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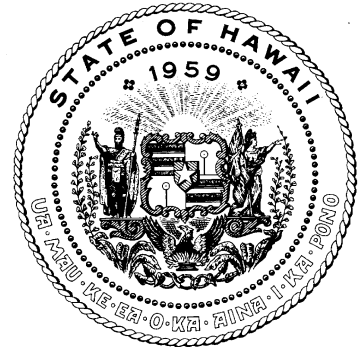
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**BENJAMIN PARKER ELEMENTARY, MOKAPU ELEMENTARY AND
KING INTERMEDIATE ARTWORK ON DISPLAY AT THE
HAWAI'I STATE CAPITOL**

Honolulu, Hawai'i - Senator Tokuda's Art Review (STAR) Program will once again be displaying the artwork of students from Windward O'ahu at the Hawai'i State Capitol. The artwork from Benjamin Parker Elementary School, Mokapu Elementary School and King Intermediate School can be viewed in the chamber level of the State Capitol throughout the month of March and will feature the artwork of students in kindergarten through eighth grade.

"These art pieces reflect the wealth of creativity and talent that exists in our public schools. Working with dedicated teachers, our students are learning to express themselves and the way they view the world through their creations," stated Tokuda.

The STAR Program was established by Senator Jill Tokuda in 2007 for the purpose of showcasing the artistic expressions of students from Windward O'ahu and providing them with a venue to share their art with the community.

Since the spring of 2007, the STAR Program has displayed the artwork of over 1,000 Windward students from public and private schools on the windward side. These schools include 'Aikahi Elementary, Ben Parker Elementary, Castle High, Enchanted Lake Elementary, Hakipu'u Learning Center, Kailua High, Kalāheo High, Ka'elepulu Elementary, Ke Kula 'o Samuel M. Kamakau, Kāne'ohē Elementary, Kapunahala Elementary, King Intermediate, Le Jardin Academy, Maunawili Elementary, Pū'ōhala Elementary, Olomana School, Trinity Christian School, and the Hawai'i Youth Correctional Facility.

In 2010, the STAR Program displayed approximately 350 art pieces that were created by over 300 student artists from the windward community.

The public is welcome to view the artwork at the Hawaii State Capitol, Chamber Level, Monday through Friday from 6:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. (excluding holidays) and Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. For more information, call 587-7215.