## **GENERAL RULES & REGULATIONS**

## Welcome to the Competition!

Students from schools across the islands will go head-to-head in various film, video, and media competitions while attending the inaugural Shoots Summit Hawaii. All registered attendees are eligible to participate in a media competition. Some contest categories require a team to compete, others are for solo entries, but regardless of who's competing, everyone is on a strict deadline!

All Shoots Summit competitions are held under tight time constraints. The short deadlines are designed to simulate the pressure of a real-world environment and separate the truly skilled from the many. All entries are reviewed by industry professionals, and students will receive detailed feedback after the conclusion of the event. Winners in each category will be announced at the closing ceremonies, scheduled for the morning of January 15th 2024, in the Moanalua Fine Arts Auditorium at Moanalua High School. Look out for a livestream of the awards ceremony provided by Shoots Summit event organizers.

## Here's How it Works...

- 1. Schools review all of the General Contest Rules and Category Descriptions.
- 2. Teachers and students register for the categories they'd like to enter.
- 3. On contest day, students receive a prompt or topic for their category with additional instructions on <u>shootssummithawaii.com</u>.
- 4. Students produce their entries during the Shoots Summit contest period.
- 5. Entries are submitted by the deadline, using the link on the contest page.

## General Contest Rules...

- Entries may not exceed the time limits listed in each category description.
- ALL entries must be produced during the contest's specified time period.
- Any copyright-free music may be used in the contests that allow music.
- Middle and High school contest entries should be 100% student-produced, though teachers may help with equipment and uploading. Teachers and chaperones of Elementary students are considered "on the team".
- Entries should follow the criteria described in the contest category description.
- Video entries should be exported, compressed, and formatted before uploading. Tweak your export settings to lower file sizes. Preferred < 150MB.
- Entries that miss a specified deadline will not be eligible for an award, but may still receive feedback from a judge, if time permits.
- Entries must be submitted via the <u>Contest Upload Page</u> using the appropriate Contest Google Form.
- All efforts will be made to assist with contest uploading, but students and teachers should familiarize themselves with their editing program's export settings. A Virtual Help Desk will be available during contest hours.
- All uploaded contest entries may be used by Shoots Summit Hawaii for future marketing purposes.