

# Hga

Educational Tours form a Spring 2018

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## Message from Hga

### Greetings GT Supporters!

The new year started off in an optimistic note as Hga welcomed

3 new Board members who brought to the table fresh and positive ideas and perspectives

as Hga welcomed them to their first 2018 Board Meeting in mid January.

Maui Board Member/ Liaison, Tari St Marie who has been supportive of parent inquiries and feedback referrals from Hga. Kauai Board Member/ Liaison Shryl Matias (former gt educator)

has brought to the table an opportunity for Hga to collaborate in their efforts to support HS Seniors and Juniors prepare for college addressing their fiscal concerns and selection of Universities//Colleges. Hga also hope to further collaborate with workshop topics , parent concerns, students referrals and site referrals.



Lastly, Sara Kaye has been influential in motivated students and calling to attention the importance of gt education! (Read more on page 2 about her) Hga is moving forward with several collaborations this year through NAGC advocacy efforts supporting educational funding, professional development, research and locally in our state. Hga advocacy efforts have made an impact on funding across the Nation (12M Javits) to support the gifted and talented with shared resources across the board to learn and provide to one another safe and challenging learning spaces.

### THE ALBIZIA UPDATE 2018

The Albizia Project will be installed on campus In April Joey Valenti;s efforts to design a structure for the homeless addressed a social concern and also the sustainability of using wood from local Albizia trees. His efforts have not gone unrecognized . Hga has followed his determined

efforts in making a statement about his work. Prof.. Valenti has done a Board presentation his past fall and presented to Hga Scholars his accomplishments and status of the project. See his project at

### Featured Board Members

Thank you to Sara Kaye who has quite a list of accomplishments to boast about! In her graduating year as a Senior at Punahou and also a Serteen Member she has been recognized by John Hopkins Center for Talented Youth International Talent, part of the Stanford High School Summer Program, game theory at Princeton University, VP of Service Projects for Ser teens ,youth Council Leader with Hawaii Public Health Institute, Nonprofit community projects ,organizations and participated in the American Association of Women's annual Tech Savvy workshop to

just name a few of her accomplishments.

Her advocacy efforts have not gone unnoticed as she has participated in creating and supporting local legislation and bills important to her that would benefit the state . by providing online testimony

Her mother has been a supportive figure in her life and we are grateful for the parent connection.

Sara was an Hga Scholarship Recipient last fall in October and the little time and moments we have interacted with her and her busy schedule has proved to be beneficial. She has remained convicted to helping Hga in the moments that matter.

Thank you Sara for being part of Hga and our lone Student Board member that has made a difference in Hga outreach and new connections that we have formed in 2018!



### Resources , Grants ,Scholarshipa

Grants; Hga is accepting grant proposals for 2018 from High school and higher education students for financial support. A letter of request is required as to your background and why you are seeking scholarship funds i.e. higher education and how it would benefit your career. Email [higifted@aol.com](mailto:higifted@aol.com) attention-Hga Scholarship. Recipients will be notified by the end of October

#### Add'tl Grants:

- Cooke Foundation
- Mott Scholarship
- ABA Scholarship
- Torrance Scholarship
- APCU Scholarship

#### Added Resources:

- Kauaitocollege/org
- Pearson.org
- Esri.com
- Giftedstudy.org
- Accrediedschoolsonline.org
- SIG /Summer Institute for the Gifted
- AfterSchoolAlliance.org

*Travel is an education in itself. But, the benefits of travel go beyond education. Research demonstrates that student travel experiences positively impact personal development, academic performance and social interaction. Documented research from SYTA (The Voice of Student and Youth Travel Assoc.) informs, educates and advocates for student travel. They have found that 79% see travel as building cont'd pg. 3*

### IN our Schools and Universities



Summer Sessions; interested in collaborating with Hga during the summer? Let us know We would be happy to collaborate a summer session to benefit the gifted and talented

KAUAI Workshop on Kauai, hosted by "The Bridge Program 12 noon to 3pm at Kauai High . Email [higifted@aol.com](mailto:higifted@aol.com) for details if interested in attending.

**ETI Tours in 2018-2020!**

cultural awareness while an additional 56% found travel enhances a student’s education and career goals Hga is forming a partnership with Educational Tours, Inc. and would like to assist your school, group or University in taking you away from your classroom for a lifelong learning experience. We are happy to work

with Educational Tours, Inc.

*Founded in 1983, Educational Tours, Inc is a highly respected student tour operator custom designing educational travel experiences for student groups to destinations throughout the country and around the world. With membership in the American*

*Bus Association and a leadership role in the Student & Youth Travel Association, the company holds broad industry knowledge and rich relationships. ETI, Inc. partners with industry suppliers who have intentionally created educational programming designed around curriculum to impact the educational process as well as the individual traveler.*

**Loon Story of Albizia**



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AlbiziaProject.com and view his video clips, personal comments and commitment to the project as well as his personal connection to it.

For those interested in learning more about the project you can also email Hga or Prof. . Valenti with questions.

Hga is happy to have supported the project and also two of the original project students that formed the foundation of the Albizia structure.

Thank you Joey for sharing your project with the gifted and talented on a local and National level!

**ONGOING Learning opportunities!!**

ESRI

Is offering a free online course to those interested in learning more about GIS! The course provides students to "try out" the GIS program and what it offers before actually registering for a course o directing their interest not the course of study. Cartographers will provide hands on exercises using ArcGIS ProGo and guide you to becoming a smarter map-maker with 2hr content each

Topics include; Location Advantage course on market planning, site selection, market analysis and supply chain mgmt. REG at www.esri.com!!

