In 2013 Alisi was 1 of 4 artists that exhibited in the 1st Utah Pacific Island Heritage Month art exhibit. PEAU was founded by Alisi Maka’afi as a mentoring partner of Pacific Island Knowledge 2 Action Resources (PIK2AR) in 2014. As a Pacific Island artist of Maori and Tongan descent Alisi longed to see her communities art throughout Salt Lake, the home to 1 in 4 Tongans in the United States. Alisi’s 2nd goal was to provide an income for herself and artists like her from her art. She took the reigns of the UPIHM exhibit in 2013 with no experience in art administration or exhibiting. Each year many Pacific Island artists exhibit for the 1st time at the annual PEAU exhibit. Since 2014 Alisi was able to begin annual exhibits at Sorenson Unity Center, SLC County Libraries and in 2017 in the State’s Folk Art, Chase Museum. Family responsibilities moved Alisi back to New Zealand in late 2017 where she began PEAU New Zealand. The next chapter of PEAU…. 
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Monthly Artist/Creator Meetups

Annual Salt Lake County Library Exhibit

Annual Sorenson Unity Center Exhibit

6th Annual Utah Pacific Island Heritage Month Annual Exhibit

2017 “Current” Exhibit at Chase Museum