**2012 Pinkett Award Citation: Kapena Shim**

Kapena Shim is currently a student in the Library and Information Science Department of the University of Hawaii Manoa, and already an outstanding leader in the field. As a student he mobilized a group of 10 members of the U of H SAA Student Chapter to raise funds to attend the annual conference of the Association of Hawaiian Archivists. He also hosted a conversation with LIS students, faculty, and community stakeholders to explore ways his LIS department can strengthen its emphasis on Hawaii and the Pacific in their new LIS 2011-2016 strategic plan. Kapena has also presented posters and on panels at multiple conferences, volunteers in his community and belongs to many professional groups.

Most importantly, Kapena is someone who has been deeply affected by archives and shows a true commitment to the profession. As a native Hawaiian, he says, archives “[provided him] the space to re-connect to [his] ancestors, to their stories and their wisdom.” He was inspired to become an archivist to “help other Hawaiians…re-connect with their cultural legacy.”