



Twenty-five years ago the Alliance was founded by Alfred Preis, the first Director of State Foundation on Culture and the Arts (SFCA) and innovator of the 1% for public art law. There was then, and continues to be, the need to ensure that all the arts are part of our educational system. Since December 2004 the Alliance has been delighted to be a neighbor of the SFCA, just a half block away at 1040 Richards Street.

Education will remain at the core of the Alliance mission and programs as it proudly announces its expansion to embrace the broader needs of community and advocacy. The legal name remains Hawai'i Alliance for Arts Education, but it will be widely known as **Hawai'i Arts Alliance**. We firmly believe in the power of the arts to transform lives.

The Alliance will continue its founding mission to promote and support all the arts as essential to the complete education of every child in Hawai'i. The Alliance is expanding its mission and will advance all the arts as central to a vital and healthy community.

The Alliance will advocate for increased funding for all the arts, promote statewide cultural tourism, continue to recognize the economic importance of the arts in the creative industries and share information from our national affiliations with the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts and Americans for the Arts.

We welcome two new Directors to the Alliance Board, Ed McNulty and Lynne T. Waters. Both previously served on the former Hawai'i Consortium for the Arts Board. For the past five years Mr. McNulty has been Vice President for Programming and Content at PBS Hawaii. Lynne Waters is a media/communications consultant, and owner of Lynne Waters Communications since 1986.

## Hawai'i Arts Alliance EDUCATION • COMMUNITY • ADVOCACY

*A Member of the Kennedy Center Alliance for Arts Education Network  
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Hawai'i Arts Alliance cultivates, sustains and celebrates all the arts as essential to a complete education and central to a vibrant community.

The work of the Alliance involves:

- **Teaching the arts:** ensuring that all the arts are a central part of the education of every child.
- **Building community through the arts:** using the arts to improve the quality of life and create opportunities for positive growth, especially within disenfranchised communities.
- **Promoting the arts:** speaking out about the importance of the arts, demonstrating the value of the arts, and expanding access for all to a rich array of arts.



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**WELCOME MARLA MUSICK, DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS!**



The Alliance welcomes its newest member, Director of Communications, Marla Musick. Marla comes to us from the UH Foundation where she worked as the Director, Institutional Development at Kapi'olani Community College. Marla grew up in Hawai'i, and recently returned from New York City, where she worked in fund development, communications and graphic design management with The Whitney Museum of Art, The Cooper-Hewitt, National Design Museum, and The New York Public Library. Marla will focus on developing the Alliance's communications strategies, including the management of the organization's relationships with its stakeholders through the web, print and other media.

**CALL FOR APPLICATIONS - ARTS EXCELLENCE SCHOOLS 2006**

Applications from elementary schools are due **February 10, 2006**. Each public school receives \$3,000 funded by the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts. Each independent school receives an award by proceeds from the ARTS License Plates. Special awards to be given by PHG Foundation and Hawai'i Watercolor Society. For guidelines and applications, call 533-2787, email haae@aloha.net, or download from [www.arts-hawaii.org](http://www.arts-hawaii.org).

**CALL FOR APPLICATIONS - NSO 2006**

Applications are now being accepted for the 2006 Kennedy Center National Symphony Orchestra Summer Music Institute, a 3-week intensive for serious student instrumentalists, open to grades 9 through 12, and college students through sophomore year (as of September, 2006). An audition recording and letter of recommendation are required. For details and application form, please contact the Alliance.

**Deadline for applications: February 3, 2006.**

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## Celebrate the ARTS! Alliance Awards 2005

On October 15, *Celebrate the ARTS! Alliance Awards 2005* lived up to its name with a magnificent evening of performances at Hawai'i Theatre, including youth and world-class artists. This was complemented by the children's art exhibit, *Underage Thinking V*, at *The ARTS at Marks Garage*.

This year, we recognized ten middle schools with Arts Excellence Awards for their inclusion of arts as essential to the complete education of their students. Jarrett Intermediate, Maui Waena Intermediate, and King Intermediate Schools each received \$3,000, funded by the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts. Haleakala Waldorf School (Maui), La Pietra, and St. Ann's School each received awards funded by ARTS License Plates proceeds. A special award from the PHG Foundation went to Connections Charter School, and the Hawai'i Watercolor Society honored Stevenson Intermediate, Mid-Pacific Institute School of the Arts, and Punahou's Case Middle School.

