



June 25, 2013

From: Lahaina Arts Association
648 Wharf Street #103
Lahaina, HI 96761

To: North Beach West Maui Benefit Fund
Sharyn J. Matin, President

Re: Grant to Lahaina Arts Association

Aloha Sharyn,

Your generosity to the Lahaina Arts Association (LAA) is greatly appreciated. Thank you so much for granting \$16,000 through the North Beach West Maui Benefit Fund to support our West Maui Art Outreach Programs at Lahaina Surf Housing, Honokowai Kau Hale Housing, and Princess Nahienaena Elementary School. Your contribution will help us to continue our mission of providing Maui County youth access to the creative arts through education and artistic opportunities.

LAA currently offers thirteen free art classes per week and targets children and families at or below the poverty level. Art classes are held in schools, community centers, and low-income housing sites. We provide free supplies and a safe space to enjoy a variety of art techniques including Hawaiian and other cultural arts. LAA fills a gap in the education system for the children of Maui County to develop their creative skills and enhance learning, especially when the visual arts have left many of our classrooms.

In addition to free weekly art classes, LAA conducts an Annual High School Senior's Art Competition and Exhibition. Each year partial scholarships are awarded to promising Maui County Youth to further their art education and training in an accredited Art Program at a four year college/university. We also operate a Hawaiian Youth Mentoring Program which pairs artist mentors with youth that are interested in pursuing art as a career. We hope to enhance and expand all of our programs in the years to come. With continued support from and partnership with the North Beach West Maui Benefit Fund, we have been able to serve our community in a meaningful way.

Thank you again for supporting the arts and our keiki.

Mahalo,

Priscilla Gonzales
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