

# Honolulu 2011: Conference Report

## 2011 CONFERENCE: REGISTRATION

| Preregistered                                   | Number       | Percentage |
|---|--------------|------------|
| AAS Members<br>(inc. 110 retired; 451 students) | 2,852        | 65%        |
| Non-Members<br>(inc. 355 students)              | 1,558        | 35%        |
| Complimentary                                   | 5            |            |
| <b>Total Pre-Registered</b>                     | <b>4,415</b> | <b>94%</b> |
| On-Site Registration                            |              |            |
| AAS Members<br>(inc. 13 retired; 24 students)   | 127          |            |
| Non-members<br>(inc. 38 students)               | 150          |            |
| <b>Total On-site Registration</b>               | <b>277</b>   | <b>6%</b>  |
| Exhibitors                                      | 310          |            |
| <b>Grand Total</b>                              | <b>5,002</b> |            |

## CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE: 2001–2011

| Year | Location       | Paid / Total Registrations | AAS Members Attending |
|------|----------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| 2011 | Honolulu       | 4692 / 5002*               | 2979                  |
| 2010 | Philadelphia   | 3034 / 3325                | 2278                  |
| 2009 | Chicago        | 2668 / 2951                | 2125                  |
| 2008 | Atlanta        | 2223 / 2517                | 1822                  |
| 2007 | Boston         | 2826 / 3151                | 2171                  |
| 2006 | San Francisco  | 2733 / 3049                | 2068                  |
| 2005 | Chicago        | 2549 / 2830                | 1982                  |
| 2004 | San Diego      | 2409 / 2729                | 1951                  |
| 2003 | New York       | 3178 / 3526                | 2559                  |
| 2002 | Washington, DC | 2955 / 3241                | 2445                  |
| 2001 | Chicago, IL    | 2823 / 3120                | 2396                  |

\*Registration total includes exhibitors.

## PROGRAM PARTICIPATION: 2001–2011

| Year | Organized Panel Sessions |              | Individual Paper Panels |              |
|------|--------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|--------------|
|      | Panels                   | Participants | Sessions                | Participants |
| 2011 | 626                      | 3478*        | 128                     | *            |
| 2010 | 282                      | 1477         | 12                      | 53           |
| 2009 | 249                      | 1294         | 12                      | 59           |
| 2008 | 223                      | 1173         | 15                      | 77           |
| 2007 | 228                      | 1229         | 12                      | 76           |
| 2006 | 240                      | 1211         | 14                      | 85           |
| 2005 | 213                      | 1229         | 13                      | 80           |
| 2004 | 219                      | 1150         | 11                      | 61           |
| 2003 | 215                      | 1123         | 11                      | 59           |
| 2002 | 228                      | 1213         | 15                      | 78           |
| 2001 | 220                      | 1121         | 18                      | 90           |

\*Total includes both organized and individual paper panels.

**There is no doubt the 2011 Conference was the largest and most highly-attended conference in AAS history. Noted below are some of the "firsts" that took place.**

### Welcome Reception

The AAS held a welcome reception on Wednesday evening prior to the start of panels on Thursday morning. We were happy to see over 1,000 attendees join in the celebration on the Hilton Hawaiian Village's Great Lawn, just steps from Waikiki beach and the Pacific Ocean. For more information and photos from this reception, please refer to the AAS Conference section of our website.

### Exhibition Hall

The 2011 Conference brought a total of 133 exhibiting companies to Honolulu. While this number is identical to last years total, there were more exhibitor personnel in attendance. In addition to many past exhibitors returning after a lengthy absence from the exhibit floor, there were twenty-six first-time exhibitors. We hope to continue to build a relationship with these new exhibitors in an effort to bring a more diverse offering to conference attendees in the future.

### Film Screenings

While the AAS has held film screenings for the last several years, this was the first year we teamed with the Asia Educational Media Service (AEMS), who did a wonderful job viewing over 95 films submitted during the Call for Films and narrowing the selection down to 29 films. Additionally, for the first time we were able to show the film screening in a movie theatre, thanks to facilities available in Hawaii Convention Center. The film screenings were a tremendous success seating 30–60 people for each screening. Many of the films were also followed by a question and answer session. For more information on the films screened during the conference, please visit the AEMS website at [www.aems.illinois.edu/aas/](http://www.aems.illinois.edu/aas/)

### Performances

This year we had many local Hawaiian artists and groups contact the association in regards to performing during the conference. A big THANK YOU to dedicated AAS member **Edward (Ned) J. Schultz**, Dean of the School of Pacific and Asian Studies, University of Hawaii at Manoa for arranging all of the performances that took place during the conference. The performances added a wonderful tone and welcome break for panel attendees. For the first time, we added a performance (The Royal Hawaiian Band) during the member reception and while we had a slight drizzle of rain in the beginning, the performance went on to the enjoyment of all in attendance.

### Photographer

Due to the momentous occasion of the 70th anniversary and the joint collaboration with ICAS, for the first time we had an official photographer, Wim Vreeburg, onsite capturing every moment of this historic conference. Please visit the AAS website or Wim's website at <http://www.vreeburgavservices.nl/www.vreeburgavservices.nl/ICAS.html> to view many candid shots of performances, presentations and your fellow AAS Members and conference attendees.