

Resumé

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Work and Community Experience

2020-Present: Transformed Yosemite Close-Up LLC from a Yosemite tour business to an Environmental Planning and Consulting business, specializing in site assessments and wildfire prevention, intentional burning, and cultural revival,

2010-2020: Established, owned, and operated Yosemite Close Up Tours, a Mariposa-based tour company offering high-quality tours into Yosemite National Park, now closed due to Covid-19.

2008-2010: Board Member, Heartwalk Foundation. Traveled twice to Perú to plan & implement projects to improve the diets & hygiene of, and to establish schools for, the native Q'ero people who live in remote hamlets up to 15,000' elevation in the Andes Mountains.

2006-2008 Entrepreneurship to establish eco-tourism businesses both in Hawaii and California.

2004-2006 Hawaii Community College, Forest TEAM Program - Full-time faculty member
Taught Forest Business Management; Agroforestry, Forest Ecosystem Management, Natural History of Hawaii, Silviculture, etc. Managed the two-year degree, Forest TEAM (Tropical Forest Ecosystem and Agroforestry Management) Program.

1995-2001

2002-2004 American Red Cross - Trainer

Trained in Disaster Services Teaching and Supervision; taught Red Cross classes; designed and implemented a model Damage Assessment Simulation for the Island of Hawaii.

1989-2006 Aikane Nursery – Owner

Built and successfully operated a plant nursery specializing in dryland native Hawaiian species. Managed employees, financial operations, marketing, sales, and other associated small business tasks.

1992-2009 Institute for a Sustainable Future (ISF) - President

Implemented a strategic planning process for programs and projects that empower communities to develop their human and natural resources, utilizing sustainability principles.

1995-1998 Hawaii State Division of Forestry and Wildlife - Facilitator

Guided the Kohala Forest Management Group whose goals included planning and resolving, by consensus, the management issues for the Pu'u O Umi Natural Area Reserve and its watershed on Kohala Mountain, Island of Hawaii. Created and distributed group memories to participants.

1995-2001 Na Makani Energy Initiative - Coordinator

Managed the community-based energy planning effort to promote North Kohala's vision of a sustainable energy future. Wrote and managed grants. Conducted several economic analyses.

1991-1994 Kohala Foundation Inc - President

Managed all processes for this land trust. Guided the strategic planning process. Organized board meetings, agendas, and media coverage. Principle organizer and speaker at the Kohala Foundation-sponsored Hawaii Land Trust Conference.

Work and Community Experience (Continued)

- 1990-1993 Chalon International Inc - Chair of the Citizen's Participation Subcommittee on Agriculture. Organized public meetings and followed up on the resulting information and concerns about agricultural topics related to lands in North Kohala.
- 1986-1989 Kohala Coast Irrigation (A landscape contracting business) – Landscaper
Installed and maintained landscape plantings and the irrigation systems that supported them.
- 1983-1986 Kahua Ranch Windfarm – Maintenance Foreman
Performed & managed windfarm installation and maintenance. Responsible for 198 wind-electric machines. Managed 25 employees.
- 1975-1982 UC Extension, Santa Cruz – Instructor
Designed and taught many field studies programs in the Sierra Nevada, Colorado Plateau, and Hawaiian Islands. The physical, biological, and cultural aspects of each region were included.

Formal Education:

- M.A. in Geography, UCLA, 1974 Specialty: Animals and plants.
A.B. in Geography, UCLA, 1968

Additional Training:

- 2006 Risk Management Conference, Killington, VT. Principles of risk management; program oversight, prevention, incident responses, legal issues, etc.
- 1992 Hawaii Land Trust Conference, O'ahu. Principle Organizer. Speaker: "Conservation Land Trusts – A tool for maintaining productive agricultural, forest, and open-space lands."
- 1991 West Coast Land Trust Conference, Vancouver, B.C. – An Intensive training about utilizing Conservation Land Trusts to retain open space and productive agricultural and forest lands.
- 1989-1991 Permaculture Institute of Australia – Basic and Advanced Permaculture Design Courses. Intensive trainings covering design methodologies for creating sustainable homes and gardens, agricultural and forestry businesses, and innovative ways to finance and organize these entities.
- 1968-2021 Many courses, conferences, and workshops on various educational, forestry, wildfire prevention and resilience, habitat restoration, agricultural, business development, sustainable community planning, renewable energy, and resource efficiency topics.

Public Speaking: Over fifty years of freelance experience teaching, doing talks and slide-shows on community planning, ecological, horticultural, mountaineering, and white-water river topics.

Foreign Language Competencies: Spanish and German; fair command of both.

Travel Abroad: Baja California; Viet Nam; Cambodia; Perú; Costa Rica; Bali, Indonesia; Western Samoa; French Polynesia; Fiji Islands; New Zealand; Cook Islands; Pohnpei (Federated States of Micronesia); Afghanistan; Pakistan; Canada; Europe.

Other Interests: Sustainable village design; solar and energy-efficient architecture & landscape design, renewable energy systems; creative writing; astronomy; skin-diving, photography, ocean kayaking, sailing; rock-climbing, white-water river trips, and more...

References: Available upon request.