

Lahaina's Annual Poster Contest

LAHAINA, MAUI, HAWAII – Artists across the island are gearing up for Lahaina's annual Poster Contest sponsored by LahainaTown Action Committee and Lahaina Arts Society. Now in its 23rd year, the poster contest offers a grand prize of \$2,500.00. Each year, the winning art becomes the limited edition official Lahaina poster for the next year.

The competition is open to all artists. The artwork must be original and unpublished with the image being a recognizable scene of Lahaina. Past winners of this prestigious competition include Carleton Kinkade, George Allen, Stephen Burr, Jim Kingwell, Ronaldo Macedo, C.S. Perry, John Cosby, and Michael Krahn, among others.

In addition to the \$2,500.00 first prize, there are cash prizes for the Lahaina Arts Society Award, Most Promising Artist, People's Choice, and Honorable Mention. The official Lahaina Poster is limited to 1,000 prints and is a popular collectors item for art enthusiasts on Maui as well as from around the world. It is sold at the Lahaina Visitors Center and in fine galleries throughout the town.

Winners will be announced at a reception on Friday, Sept.9th from 6pm – 8pm in the Lahaina Art Society's Old Lahaina Jail Gallery in the Old Lahaina Courthouse.

All Maui entries must be delivered to the first floor of the Old Lahaina Courthouse on Friday, September 2nd between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Off-island entries must be received from August 29th to September 2nd. Prize winners will be chosen from juried entries that will be on exhibit in the Old Lahaina Jail Gallery, in the Old Lahaina Courthouse from Tuesday, September 6th to Sunday, October 2nd, 2010.

There is a non-refundable entry fee of \$30 per entry, with a limit of three entries per artist. Work must be framed, ready for hanging (using screw eyes and wire) and available for sale. Pieces that are incomplete (wet paint) or not ready for hanging will not be accepted.

For more information, go to the Lahaina Town Action Committee website at www.visitlahaina.com or call Lynn Donovan at LahainaTown Action Committee at 667-9175.