

# REPRESENTATIVE BERTRAND KOBAYASHI

DISTRICT 19 DIAMOND HEAD, KAHALA, KAIMUKI, KAPAHULU



Kaimuki artist **Satoru Abe** was featured at the April 5th "Art at the Capitol". He is the last surviving member of the Metcalf Chateau, the NYC art enclave on Metcalf Street of seven young Asian American artists which included Tadashi Sato, who created the Aquarius mosaic in the State Capitol rotunda. Abe's sculpture, "Four Trees" is featured in Representative Kobayashi's office as part of the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts' "Art in Public Places" program

#### Aloha!

As we near the end of the 2013 session with a couple of weeks to go, the House is currently in conference committees with the Senate to resolve differences in bills each body hopes to get passed.

In the remaining days of session, I will continue to work with lawmakers to balance the State Budget, programs, and services vital to serving the people of Hawaii. If you ever have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me by phone at 586-6310, fax at 586-6311, or by email at <a href="mailto:repkobayashi@capitol.hawaii.gov">repkobayashi@capitol.hawaii.gov</a>. I am here to serve you!

With warmest aloha,

Best Kepuli

Representative Bert Kobayashi

Diamond Head, Kahala, Kaimuki, Kapahulu



The 2013 Kalani Boys State Champion Soccer Team was honored on the floor of the House of Representatives on April 1, 2013. The Falcons won their first State Division I Soccer Championship in school history with an exciting victory over Punahou on February 9<sup>th</sup>. The team's inspiring quest for the title brought Kalani to the pinnacle of Hawaii high school soccer.



## Hawaii's President Obama Center



President Obama has indicated that after 2016 he wants facilities in both Honolulu and Chicago. Representative Kobayashi initiated the successful effort to get \$350,000 to support the development of a Barack Obama Presidential Center in Kakaako makai, where the State of Hawaii has designated an oceanfront location of an Obama presidential center. Working with the Lt. Governor, businesses, and non-profit organizations, the University of Hawaii is heading the current planning and development efforts for a vibrant institution that will carry forward the President's work and serve as a base of operations for the First Family in Hawaii. In the coming year, efforts will begin in site planning, development of a capital campaign strategy, and collaboration with the White House to develop a two-city presidential center in Chicago and Honolulu.

### City to Begin Bulky Item Crackdown

The City provides for free collection of bulky items, such as furniture, appliances, and mattresses. All areas of Oahu are on a no-call, regular monthly collection schedule for bulky item collection.

There will be a new ordinance going into effect on May 1, 2013 that establishes a \$250 fine for people who leave bulky items out for more than a night before the scheduled pickup day. The Honolulu City Council passed the law to address the eyesore created when bulky items are left on sidewalks and city streets ahead of the scheduled pickup, often for days or even weeks. If residents observe illegal dumping, they can call the city's illegal-dumping hotline at 768-3203. If you witness someone illegally dumping items on your property, call 911 immediately and file a police report.

It is our home, our island, and our responsibility to care for its health and beauty. Please do your part to protect our environment!



Representative Kobayashi answers questions from Liholiho Elementary Students

Students from Liholiho Elementary school visited the State Capitol on Monday April 15th with teachers Mrs. Sharon Hariuchi and Mr. Fred Magnenat. The 5th grade students appeared intrigued with the Capitol and posed many candid questions to Representatives Kobayashi



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## City of Honolulu Event Calendar

May 27, 2013

6pm – 7:30pm – <u>15<sup>th</sup> Annual Lantern Floating Hawaii</u> (Ala Moana Beach Park)

June 8, 2013

9am – 4pm – 97<sup>th</sup> Annual King Kamehameha Celebration Floral Parade and Hoolaulea (Downtown to Waikiki)

June 9, 2013

5pm – 7pm - Pan-Pacific Festival Parade (Waikiki)

July 20, 2013

9am – 4pm – <u>36<sup>th</sup> Annual Prince Lot Hula Festival</u> (Moanalua Gardens)

July 21, 2013

10am – 4pm – 43<sup>rd</sup> <u>Annual Ukulele Festival Hawaii</u> (Kapiolani Park)

September 28, 2013

9am – I2pm – <u>Aloha Festivals: 2013 Floral Parade</u> (Waikiki)

Frequently Called Numbers	
Abandoned Vehicle	733-2530
Building Inspector	768-8259
Building Permit	768-8220
Bus Information	848-5555
Refuse Collection	832-7840
Complaint (City)	768-4381
Street Light Repair	768-5300
Pothole Hotline	768-7777
State Office of Ombudsman	587-0770