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Robin Kaye

Professional Experience

Robin and his wife moved to Lana'i to document a threatened lifestyle as the island was facing a transition from a pineapple plantation economy to resort development. While that shift was postponed until the late 1980s, Robin's resulting book of photographs -- *Lana'i Folks* -- was published by the University of Hawaii Press in 1981 (and subsequently reprinted in 2010 by the Lana'i Culture and Heritage Center.)

Robin began a career in the arts and nonprofit sectors, working for the Hawaii State Foundation on Culture and the Arts, the California Arts Council, the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts, and the Pittsburgh Cultural Trust. he and a partner launched the management consulting firm of Dewey & Kaye, Inc. (DKI) www.deweykaye.com, which works with nonprofit organizations, foundations and government agencies. Robin's work with nonprofits has involved board development, long range planning, and executive searches for foundation program staff and nonprofit executive directors. He was deeply involved in the conception, launch and implementation of a five-year, million dollar community grants program for an international corporate foundation. Robin is a certified meeting facilitator.

Robin moved back to Lana'i He serves as spokesperson for Friends of Lānaʻi, www.friendsoflanai.org and provides consulting services to the Lānaʻi Youth Center, Lānaʻi Culture and Heritage Center, Coalition for a Drug Free Lānaʻi, and the Lānaʻi Community Health Center. He served on the Hulopoe Park Beach Council and is a member of Lanaians for Sensible Growth (LSG).

Robin serves as the Lana'i representative for the Marine and Coastal Zone Advocacy Council (MACZAC).

Three years ago, along with two other members of the Lana'i community, Robin created a new nonprofit called Lana'i Changes (LC). LC is Lana'i's community development corporation, dedicated to providing diversity in Lana'i's economic future. Robin currently serves as the President for Lana'i Changes.

Education

Robin has a BA from the George Washington University, and served in Peace Corps/Malaysia.