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WINDWARD STUDENTS ARTWORK ON DISPLAY AT THE HAWAII 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 students studying at Windward Community College, Ben Parker Elementary, Kane'ohe Elementary, and Kapunahala Elementary can be viewed in the chamber level of the State Capitol throughout the months of January and February and will feature various mediums of art.

"With so many people coming to the Capitol for the start of the legislative session, it is only fitting that they be greeted by the artistic expressions and visions of Hawai'i's future leaders," stated Tokuda. "Our Windward public schools have a longstanding commitment to the integration of arts in education and the work on display is a testament to the talents of both teachers and students."

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 1,500 Windward students, rotating annually between public and private schools on the windward side. These schools include 'Āhuimanu Elementary, 'Aikahi Elementary, Ben Parker Elementary, He'eia Elementary, Ka'elepulu Elementary, Kāne'ohe Elementary, Ke Kula 'o Samuel M. Kamakau, Kapunahala Elementary, Le Jardin Academy, Maunawili Elementary, Mōkapu Elementary, Pū'ōhala Elementary, Hakipu'u Learning Center PCS, Le Jardin Academy, St. Mark's Lutheran, Windward Nazarene Academy, King Intermediate, Kamehameha Preschool at He'eia, Olomana School- Hawai'i Youth Correctional Facility, Castle High, Kailua High, Kalāheo High, and Windward Community College.

This past legislative session in 2014, STAR showcased the artistic talents of students from more than 275 artists at 7 schools in Senate District 24, including: Castle High, He'eia Elementary, Kalāheo High, Le Jardin Academy, Maunawili Elementary, Pū'ōhala Elementary, and Windward Nazarene Academy. For the first time we also had preschool art on display from across the state: Kamehameha Schools, KCAA Preschools, Seagull Schools.

The public is welcome to view the artwork at the Hawaii State Capitol, Chamber Level, during normal building hours 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