

Rules of Decorum

- The Hawai'i State Art Museum is a public facility and shares the building with other state offices. The client and the client's vendors or guests should be considerate of state employees, museum visitors, and the general public. The museum is also a neighbor to many civic, religious, cultural, and corporate institutions that may be operating after regular museum hours. The museum requires the client's cooperation in keeping noise and activity well below disruptive levels.
- The Hawai'i State Art Museum is the "People's Museum" and belongs to everyone. These rules are to ensure that all visitors and guests enjoy their own museum experience.
- Help to preserve the artwork for future generations. Pieces can be damaged by even the slightest contact. Please refrain from touching the art.
- Disruptive behavior will not be tolerated within the museum galleries
- For safety and security reasons, all items such as backpacks, large bags, umbrellas, or items larger than 11 x 15 inches, must be checked in and held at the Security Desk.
- Smoking to include electronic smoking devices is prohibited by law throughout state buildings. Smoking is not allowed in the sculpture garden. Food and drink are not allowed in the museum galleries.
- The use of cellular phones and other electronic devices are not permitted within the galleries.
- All animals are prohibited, except service animals such as, but not limited to guide, signal and service dogs, which are trained to do work or perform specific tasks for the benefit of an individual with a disability. The individual shall be responsible for all damages caused by the animal, including but not limited to, cleaning up and properly disposing of its waste. Chapter 111 of Title 3, Subtitle 10, Hawaii Administrative Rules, entitled "State Facilities and Grounds."
- Flash photography within the galleries is not permitted. Hand-held still and video photography in existing light is allowed in the galleries for private, noncommercial, or educational use. Photography is not permitted in special exhibitions or areas designated as "No Photography." For press and other special photography, please contact the Art in Public Places Program. No photographs taken in the museum may be reproduced, distributed, or sold without permission.
- Persons who do not comply with the Museum Rules of Decorum will be asked to leave the facility. Those who refuse to leave will be subject to arrest.

