

OUR STORY

Storybook Theatre of Hawaii and The Spark M. Matsunaga International Garden for Peace crown historic Hanapepe's Main Street. Our restored 85 year-old red wooden building features a professional theater, studio and classroom, media center, art co-op and local author's book shop.



Walk through a verdant arbor along the "pathway to peace" and discover our interpretative garden named in honor of **hometown hero and peace advocate, Spark M. Matsunaga**, the visionary Hawaiian Senator who served from 1977-90.



Our garden serves as a living memorial and a community gathering point utilized by schools, artists and musicians, island non-profits and families. The larger-than-life-sized bronze statue of Sparky is one of a kind; it reminds our youth to dream big, serve the highest good, and persevere!

ʻImi ola!

Founded by Mark Jeffers in 1979, Storybook Theatre has evolved from a touring children's theater into a dynamic multimedia and youth education center.

After 35 years, we are proud to be known for our innovative programs and projects that enrich the lives of children and their families, our unique place in present day and historic Hanapepe Town, our promotion of arts and culture, and our international educational center for peace.



Mark Jeffers

Founder

Director of Programming

"My mission is to get good stories to children. Period. Storytelling isn't all make-believe and fantasy. It plays a vital social and cultural role, and contributes greatly to the healthy development of a child."