STEM

The Manoa Innovation is on the move and still going! Looking to expand your classroom experience, need inspiration or a new perspective? They are a wonderful resources for eager

educators looking to jump start your spring curricula! Hga will be hosting them at their next Board Meeting in June and guest are welcome. Let us know if you would like to attend by emailing hga at hgifted@aol.com we will add you on our list of attendees!



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our website! Thank you again!

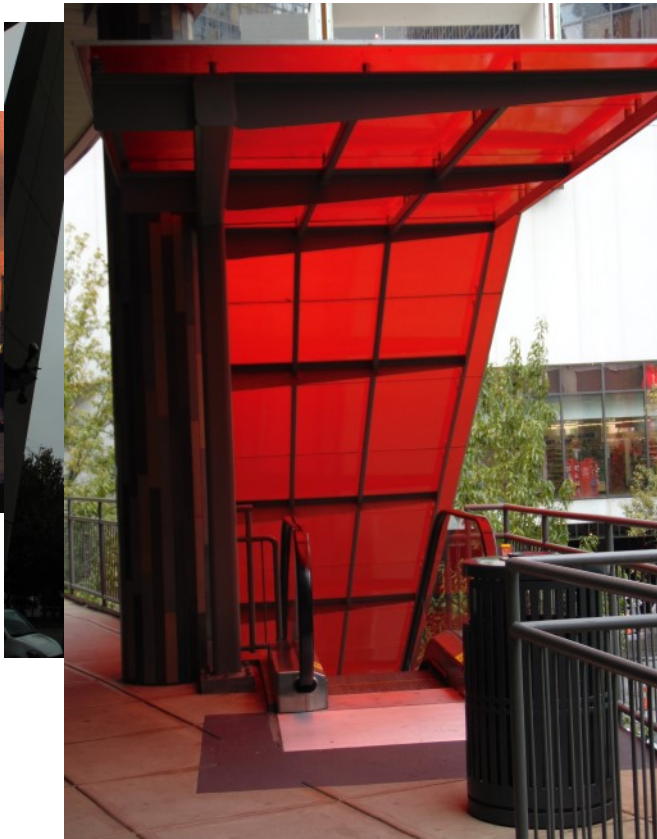


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designed  
around curriculum to impact  
the  
educational process as well  
as the  
individual traveler.*

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ing out more  
information please contact  
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at [higifted@aol.com](mailto:higifted@aol.com). We  
can provide more  
details and specifics includ-  
ing optional travel needs,  
destinations, scholarship  
opportunities and more to  
make your travels safe and  
Challenging!



### ADVOCACY EFFORTS: STANDING TALL ON GIFTED AND TALENTED

Vision on 20/20 Hga next  
theme will be to look for-  
ward in 2020 and foresee  
how gifted and talented will  
find their place in your state  
or community. Send us your  
vision for 2010 as to how  
you will make an impact in  
2020 and effect the future of  
gifted education. In 20/20  
perfect vision a viable an-  
swer? Can we all find a so-  
lution to addressing the  
needs of the gifted and tal-  
ented as well as recognizing  
the whole child and their  
needs. We would like to  
know your views for 20/20!

What's your perfect vision?  
How can you support and  
ensure our children a " safe  
and challenging learning  
space"?

Provide a visual?  
Write a creative narrative?  
Send Hga a video or photo!



The George B. Carter Serteens Club of Hawaii has been serving gifted and talented teens in Hawaii for over 40 years by providing opportunities for social interaction, service to the community, leadership training, and financial aid through scholarships.

In 1972, the Oahu chapter of Sertoma, a non-profit organization, elected to serve the gifted and talented students of Hawaii. This group, under the charge of Colonel Ed Jurkens and Major George B. Carter founded The Serteens Club of Hawaii.

In July 2004, the club was renamed the George B. Carter Serteens Club of Hawaii to honor the man who devoted his life to motivating gifted and talented teens both here and abroad. In 2011, George Carter passed away but the club he helped found continues to serve the community. Today, over a thousand of Hawaii's gifted and talented students have been a part of Serteens and many have come back to serve as Sertomans.

Upcoming events include the club's Appreciation Banquet, celebrating the accomplishments of the year, graduating seniors, and announcement our scholarship award winners. In July we have our Leadership Camp, a three-day camp held at Camp Erdman. This camp is the first camp for the new members to participate in team-building activities, campfires, and games. Mini-workshops on self-awareness, planning, and prioritization also prepare members for the highlight of the year: The Knights Motivational Camp which is held in February.

Sara Kay, Corresponding Secretary, George B. Carter Serteens Club of Hawaii-

*Serteens is my sanctuary. We're a group of gifted teenagers and my band of everyday superheroes. Whether we're clearing marshlands, picking up litter from beaches, delivering pantry supplies to food banks, or tutoring children from low-income families, we strive to make a difference in our community. I may be gawky, introverted, and curious, but through Serteens, I've discovered the power of self-confidence and purpose. After all, it's the small things we do in everyday life that count the most. Although I am graduating from the program in April, I can't wait to search out my own circle of cool superheroes in college!*

For more information about Serteens go to [www.serteenshawaii.org](http://www.serteenshawaii.org)