# BOARD OF EDUCATION GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING January 6, 2011

# State Librarian's Report

### 1. Friends Sponsoring Breakfast for Legislators

The Friends of the Library of Hawaii will sponsor a breakfast for Hawaii's legislators next Wednesday, January 12 from 8-9 am at Washington Place. There will be a special presentation of the Friends' Mahalo Award to Representative Marcus Oshiro, and the new "HSPLS Year in Review" will be premiered. Board Members all should have received personal invitations to attend this special event, and because it will be held at Washington Place, we need to receive your RSVP by tomorrow morning so we can submit it to the Governor's Office.

### 2. Fundraising Campaigns Come to a Close

As we begin a new year, the Hawaii State Public Library System (HSPLS) and the Friends of the Library of Hawaii would like to thank the hundreds of donors who contributed to the success of our joint statewide "Keep Your Library Open!" (KYLO) and "Keep the Doors Open!" fund-raising campaigns. A year ago HSPLS was facing budget cuts equivalent to two furlough days a month for all our employees. The combined efforts of HSPLS, the Friends of the Library of Hawaii and widespread public support, helped encourage the legislature to restore the nearly \$3 million to our Fiscal Year (FY) 2011 operating budget, and this has allowed us to eliminate furlough days for FY 2011 and begin to recruit to fill public service positions. It is now time to sincerely thank all our donors, and to bring these campaigns to a close. Both HSPLS and the Friends will end our fundraising campaigns on December 31. Even though these campaigns are drawing to a close, patrons wishing to make tax-deductible donations to support your public libraries may do so at any public library or the Friends of the Library of Hawaii (690 Pohukaina Street, Honolulu, HI 96813, or online via their website, www.friendsofthelibraryofhawaii.org).

3. Friends Select Librarian of the Year and Excellence in Service Award Winners Frances Corcoran, Branch Manager at Kahuku Public and School Library, has been selected by the Friends as this year's Librarian of the Year, while Jean Ann Flaherty of Princeville Public Library and Irmagard Pickard of Pearl City Public Library have been named recipients of Excellence in Service Awards. Ms. Corcoran is the 14<sup>th</sup> Public Librarian of the Year, and the Excellence in Service Award was created five years ago to honor support staff in HSPLS libraries. The awards recognize excellence in community service, dedication, enthusiasm, commitment to the job, and promotion of public libraries in the community.







4. Isabella Bird Programs and Exhibit Featured at the Hawaii State Library "In the Footsteps of Isabella Bird: Adventures in Twin Time Travel," is an exhibit featuring photos by 19th century world-traveler Isabella Bird, together with Kyoto University Professor Kiyonori Kanasaka's updated photos, maps and information about the same locations. Hawaii was one of the many places Bird visited and wrote about, and she documented her trip in the book Six Months in the Sandwich Islands, published in 1875. Special programs featuring Professor Kanasaka, who retraced Bird's journeys throughout the world, will be offered on January 29 (Preview Session) and February 12. The exhibit will be on display at the Hawaii State Library (HSL) from February 1 through April 2, 2011.

### 5. New Sense-sational Show at Hawaii's Public Libraries

The Honolulu Theatre for Youth will present "The New Sense-sational Show," a reprise of the popular stage production created especially for preschool-age children (ages 2-5), January 8-February 23 at selected public libraries statewide. The New Sense-sational Show is a fun, comedic adventure, complete with puppetry and music set in a world where objects come to life and anything can happen. Actors Moses Goods and Maile Holck smell, taste, touch, listen and see how to make sense of the senses.

#### 6. HSPLS Recruitment Continues

HSPLS is currently recruiting for Library Assistant IV, Library Technician V, and Librarian III, IV, V. Recruitment will continue until staffing needs for these positions are met. Interested applicants must apply online via the Department of Human Resources Development's State Job Information website: <a href="http://www.hawaii.gov/hrd/main/esd/">http://www.hawaii.gov/hrd/main/esd/</a>.

# 7. Kihei Public Library Programs and Services

Kihei Public Library's Acting Branch Manager Jessica Gleason joins us this afternoon to discuss programs and services at the Library.

# In the Footsteps of Isabella Bird: Adventures in Twin Time Travel

Photographs by **Kiyonori Kanasaka** Professor of Geography, Kyoto University



Halemaumau Crater, Hawaii Volcanoes National Park

Tracing Isabella Bird's travels and writings through images past and present

# Isabella Bird Exhibit @ Hawaii State Library February 1, 2011 to April 2, 2011

478 South King Street, Honolulu, HI 96813

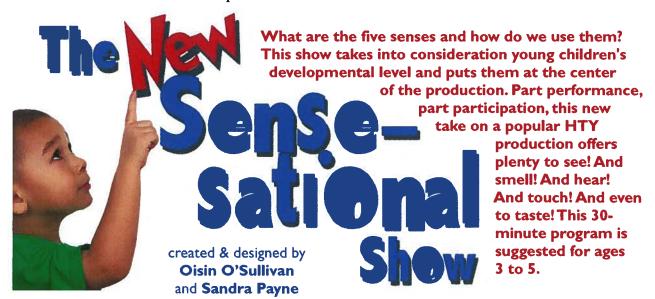
Preview Session on Saturday, January 29, 2011 at 11:00 a.m.

