Hawai`i State Foundation on Culture and the Arts (HSFCA) is pleased to offer the Art Bento Program @ HiSAM, a standards-based museum education program. Students grades 2 – 6 explore the theme “Responding to Art,” along with their teachers. Artworks from the HSFCA’s Art in Public Places Collection, on view at the Hawai`i State Art Museum (HiSAM), serve as a catalyst to communication and connection. Activities foster 21st Century learning skills: careful observation, critical thinking, incisive listening, and thoughtful speech.

A UNIQUE 4-PART MUSEUM LEARNING EXPERIENCE

1 A Professional development session for teachers (1 hour). A trained Teaching Artist (TA) models the responding process of ODIE: Observe, Describe, Interpret and cite Evidence for thinking. Classroom teachers then practice facilitating conversations using this engagement strategy, which corresponds to Depth of Knowledge (DOK) Levels 3 & 4 thinking.

2 A classroom visit follows, with students introduced to ODIE by “their” TA, followed by the start of a standards-based fine art lesson.

3 The Museum visit: Students experience an inquiry-based guided tour in HiSAM’s galleries, practice ODIE, and continue art-making with their TA. An “I Love Art Gallery” visit provides hands-on learning and a snack provides sustenance!

4 Art Bento concludes with a final classroom visit by the TA. Participants reflect on connections made through the museum visit (seeing the real art) and the art-making experience; concepts and vocabulary are reviewed.

THE ART BENTO CONCEPT is compact, cohesive and modular (like the convenient lunch-time favorite). Each segment complements the last and scaffolds to the next. Inquiry-based activities connect to current Fine Arts and ELA Common Core Standards.

ART BENTO OBJECTIVES

- Increase opportunities for arts education
- Develop literacy through the arts using arts-based inquiry strategies;
- Actively engage students and teachers through observation, discussion and critical thinking.

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