

## Honolulu Zoo Children's Discovery Forest Engages Community Volunteers

Volunteer Coordinator Linda Duling continues to host volunteers and youth groups at the Honolulu Zoo Children’s Discovery Forest. So far this year, 48 volunteers have helped with weeding, outplanting, and harvesting sweet potato, sugar cane, taro, and banana for animals at the zoo. Groups included Kamehameha Schools, Farrington Highschool, Kiwanis Club, Circle K, Kapolei Key Club, Kalani Key Club, as well as community volunteers.

HFI received a \$40,000 award from the Hawai‘i Tourism Authority and Hawai‘i Community Foundation through the Aloha ‘Āina Program for the Mahalo ‘Āina Discovery Forests Project, which includes the Honolulu Zoo, Pana‘ewa Zoo, and Keauhou Bird Conservation Center Discovery Forests.

The Hawai‘i Forest Institute (HFI) recently produced a [Docent Workbook Interpretive Guide](#) and [Forest Friends Coloring Book](#) featuring native animals and their habitat, funded by a City & County of Honolulu Grant-in-Aid. The interpretive guide and coloring book were created by Paul Arinaga, Linda Duling, HFI President Travis Idol and artist Diana Tusher. The coloring book offers art activities and fun facts about various animals, including the Pueo (Hawaiian Short Eared Owl), ‘Ōpe‘ape‘a (Hawaiian Hoary Bat), Pulelehua (Kamehameha Butterfly), Nēnē (Hawaiian Goose), and many more. Another new addition to the project is [Honolulu Zoo Children’s Discovery Forest New Plant ID Pages](#).

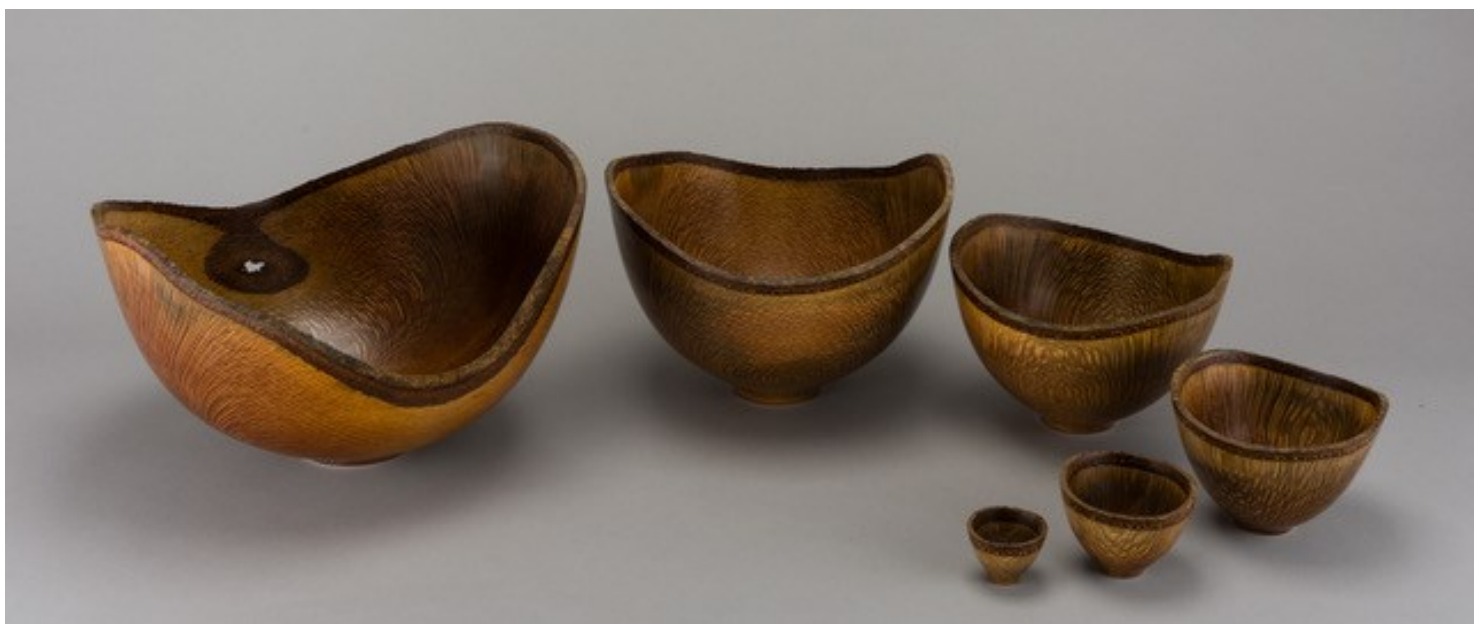


▲ Farrington Highschool students replant sugar cane at the Discovery Forest. 3/12/2022.

## Andy Cole’s Work Selected for Prestigious Exhibition

Andy Cole’s “Hawaiian Sixpack” was selected for the Bernstein/Chernoff collection at the Renwick Gallery of the Smithsonian American Art Museum for *The Present Moment: Crafting a Better World* exhibition, which will run May 13, 2022 through April 2, 2023. Learn more about the exhibition [here](#).

Andy is a HFIA Member, past HFIA Director, award winning woodworker, and Hawaii’s Woodshow volunteer.



▲ Collectors Judy Chernoff and Jeffery Bersstein donated Andy Cole’s piece as part of their collection to the Renwick acquisition. Photo: Mitro Hood.