Opening Reception on Saturday, February 12, 2011 at 11:00 a.m., Hawaii State Library – First Floor Reading Room Includes a slide presentation by Kiyonori Kanasaka

Admission is FREE. Library Hours: Monday and Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Go to <a href="https://www.librarieshawaii.org">www.librarieshawaii.org</a> for updates.

Contact the library ten days in advance to request a sign language interpreter or if other special accommodation is needed. For more information, please call the library's Language, Literature & History Section at 586-3499.

Sponsors Include: Hawaii Council for the Humanities, University of Hawaii Manoa [Geography Department, Center for Japanese Studies, and College of Social Sciences], Kyoto University – Japan, National Library of Scotland, and the Hawaii State Library



Saturday, January 8, 10:30 a.m. Aina Haina Public Library 5246 Kalanianaole Hwy.; Ph. 377-2456

Wednesday, January 12, 3:30 p.m. Aiea Public Library

99-143 Moanalua Rd.; Ph. 483-7333

Friday, January 14, 3:00 p.m. Waipahu Public Library 94-275 Mokuola St.: Ph. 675-0358

Saturday, January 15, 10:30 a.m. McCully-Moililli Public Library 2211 South King St.; Ph. 973-1099

Saturday, January 22, 10:30 a.m. Mililani Public Library 95-450 Makaimoimo St.: Ph. 627-7470

Friday, January 28, 12noon Salt Lake-Moanalua Public Library 3225 Salt Lake Blvd.; Ph. 831-6831

Saturday, January 29, 10:30 a.m. Kailua Public Library 239 Kuulei Rd.: Ph. 266-9911

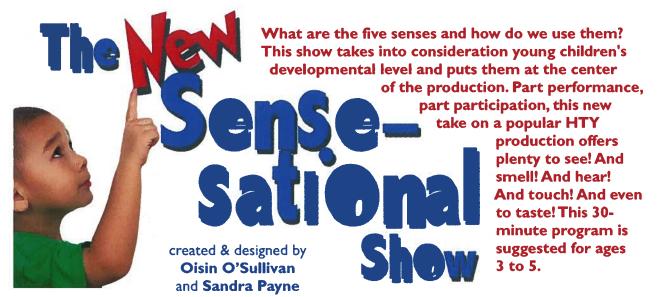
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Program schedules are subject to change. Contact the hosting library (10 days for Oahu; 15 days for neighbor islands) in advance to request a sign language interpreter or if other special accommodation is needed.

Additional programs are being held in February at other libraries on Oahu. For a complete list of programs, visit www.librarieshawaii.org.



#### Honolulu Theatre for Youth presents



Thursday, February 3, 3:00 p.m. Waialua Public Library

67-068 Kealohanui St.; Ph. 637-8286

Wednesday, February 9, 2:00 p.m. Kahuku Public & School Library 56-490 Kamehameha Hwy.; Ph. 293-8935

Wednesday, February 16, 3:00 p.m. Liliha Public Library

1515 Liliha St.: Ph. 587-7577

Thursday, February 17, 3:30 p.m. Kapolei Public Library

1020 Manawai St.; Ph. 693-7050

Tuesday, February 22, I 1:30 a.m. Hawaii Kai Public Library 249 Lunalilo Home Rd.: Ph. 397-5833

Wednesday, February 23, 3:00 p.m. Pearl City Public Library

1138 Waimano Home Rd.; Ph. 453-6566

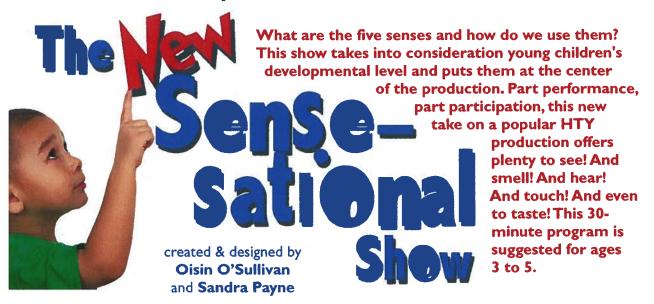
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Island of Maui

