



MARIA ANN HSIAO  
MEMORIAL FOUNDATION  
COLORING TOMORROW'S DREAMS

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## MARIA ANN HSIAO MEMORIAL FOUNDATION ESTABLISHES ART4KIDS IN MAUI

Over 500 Keiki at local schools will participate in the inaugural Art4Kids Hawaii Program: "Hopes and Dreams" project.

SAN LEANDRO, California (January 12, 2010) – Maria Ann Hsiao Memorial Foundation volunteers will travel to Maui to bring over 500 children the opportunity to experience art with Maria Ann Hsiao Memorial Foundation's Art4Kids Program: "Hopes and Dreams" project (January 14-22). Volunteers will arrive this week to prepare for the classes.

Over 500 Keiki will be given the opportunity to express their hopes and dreams through this art project. Each child has completed a writing/coloring assignment in preparation for this class. On the day of the class, they will learn about writing, painting, and expressing themselves through art. The students will paint their Hopes & Dreams on a blank t-shirt and share their art with their classmates.

This week on Maui marks the first of many planned trips to bring our Art4Kids Program to the Islands of Hawaii. Our vision is that in 2010, over 1000 children will be able to experience this project and thousands more in the many years to come. At least two trips per year are planned for Art4Kids, Hawaii.

Art classes will take place in Maui at

- Pukalani Elementary School: 240 students - January 19, 2010 @ 9:30am
- Emmanuel Lutheran School: 31 students - January 20, 2010 @ 9:30am
- Saint Anthony's Grade School: 50 students - January 21, 2010 @ 8:30am
- Kamalii Elementary School: 205 students - January 22, 2010 @ 8:30am

### About MARIA ANN HSIAO MEMORIAL FOUNDATION

Maria Ann Hsiao Memorial Foundation, with its motto "Coloring Tomorrow's Dreams", was created in memory of Maria Hsiao, a talented and passionate artist who died in 2001. Our mission is to support the dreams of aspiring artists by promoting art awareness, funding educational opportunities in the arts, and establishing art programs. The Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit, charitable organization.

### About MARIA ANN HSIAO

Maria Ann Hsiao, known as "Ria", was a talented and passionate artist who dreamt of sharing her art with the world. Unfortunately, her life ended on June 10, 2001 at the age of 21. During this time of sorrow, our family, friends, and community joined together to create a memorial foundation to keep Maria's dreams and passion for art alive.

OUR DREAM: Share "Ria's" passion for art with the world. Partner with us.

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