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City reaches agreement to reduced number of street events in Waikīkī for 2016

Michael Formby, Director of the City Department of Transportation Services, and Waikīkī Festival organizer David Millwood discussed in February the community’s concerns regarding the number street closures in Waikīkī and Ohana Production’s planned festivals for 2016. Formby has said that the City received numerous complaints over the last three years that there were just too many parades and events taking place in Waikīkī that close down Kalākaua Ave.

The City department of Transportation Services grants permits to 14 annual renewable festivals and events including Aloha Festivals Parade, Honolulu Marathon, Honolulu Festival, and other community purposed festivals. Permits for the possibility of additional events are determined through a lottery system in September.

David Millwood’s Ohana Productions applied for 15 permits and received 11 to close Kalākaua Avenue to produce a series of food vendor ‘for profit’ festivals throughout the year advertised as “Hawai’i’s largest party in Waikīkī”.

While the ordinance allows for discretion of the director of DTS to add events, the City looks for input from the Waikīkī Neighborhood Board, Waikīkī Improvement Association and visitor industry to see whether the events serve a cultural and public purpose. Also, whether they have the right mix for Waikīkī and that visitors and residents will attend and have great Waikīkī experience.

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The Waikīkī Neighborhood Board passed a resolution by a vote of 11-2 during its Jan.12, 2016 meeting asking the City to stop allowing for-profit events to close Kalākaua on Saturday nights for events that do not serve a public or cultural purpose. Board members also wanted to seek the City's advice in tweaking the rules for permitting parade and event street closures in the district.

Rick Egged, president of the Waikīkī Improvement Association, said his members want the Honolulu City Council and City administrators to review the current policy.

"The problem is two-fold. First - events are supposed to be for a public purpose, but the requirements are not defined. Second - WIA members believe there are just too many events taking place. As time has gone by, Waikīkī has become more congested," said Egged.

Egged plans to ask the City Council to reduce the number of closures allowed under the law. As to Millwood's events, Egged expressed major concerns regarding any event closing Kalākaua Avenue the weekend of Valentine's Day, Feb. 12-14. The association "believes such an event causes traffic gridlock at a time when every restaurant and business in Waikīkī is at (or close) to capacity. We therefore respectfully request any application for a street closure permit for the aforementioned dates be denied," Egged said in the Honolulu Star Advertiser, January 31, 2015.

After the February discussion and all the input with the Waikīkī community stake holders, owner David Millwood agreed with the City to cancel eight of his remaining festivals if his February 20 Hearts and Hugs festival and his March 5 Lucky to Be in Hawaii Festival were allowed to proceed. "I told Mr. Millwood that I was very grateful to him for making that generous offer because it gives the City time to revise the administrative rules and law governing this topic," said Formby.

"We really appreciate the City's response and want to thank David Millwood's understanding of the situation and his willingness to work with all of Waikīkī and agreeing to creating a reasonable solution for an exciting 2016 Waikīkī event schedule" added Egged.

Aloha Festivals will celebrate its 70th year

This year **Aloha Festivals** will celebrate its **70th year** as Hawai'i's premiere cultural event!

The mission of Aloha Festivals is "*to foster the Aloha Spirit through the perpetuation of the Hawaiian culture and the celebration of the diverse customs and traditions of Hawai'i*". Each year, hundreds of volunteers labor to stage the events, which are enjoyed by over one hundred thousand visitors and residents. The theme this year is "*TREASURED MEMORIES*".

We would appreciate your consideration of supporting the festival by becoming a Member or Corporate Sponsor. Application forms are available. It is because of firm supporters like you that the Aloha Festivals can continue to be celebrated! If you have any questions you may contact us at 923-2030 or aloha.festivals@waikikiimprovement.com.

The **Waikiki Ho'olaule'a** will be held on **Saturday, September 17th** and the **Floral Parade** will be on **Saturday, September 24th**. **Hope to see you there!**



Honolulu Festival to dazzle day and night with free cultural performances, parade and fireworks show, March 11-13

The Honolulu Festival is set to showcase a weekend of Pacific Rim cultural performances, exhibits, craft fairs, workshops, movie screenings, and more for the enjoyment of residents and visitors the weekend of March 11 – 13.

