



KS IN THE NEWS

NEW KAILUA-KONA PRESCHOOL

As part of KS' Trustees' decision to expand preschool services, Kamehameha Schools has launched a new preschool at Moku'aikaua Church, Kailua-Kona. Among the first and largest Kamehameha Schools programs for 3-year-olds in the state, six staff members instruct 48 children in preparation for kindergarten. Three-year-olds who graduate from this program will move on to the 4-year old classrooms at the Church of the Nazarene.

– O'ahu public access television – channels between January 30 and mid-February. Michelle has studied video production for three years and plans to pursue a career in communications and filmmaking.

RECENT ALUMNI CD RELEASES

Two Nā Hōkū Hanohano Award-winning Kamehameha alumni have recently released CDs that are again up for award consideration as preliminary balloting begins for the 23rd Annual Nā Hōkū Hanohano Awards ceremonies, May 21 at the Sheraton Waikīkī Hotel.

The Hawai'i Academy of Recording Arts' 1986 Female Vocalist of the Year **Marlene Sai '59** partnered with daughter **L. Mahela Cockett Ichinose '85** for their first full outing together titled *Marlene & Mahela – Two-together Island Style* – Mahela appeared earlier with mom on one track of the 1986 award winning album *Marlene*. *Two-together* features old favorites like "Pua 'Olena," "Hula Blues" and "Honolulu I'm Coming Back Again" as well as new compositions as mother and daughter solo and duo throughout this release by Outrigger Entertainment.

In 1979 **George Kahumoku Jr. '69** was honored with a Nā Hōkū Hanohano Award for his kī hō'alu compositions on Auntie Edith Kanaka'ole's priceless work *Ha'aku'i Pele I Hawai'i*. Since then, he's built an outstanding career as an artist (sculptor), musician, songwriter/composer, farmer, storyteller and teacher. His new release, *Hymns of Hawai'i* with Daniel Ho, features favorites like "Lokomaika'i (Amazing Grace)," "Ko Aloha O Ke Akua (The Queen's Prayer)," and "Kanaka Waiwai," plus recent compositions in the kī hō'alu style. The CD is released through Aire Music.

Aspiring filmmaker
Michelle Meuller '00 at
the editing console with
teacher/filmmaker
Patricia Gillespie



TEACHER/PUPIL FILMS

Hawai'i Public Television's recent valentine to the people of Hawai'i was to air Kamehameha TV production teacher Patricia Gillespie's film *It Happened in Greenford* – a tale of love, families and fate. This heartwarming film – part of the 1997 Hawai'i Film Festival – was recently reworked by Gillespie who added a brand new, original score by Maui's Salvador Godinez in the '30s and '40s style, befitting the tale.

In the same week, one of Patricia's students, Michelle Meuller '00 saw her recent film *Aotearoa, Land of the Long White Cloud* aired on three 'Ōlelo



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