The image features a large, stylized letter 'E' in the center, composed of various geometric shapes in shades of purple, green, orange, and yellow. The 'E' is set against a white background with a thin black border. The text 'Invest in' is written in a green, sans-serif font, and 'Imagination' is written in a bold, blue, sans-serif font, both following the curve of the 'E' shape.

Invest in **Imagination**



serve


Over the last 26 years the Hawai'i Arts Alliance has built a tradition of community arts participation brick by brick. We sponsored professional development in the arts for teachers, and family/community programs for underserved neighborhoods. We created arts partnerships between artists and public and private groups to ensure that the arts are at the table with our civic and business leaders, in education, and in community development.

Pursuing arts is often thought to be a losing battle in economic hard times, but we knew the value.

Educate

In recent years the Alliance has experienced its biggest growth. In 2001 the ARTS FIRST partnership was formed as part of an education strategic plan, and mandated by state legislation. This partnership has become a national model for arts-integrated education. The Alliance has coordinated teaching education, developed two editions of The Essential Arts Toolkit for educators, and worked with the University of Hawai'i to conduct the research to substantiate that arts in our classrooms positively impact all learning.

***Today we face the challenge
of an education climate that
de-emphasizes the arts in
favor of other subjects.***



Showing that arts can positively shape a community is a new economic formula for many business and civic leaders, and the Alliance is keeping that message alive. The Alliance community project *The ARTS at Marks Garage*, has become a creative hub in the Downtown/Chinatown emerging arts district. Galleries and restaurants opened, businesses thrive, and every First Friday, thousands of people enjoy anew the cultural richness and diversity of one of Honolulu's most historic districts, bringing a revived economic vitality to the area.

impact

The background is a collage of various images. On the left, there's a close-up of a child's face. In the center, a microscope is visible. On the right, there's a silver sculpture of a hand. The overall theme is art and science.

mentor

The ARTS at Marks Garage is a Creative Incubator for artists and small arts groups who would otherwise have no home to foster the growth of their creative work. Hundreds of families and youth benefit from our arts programs that allow families to experience their neighborhood through participation in community arts and culture events, classes, and other activities.

The arts reach to the heart, and we see evidence of this every day.

Lead

We know that creating a climate for arts inclusion on every level in our state needs our collective support. In 2005 the Hawai'i Arts Alliance embraced the Hawai'i Arts Consortium for the Arts to create one statewide organization to represent all the arts. As that one private nonprofit umbrella organization, we continue to promote arts awareness with our stakeholders in legislation and in other arenas that benefit the whole community.

support

A journey of 1000 miles begins with a single step.

~ **Lao Tzu**

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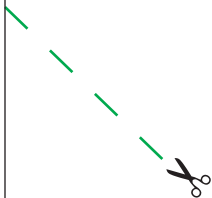
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