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**Ka Makana Ali'i Hosts INPEACE's The Science of Kapa Exhibit
at The Center for West O'ahu Through Oct. 29**

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KAPOLEI, HI (Oct. 25, 2022) — Now through Saturday, Oct. 29, Ka Makana Ali'i is pleased to host INPEACE's The Science of Kapa exhibit at the Center for West O'ahu. The interactive Hawaiian culture and science exhibit offers attendees of all ages the opportunity to kilo (observe), 'imi loa (explore), and noi'i (investigate) the methods of making kapa, a fabric made by Native Hawaiians. The exhibit, located in the Macy's wing of the Center between No'eau Designers and Get Nutz Wear, is open to the public and free of charge. It is open every Monday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. No registration or tickets required.

The Science of Kapa offers a hands-on experience that demonstrates how wauke becomes kapa, focusing on the science involved in the process. Participants engage in puzzle activities showing parts of a wauke plant, experience the odors of the actual fermentation process, participate in table activities that mimic the pounding of the kapa utilizing the tools used by practitioners, and print designs using 'ohe kapala and ink pads. Activity kits are available for purchase if 'ohana are interested in continuing the learning at home.

"Ka Makana Ali'i is honored to host INPEACE's The Science of Kapa exhibit at the Center for West O'ahu," said Stephanie England, general manager. "We hope students will learn to appreciate the process of making kapa and will seek the kapa designs throughout the Center and in the Food Market that tell the story of this place where Ka Makana Ali'i stands. We are proud to bring this amazing exhibit of culture and education to our Center."

Designed to be a traveling pop-up indigenous science center, INPEACE's Kaulele program is working to create exhibits that provide hands-on interactive learning opportunities, presented through an indigenous lens and focused on Hawaiian cultural practices. INPEACE's Kaulele

program is supported by the National Science Foundation, The Institute of Museum and Library Sciences, Atherton Family Foundation, Cooke Foundation, Central Pacific Bank, Windrose Fun, University of Hawai'i – Hawai'iñuiākea School of Hawaiian Knowledge and Kamehameha Schools. For more information, visit www.inpeace.org/events or call (808) 693-7222.

Visit our website at www.KaMakanaAlii.com for more details about upcoming promotions. For the latest news and updates, follow Ka Makana Ali'i on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram, all with profile name @kamakanaalii. For media inquiries and on-property approval, please contact alyssa.amasol@finnpartners.com.

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About Ka Makana Ali'i

Ka Makana Ali'i offers residents and visitors a family-friendly, mixed-use center in the heart of Hawai'i's fastest growing community. The 750,000-square-foot Macy's-anchored center features more than 100 exciting stores, restaurants, a state-of-the-art Consolidated Theatres and the state's first Hampton Inn & Suites by Hilton located on property. The newest development, The Grove at Ka Makana Ali'i, creates an additional 109,000 square feet of space with lifestyle retailers, eateries and services, such as 24 Hour Fitness, Foodland Farms, Straub Clinic and Urgent Care, and PetSmart. Serving as the premier gathering place in Kapolei, Ka Makana Ali'i fulfills the shopping and dining needs of the ever-expanding community. Its convenient location offers excellent highway access, ample parking and public transportation for shoppers. Through an innovative partnership with Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, Ka Makana Ali'i will financially support programs benefiting Native Hawaiian interests statewide for decades to come. For more information, please visit www.kamakanaalii.com.

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