We were privileged to have Pat Hamamoto, Department of Education Superintendent of Schools, Robert Witt, Hawai'i Association of Independent Schools Executive Director, and Ron Yamakawa, State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Executive Director, presenting the Arts Excellence Awards. We greatly appreciate their commitment to arts education in the classroom.

The Alliance also presented a special surprise award to SFCA Arts in Education Coordinator Elaine Zinn for her leadership in promoting and developing arts and arts-infused curriculum in the schools.

Musician Beebe Freitas was honored with the Alfred Preis Award 2005 for her lifelong commitment to the arts. Currently Associate Artistic Director of Hawai'i Opera Theatre, Beebe has accompanied some of the world's best musicians and nurtured countless numbers of young Hawai'i musicians. The appreciation for Beebe was evident in the performances of Hawai'i Opera Chorus, Hawai'i Youth Opera Chorus, Kawaiolaonapukanileo, and the First Presbyterian Church Choir, all of whom claim Beebe as accompanist. Beebe's daughter, local composer Roslyn, created a surprise musical production, "Anatomy of a Pianist", featuring many of Beebe's friends and peers.

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Lt. Governor Duke Aiona and family, Alliance CEO Marilyn Cristofori and Gregg Lizenbery, Chair Gail Mukaihata Hannemann and Mayor Mufi Hannemann congratulate Beebe Freitas.



*Imagination* sponsorships allowed these students from King Intermediate to experience the celebration and see their artworks exhibited in *Underage Thinking V*.

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# *Celebrate the ARTS!*



Beebe Freitas  
Alfred Preis Honoree 2005

The first half of the evening was full of surprises. The SFCA surprised the Alliance with an award of its own in celebration of 25 years of promoting arts education. The Alliance in turn surprised Elaine Zinn with an award of recognition for her leadership for arts education and the ARTS FIRST partners.

2005 Preis Honoree Beebe Freitas got one surprise after another as well-wishers poured out of the audience to heap accolades and lei upon her.

Beebe was probably our hardest-working Awardee, spending most of her time on stage accompanying performances by no less than four choral groups.

Top and middle right: Kumu Hula Vicky Holt Takamine and Hula Halau Pua Ali'i Ilima.

Bottom right: Finale of the Beebe tribute featuring characters from her life. In front are the "Beebe"s at different ages.



Nola Nahulu helps Beebe out with her tokens of admiration!

Photos by Carl Hefner



# Alliance Awards 2005



Host Elizabeth Lindsey



Ron Yamakawa, Executive Director of the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts presents Samuel Wilder King Intermediate School with its Award.



Robert Witt, Executive Director of the Hawai'i Association of Independent Schools, and Pat Hamamoto, DOE Superintendent of Schools present the Arts Excellence Awards.

Clockwise from right: PHG Foundation's Lo Levin with Connections Public Charter School, Roslyn providing the music for "Anatomy of a Pianist", Chiho Villasenor and Les Ceballos lead selections from "Turandot", Alliance CEO Marilyn Cristofori and SFCA Executive Director Ron Yamakawa surprise Elaine Zinn, Cathryn Lau of Hawai'i Watercolor Society with Punahou's Case Middle School.



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*Imagination* sponsorships (see sidebar on p.3) subsidized tickets for more than 300 students from the Arts Excellence Schools and our 'Ohana Arts programs. These sponsorships made it possible for students to share in the celebration, and to experience a live performance by both their youthful peers and some of our best Hawai'i artists.

Once again the Awards reception took place at *The ARTS at Marks Garage*, located directly across from the Hawaii Theatre. This year, Indigo catered the event, providing creative and delicious pupus before and luscious dessert items after the show.

The feature of the festivities was a silent auction, entitled *A Gift of Time™*. The "gift" items represented experiential arts opportunities. Bidders chose from an array of art gallery and studio tours, dance, music, and visual arts lessons, and one-on-one encounters with visual and performing artists. All auction proceeds go to our *Invest in Imagination* campaign. These funds are used to match grants that support our community and education programs that allow children and adults to access the arts and develop creative thinking.

