

## HINALEIMOANA KWAI KONG WONG-KALU (KĀNAKA MAOLI) She/Māhū

Native Hawaiian Teacher, Kumu Hula, filmmaker, cultural practitioner, community leader
Community Advocate, Office of Hawaiian Affairs
Founding member, Kūlia Nā Mamo, a community transgender health organization to improve lives of māhū wahine (a traditional third gender person)

Hinaleimoana Wong-Kalu is a Kanaka Maoli (Native Hawaiian) teacher, cultural practitioner, and community leader. Born in the Nu'uanu District of O'ahu, Kumu Hina was educated at Kamehameha Schools and the University of Hawaii. She was a founding member of Kulia Na Mamo, a community organization established to improve the quality of life for māhū wahine (transgender women), and served for 13 years as the Director of Culture at a Honolulu public charter school dedicated to using native Hawaiian culture, history, and education as tools for developing and empowering the next generation of warrior scholars. Kumu Hina is currently a cultural advisor and leader in many community affairs and civic activities, including Chair of the O'ahu Island Burial Council, which oversees the management of Native Hawaiian burial sites and ancestral remains. In 2014, Hina announced her bid for a position on the board of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, one of the first transgender candidates to run for statewide political office in the United States.

Hina is married to Hema Kalu, from Niuafo'ou Island in the Kingdom of Tonga. They live together in Nu'uanu, Honolulu.

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