Celebrating its 22nd year of bridging the cultures and people between the Pacific Rim and Hawaii, the Honolulu Festival cultural performances will be held at three convenient locations: Hawaii Convention Center, Waikiki Beach Walk, and Ala Moana Center. The Hawaii Convention Center will be the host site for the food providers, craft fairs, workshops, and movie screenings. Best of all, everyone can experience all this and more for *FREE*.



Photos courtesy Honolulu Festival Foundation

The Honolulu Festival will conclude Sunday evening (March 13) with two highly anticipated events. First, the always-popular **Waikiki Grand Parade** begins at 4:30 p.m. on Kalakaua Avenue featuring performers, floats, and groups from Pacific Rim countries and Hawaii. Following the parade, the magnificent **Nagaoka Fireworks Show** will light up the night skies over Waikiki, starting at 8:30 p.m.

Under the banner “**Pacific Harmony**,” the Honolulu Festival is committed to perpetuating the strong cultural ties between the Pacific Rim and Hawaii, as depicted in this year’s theme, “**Cultural Harmony, Journey to Peace**.”

Tsukasa Harufuku, president of the Honolulu Festival Foundation, said, “As we gather in Hawaii for a special weekend of cultural learning and entertainment, we are thrilled to be celebrating 22 years of international partnerships and cooperation. This year, we are excited to welcome to the Festival our first group from Europe to join nearly 140 talented performers and entertainers from various Pacific Rim countries.”

In addition to the Festival’s cultural significance, Hawaii’s tourism economy benefits as well. Nearly 5,000 visitors are coming to Hawaii just to participate in the Festival and comprise most of the 124 groups performing.

In its first 21 years, the Festival has generated an estimated \$200 million total in visitor spending. Governor David Ige, commented, “The Honolulu Festival continues to be a longstanding cultural event that highlights the diversity of our island state through various scheduled events and exhibits. Through festivals like this, the people of Hawaii are able to share with the world the Aloha spirit that makes our islands so unique. In turn, we are also able to learn and appreciate the diversity of the Pacific Rim that will also be on display. I invite and encourage our residents and visitors to take part in and enjoy all that the Honolulu Festival has to offer.”

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Nagoaka City, sister city to Honolulu and host of the world-renowned **Nagoaka Fireworks Show**, will dazzle residents and visitors alike throughout Waikiki for the fifth straight year, with Sunday's grand finale to the Festival.

“The Honolulu Festival has emerged as an annual celebration of cultural appreciation between the State of Hawaii, the City and County of Honolulu and our friends throughout the Pacific Rim,” said Honolulu Mayor Kirk Caldwell. “For over two decades this popular event has played a vital role in promoting a greater understanding of different cultures and traditions to future generations through dance, music and the arts.



Congratulations and mahalo to Honolulu Festival organizers for 22 years of success. I appreciate your efforts in helping to achieve cultural harmony in our islands and across the Pacific.”

The Honolulu Festival is supported by the Hawaii Tourism Authority and several corporate sponsors that believe in the importance of promoting and celebrating the cultural diversity found in the peoples and cultures in the Pacific Rim, such as Outrigger Enterprises, host of the performances at Waikiki Beach Walk.

“Outrigger Resorts is proud to be a long-time sponsor of the Honolulu Festival and help carry the torch of perpetuating arts, music and culture here in Hawaii,” said David Carey, president and CEO of Outrigger Enterprises Group. “As a Hawaii company expanding to iconic beachfront regions in Asia Pacific and the Indian Ocean – Outrigger has been purposeful to infuse culture from each resort’s region into the property; art and music are two powerful tools we use to help connect our hosts to their roots and provide our guests with an authentic sense of place.”

See attachment for schedule highlights.

Kani Ka Pila Grille celebrates 7th anniversary

Weeklong celebration includes live Hawaiian music, nightly giveaways, and a chance to win a two-night stay at the Outrigger Reef Waikiki Beach Resort

Kani Ka Pila Grille, Honolulu's home for live Hawaiian music, will celebrate its 7th anniversary with a fun-filled week of festivities from March 13 to 19. The restaurant kicks off its anniversary with live island music from 3 to 5 p.m., Hawaiian music from 6 to 9 p.m., and nightly giveaways of Kani Ka Pila Grille logo items. Guests also have a chance to win a two-night staycation at Outrigger Reef Waikiki Beach Resort and a \$100 dining certificate for Kani Ka Pila Grille.