Welcoming guests to our community arts enterprise project allows us to showcase the power of the arts working through the hands of our children. *Underage Thinking V*, the annual exhibit of student works from the year's Arts Excellence Schools and our 'Ohana Arts programs, is always uplifting. This year, *Marks* Associate Director Rich Richardson made ProjectFocus Hawai'i "Doorways" a special part of the show. The stunning black and white photo portraits by children from Kuhio Park Terrace of the people most important to them made a deep impression on viewers. It was a rare chance to see a different world, told expressively through the eyes of the children who live there.

We hope to see you all at our 25th Anniversary Celebration next year!



The young photographers of Kuhio Park Terrace were also in attendance, and were thrilled with the opportunity to be seen and heard by some "very important people".



Connections PCS' Grace Chao and John Thatcher II with their students' artwork.



Every Wednesday in January 4:00-5:30pm  
Youth Speaks Hawaii  
Free slam poetry writing and performance workshops for teens (13-19 years old). Underwritten by The George P. and Ida T. Castle Trust.

January 4 – 29  
Two conceptual exhibitions:  
Vince Hazen: The Transfigured Pedestrian  
Elevating the banal to high art: paintings made with slug tracks, dog hair and mold.  
shan shoppell: running with scissors An exploration of intermedia

Friday, January 6, 5-9pm, FREE  
First Friday Honolulu  
Downtown-Chinatown Gallery Walk. A self-guided tour of more than two dozen art spots  
Opening Reception for The Transfigured Pedestrian and running with scissors.

Saturday, January 7, 8pm, \$10/7  
Smashbox Productions presents:  
On the Spot - Outrageous Improv Comedy

January 14 & 15, 9:30-2:30  
Hawaii Watercolor Society presents:  
Watercolor Painting Workshop by Rita Argen Auerbach  
pre-registration required call 521-9799 for more info.

Friday and Saturday at 8pm  
Smashbox presents: Loose Screws 13th Anniversary Show  
Tickets available thru Honolulu Box Office, 550-TIKS(8457)  
or [www.honoluluboxoffice.com](http://www.honoluluboxoffice.com), \$12 general \$10 students

Saturday, January 21, 3:30-5:00pm, FREE  
Youth Speaks Hawaii and HawaiiSlam present:  
Youth Speaks Hawaii: Monthly Poetry Slam  
Doors and poet sign in at 3:00, show starts at 3:30.  
All ages welcome to attend but the mic is reserved for poets 13 to 19 years old. [www.YouthSpeaksHawaii.org](http://www.YouthSpeaksHawaii.org)

Tuesday, January 31, 2006; 8-10pm, \$5  
The ARTS at Marks Garage and Poetry Hawaii presents:  
re:VERSES An evening of featured poets, open mic, and jazz music by DJ Mr. Nick. This all-ages event takes place on the last Tuesday of every month.

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### Congratulations Carol, our "Living Treasure"!

Alliance Board member **Carol Yotsuda** is one of six island residents who have been named "Living Treasures" by the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawai'i for contributions to perpetuating the traditions, spirit and values of Hawai'i.

Carol joins a list of more than 100 island residents recognized since the program was begun 30 years ago, including our two most recent Preis honorees, Clarence Lee and Beebe Freitas.

Carol Yotsuda has taught art for more than 30 years and works in many art forms, including painting, sculpture, papermaking and stage set design. She designed a glass mosaic mural for Eleele Elementary School library, ceramic murals for Wilcox Elementary School, and wall murals for the Kaua'i Hilton Hotel and Lihue Airport. She is executive director of the Garden Island Arts Council and served on the steering committee to build a Kaua'i community center. The Kaua'i Peace Project named her 2004 Peacemaker of the Year and she was given the 2000 Governor's Kilohana Award for Outstanding Volunteer in the Arts. She has been the Alliance's Kaua'i member since 2005.

Carol and five other individuals will be honored at a Feb. 3 banquet at Sheraton-Waikiki Hotel. Tickets are \$50. For reservations, call Ethel at 522-9200.

#### *A Final Look...*

Beebe Freitas and friend Ruth Pfeiffer share a happy moment.



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