Wednesday, January 19, 2 p.m. Wailuku Public Library

251 High St.; Ph. 243-5766

Island of Hawaii

Tuesday, January 25, 3 p.m. Kailua-Kona Public Library 75-138 Hualalai Rd.: Ph. 327-4327

Wednesday, January 26, 2 p.m. Thelma Parker Memorial Public & School Library 67-1209 Mamalahoa Hwy.; Ph. 887-6067

Thursday, January 27, I 2noon Hilo Public Library

300 Waianuenue Ave.; Ph. 933-8888

Island of Kauai

Monday, January 31, 2:30 p.m. Lihue Public Library

4344 Hardy St.; Ph. 241-3222

Tuesday, February 1, 3 p.m. Princeville Public Library

4343 Emmalani Dr.; Ph. 826-4310

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Kihei Public Library Programs & Services Jessica Gleason, Acting Branch Manager

Members of the Board, Aloha.

On behalf of the staff of Kihei Public Library, I would like to thank you for the opportunity to speak to you today about our programs, services, and Kihei Public Library's new self-checkout machine.

From its humble beginnings as a small volunteer-run library, to its acceptance into the Hawaii State Public Library System (HSPLS) in 1988 and its move to a significantly larger building in 1996, Kihei Public Library has grown to be a much visited and beloved part of the South Maui community and the Maui community as a whole.



The original Kihei Library was located in North Kihei in a 1,825 square foot building and was staffed entirely with volunteers. In 1988, the library officially joined the Hawaii State Public Library System. In 1990, the Board of Education approved the HSPLS budget calling for the construction of a new library for Kihei. In 1996, the library opened its doors to an appreciative public.

The library was designed to meet the needs of Kihei's ever-growing community. The library building encompasses over 18,000 square feet, including a spacious children's area, an adult reading lounge, several study carrels and tables, designated areas for the use of laptops, and collections of fiction and non-fiction for all ages. Kihei also houses the Katz Memorial Library collection of books about Jewish history and culture. Library patrons have access to five public internet terminals and five public access catalogs.



Each month the library offers several ongoing programs including two storytimes per week (for preschoolers and toddlers), a monthly Pajama Storytime, Young Volunteers Day, and the First Fridays Teen Literature Group. The youth programs in 2010 have served on average 450 young people per month. Throughout the year, Kihei also offers special programming for people of all ages.







Uncle Wayne Singalong

The library's collection of adult, young adult, children's, and audiovisual materials has grown from a total of 28,600 holdings in September 1996 to approximately 71,575 holdings as of October 2010. Our circulation in the fiscal year 2010 and the beginning of fiscal year 2011 has been between 10,000 and 14,000 items each month.

Kihei is a very busy branch, and our staff of two library assistants, one library technician, and two librarians work diligently to keep up with demand; however, there are frequently long lines at the circulation desk. In order to better serve our patrons, Kihei Public Library has acquired a 3M Self Checkout Machine. Thanks to generous funding from the Maui Friends of the Library and the Kay Allen Edwards Kihei Library Memorial Trust, library patrons can now check out books at their own convenience without a staff member's assistance.

Using their valid HSPLS Library card and personal identification number, library patrons may check out books on their own. The self checkout machine features a touch screen and animated demonstrations of each step in the checkout process. Once all the books have been scanned and demagnetized, a receipt is printed listing the items that have been checked out along with the due date. Library patrons are then invited to stamp the due date inside each book as an additional reminder.



Substitute Library Assistant III Elaine Sugai assists patron Kiely Ehlers at the self checkout machine.

Patrons may use the machine to check out books only. Other media (CDs, DVDs, and audiobooks), magazines, honorbacks, and uncataloged items must still be taken to the Circulation Desk to be borrowed. The self checkout will direct patrons with overdue fines or requests ready for pickup to the Circulation Desk.

The Kihei self checkout machine was officially opened to library patrons on Tuesday, December 7, 2010. As of December 22, 2010, the self checkout has been used by 245 patrons who checked out a total of 756 books.

Kihei staff has already noticed less congestion at the circulation desk, as more patrons are becoming familiar with the self checkout machine. The self checkout is particularly helpful during busy times of the day, especially

after storytimes or special programs. Staff will be able to devote more time to assisting patrons and completing essential behind-thescenes library work. Also, shorter lines mean less wait time for library patrons. Our youngest patrons are especially excited to use the new machine and enjoy scanning and stamping their own books.

Thank you again for your interest in and support of our library. Kihei Public Library has unlimited potential, and our success so far is in large part due to our dedicated staff and volunteers, the support of our community, and of course, the support of the Board of Education and our leaders in government. I invite you to come see us the next time you visit Maui!



Substitute Library Assistant III R.K. Harper assists patron Kit Hawkins at the self checkout machine.