"Outrigger has long supported perpetuating Hawaii's musical and cultural heritage, and we opened Kani Ka Pila Grille to give authentic island music a place it could call home," said Luana Maitland, ambassador of aloha for the Outrigger Reef Waikiki Beach Resort and music director at Kani Ka Pila Grille. "As we celebrate the restaurant's seventh anniversary, we are thrilled to see so many locals and visitors continue to dance, sing along and enjoy Hawaiian music."

'Kani Ka Pila' means "to make music" and the poolside restaurant is aptly named. Open for breakfast, lunch and dinner, the restaurant turns into the top Hawaii hot spot to experience true island music every night of the week. Some of Hawaii's most beloved musicians - new local talent and island artists of international renown - take the stage to play contemporary and traditional Hawaiian music, filling the weekly schedule of afternoon and evening performances. Legendary musicians Weldon Kekauoha, Cyril Pahinui, Kawika Kahiapo, Hookena, Sean Naauao, up-and-coming hit-makers and many special guests perform regularly. To view the monthly music calendar, visit: <http://www.outrigger.com/outrigger-music/kani-ka-pila-grille>.

Entry forms for the 7th anniversary prize package will be available at Kani Ka Pila Grille starting Sunday, March 13. The winner will be announced on Saturday, March 19 at 7 p.m. You must be present to win.



Uncle Tetsu Japanese Cheesecake opens at Royal Hawaiian Center

Uncle Tetsu Japanese Cheesecake opened its first bakery in the United States today at Royal Hawaiian Center. Uncle Tetsu has been in business for over 25 years in Japan and the company's cheesecakes have become an international sensation with 70 locations around the world.



JAPANESE CHEESECAKE



The 618 square foot bakery will serve its signature, handmade Japanese cheesecakes, Royal Hawaiian Center exclusive offerings such as the Coconut Madeline and the Hawaiian Coffee Cheesecake, in addition to handcrafted Asian-inspired beverages. “We are very excited to welcome this iconic Japanese brand to our Pā‘ina Lanai Food Court,” says Marleen ‘Ākau, general manager of Royal Hawaiian Center. “Uncle Tetsu’s signature cheesecakes and freshly baked treats will be very popular with our international visitors and local residents.”

Uncle Tetsu Japanese Cheesecake is located on the Diamond Head side of the Pā‘ina Lanai Food Court in Building B, Level 2.

The bakery is open daily from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. For special orders, please call (808) 922-9680.

For information on Royal Hawaiian Center, visit our website at www.RoyalHawaiianCenter.com or call Guest Services at (808) 922-2299.

Hilton Hawaiian Village’s premiere wedding venue reopens as the AKALA Chapel

Hilton Hawaiian Village Waikiki Beach Resort is excited to announce that its Ocean Crystal Chapel has been refreshed and has reopened as the AKALA Chapel under the management of Watabe Wedding Corporation. Watabe Wedding is a leader in resort weddings with more than 40 years of experience in Hawaii. A traditional Hawaiian blessing and grand opening of the AKALA Chapel was held on Feb. 12, 2016.

The AKALA Chapel, located in the center of the vast grounds of Hilton Hawaiian Village, is bordered by a stunning lava rock waterfall and surrounded by a lovely garden pool, island blooms and tropical greenery. The first floor features a spacious guest lounge and an elegant bride’s room. The airy second story features seating for 50 guests and floor-to-ceiling windows providing the perfect backdrop to a special day. Couples may also opt for the adjacent AKALA Gazebo for a picture-perfect venue at a smaller capacity of up to 25 guests. After the ceremony, the wedding party has easy access to spectacular photo opportunities at Duke Kahanamoku Beach, and the backdrop of world-famous Waikiki. “AKALA” in the Hawaiian language references the sun, and characterizes the abundant sunlight which shines into the chapel.

In addition to the AKALA Chapel and Gazebo, the White Beach Chapel offers a 40-capacity venue offering stunning views of the Duke Kahanamoku Lagoon and Pacific Ocean through floor-to-ceiling glass walls. The White Beach Chapel is operated by Karissma by Best Bridal Hawaii.

