

Artist Statement

Lexi Fujita (She/Her), is a Japanese-American interdisciplinary artist born and raised on the island of Oahu, Hawai'i currently based between New York and Hawai'i. Her recent works deal with assemblage, textile, wearable art, and printmaking. Combining traditional processes and challenging certain techniques. Experimentation through lei making and lauhala weaving practices in textiles and translating personal archival material into wearable works. Drawing deeply on personal narratives being Yonsei, Fujita explores the Hawai'i culture that raised her and the Japanese culture that is inherently part of her, prioritizing discovery of self and development of cultural respect and understanding for both places. As an artist that works in the area of both fashion and art, she emphasizes the intersection of the two not being a part of two separate worlds, but within both. Building together a community and implementing the practice of including a diverse set of voices to influence and be incorporated within her work. She is currently studying for her BFA in studio art at New York University and has been a young designer-in-residence at Materials for the Arts.

Education

2023-2025 BA, Visual Arts, Fordham University

2025-Present BFA, Studio Art, New York University

Art Awards

2025

Tobin Travel Fellowship

Susan Lipani Travel Grant

2X Chen Cui Artistic Practice Award

2023

Scholastic Art and Writing American Visions Nominee in Sculpture

Scholastic Art and Writing Regional Gold Key in Portfolio

The Pu'uhonua Society Award

2022

Scholastic Art and Writing American Visions Nominee in Sculpture

Scholastic Art and Writing National Gold Key in Fashion

2020

Scholastic Art and Writing Regional Gold Key in Sculpture

Magazines/Media Features

2025

Washington Square News Feature

Bricolage Magazine 20th Issue

Internships/Experience

Material for the Arts Young Designer-in-Residence, 2025
Summer Assistant, Kamehameha School, 2025
Applied Theatre and Education Intern, The 52nd Street Project, 2025
Teacher's Assistant, 'Iolani School, 2024
Education and Administration Intern, Smack Mellon, 2024

Exhibitions

2026

Newark Fashion Week Festival

2025

Brooklyn Fashion Week Runway Show

Columbia University AAPI Runway Show

New York University Fashion Business Association Runway Show

Fordham APAC x APIDA Arts Showcase

2023

Scholastic Art and Writing, Hisam, Honolulu, HI

2022

Scholastic Art and Writing, Hisam, Honolulu, HI

2020

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