of Development, Tchuzie Tadao, takes on a new role as the Director of the brand new Upward Bound Math & Science (UBMS), a federally funded project. Congratulations Director Tadao!

and accept change. It's how we grow.

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