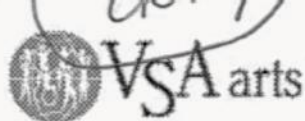


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A short history of VSA arts



University of Hawaii Music Professor, Dr. Arthur Harvey, Vice President of VSA arts of Hawaii-Pacific, speaks with friend and colleague Ambassador Jean Kennedy-Smith, the founder of VSA art, at the 30th anniversary celebration in Washington, D.C.

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