



ART CONTEST: 2010-2011 Kokua Calendar

Be Energy and Water Wise

In ancient times, Native Hawaiians drew their water supplies from fresh water springs, streams and shallow wells. Incredibly, a population that may have reached a million people thrived on the Hawaiian islands through wise management of their lands and water resources.

In the United States, generating power consumes 3 percent of our nation's water annually and 13 percent of the energy produced in this country is used to treat, transport and heat our water. Conserving water saves energy, and vice versa. The water-energy connection is complex, but it provides an excellent opportunity to get students thinking about the interconnection of ecological and environmental concerns.

This year's Kokua Hawaii'i Foundation calendar contest theme is **Be Water and Energy Wise**. While exploring the topics of water and energy conservation, we also encourage you and your students to reflect on the important connections between water and energy.

Think about your home, school, office building, neighborhood, garden, farm, park, etc. Reflect on traditional Native Hawaiian knowledge, practices, and innovations to visualize what it means to *Be Water and Energy Wise*. Use paint, crayons, pastels, fabric, collage, or mixed media to put your vision on paper. The possibilities are endless!

Visit these websites for valuable resources:

- Hawaii School Conservation Awards (www.hawaiischoolconservationawards.org)
- Board of Water Supply, C&C of Honolulu (www.hbws.org)
- National Environmental Education Foundation (www.eeweek.org)

Guidelines:

- **Who can participate?** School-aged children grades K-12. (May be submitted by a Teacher, Parent, or Organization)
- **Format:** 2-dimensional, on 8.5 x 11" paper, oriented horizontally ("landscape")
- **Description:** Include 2-3 sentences that describe your vision on the back.
- **Information:** The following information must also be printed on the back of each entry: Child's Name, Age, Grade, Contact info. (For notification purposes)
- **Criteria:** Artwork will be judged on theme, visual appeal, originality, and creativity.
- **Deadline:** All artwork needs to be submitted by **February 26, 2010** to: Kokua Hawaii'i Foundation, P.O. Box 866 Hale'iwa, HI 96712

Winning entries will be included in the 2010/2011 school year Kokua Calendar. Finalists will be displayed and the cover winner will be chosen at the 2010 Kokua Festival. Each winning artist will receive a copy of the 2010-2011 Kokua calendar, stainless steel reusable water bottle, sticker, and pencil.

Proceeds of calendar sales will support Kokua Hawaii'i Foundation programs: 'AINA In Schools, 3R's, Environmental Education Mini-Grants, Environmental Field Trips, and Kokua Earth Action Projects (KEAP). Submission of photos and artwork grants permission to include these images in any Kokua Hawaii'i Foundation publications or digital media. Entries will only be returned upon request.