The Hawai`i Peace Memorial is located adjacent to Kennedy Theatre on the Manoa campus of the University of Hawai`i in Honolulu, Hawai`i. It was dedicated October 24, 1986. This PowerPoint presentation exhibits one visitor's perspective on a peace scene.
“The Hawai`i Peace Memorial commemorates the thousands of Japanese immigrants who came to Hawai`i following the arrival of the first laborers from Japan on June 20, 1868. It was by courage, sacrifice and perseverance that they succeeded in establishing their roots deeply in the soil of their new land. The memorial commemorates these first-generation men and women who instilled their ideas of service, humanity and world peace in their children.”
The components of this granite memorial from top to bottom are origin, wind, fire, water, and earth, each with the corresponding Japanese character.