A la carte pricing for ceremonies starts from \$2,500 for both chapels and includes a 90-minute reservation at the facility, wedding rehearsal, ceremony coordinator, and a keepsake marriage certificate. The a la carte pricing for the gazebo starts from \$1,000 for a 60-minute reservation of the area, coordinator and keepsake marriage certificate.

The experienced wedding teams can also assist with ceremony packages that include officiates, musicians, photographers, fresh flower lei and more.

For more information, please contact the hotel at 808-949-4321.

Hawaii Prince Hotel Waikiki hosts South American wine tasting

Enjoy a night of wine, food, and entertainment at Hawaii Prince Hotel Waikiki's South American Wine Tasting. The event will showcase over 25 varieties of wine, paired with exquisite South American cuisine including grilled sirloin with chimichurri aioli, seafood stew with potatoes and sliced bread, beef empanada, black bean and corn salad, chicken with piri piri marinade, and couscous salad. End the night on a sweet note with a delicious chocolate caramel sandwich cookie. Sway to the live Latin beat of Eddie Ortiz and Son Caribe. Guests must be 21 or over to attend.

WHEN: Saturday, March 19, 2016 at 6:00 P.M.

WHERE: Hawaii Prince Hotel Waikiki, Mauna Kea Ballroom

COST: \$59 advance purchase (by March 17), \$64 at the door

MORE INFO: For more information or to book online, visit www.hawaiiprincehotel.com/events

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HAWAII PRINCE HOTEL WAIKIKI
AND GOLF CLUB

14th Annual Waikiki SPAM® JAM Festival to bring mouthwatering goodness

*One of Hawaii's top-rated street festivals
celebrates local love of SPAM® products on April 30, 2016*



It is not uncommon for a dish to be associated with a place. This is certainly the case for SPAM® products and Hawaii.

Hawaii's love of the iconic pre-cooked ham product from Hormel Foods has a history dating back to World War II, when the luncheon meat was served to GIs. Flash forward 75 years and billions of cans of SPAM® products sold; Hawaii continues to celebrate the local favorite at the Waikiki SPAM® JAM Festival, with the 14th annual street festival set for April 30, 2016, along Kalakaua Avenue from 4 to 10 p.m.

"The SPAM® brand and Hawaii are intertwined. It's a staple of the local diet," said Barbara Campbell, Waikiki SPAM® JAM Festival co-founder and vice president of retail leasing and development at Outrigger Enterprises Group. "Outrigger is proud to support this fun and delicious celebration of Hawaii's history and culture."

Each year, 25,000 locals and tourists turn out for this unique festival. The popularity of SPAM® products in the islands is unmatched, with the most recent data suggesting Hawaii residents buy nearly 7 million cans of SPAM® products per year.

Waikiki SPAM® JAM Festival attendees enjoy a selection of SPAM® recipes from participating local restaurants and see first-hand the many ways SPAM® products can be prepared. Expect to not only be well-fed but entertained, too, as festival goers will be serenaded by some of the island's best musical acts from two stages. Hawaiian arts and craft vendors will be showcasing their products, and SPAM® merchandise, such as T-shirts, shorts and slippers, will be available for purchase.

Admission to the family-friendly event is free and proceeds generated benefit the Hawaii Foodbank and other local charities, including the Waikiki Community Center and the Visitor Aloha Society. The 13th Annual SPAM® JAM Festival in 2015 raised over \$25,000 for the Hawaii Foodbank and collected over 2,200 pounds of canned food, enough to feed 62,000 meals in Hawaii. Since its inception, the Waikiki SPAM® JAM Festival has raised more than \$100,000 and collected nearly 27,000 pounds of canned goods to support the Hawaii Foodbank.

As part of the Waikiki SPAM JAM® Festival, Outrigger Resorts and OHANA Hotels in Waikiki offer guests checking in for the weekend a free one-category upgrade, based on availability, with the donation of a can of SPAM® product, which is then donated to the Hawaii Foodbank. For reservations, visit www.outrigger.com, or call 1-800-688-7444 and ask for the best available rate. This offer is subject to change and availability. Some restrictions apply.

There are several ways to stay on top of the latest details of this year's Waikiki SPAM® JAM Festival: visit SPAMjamhawaii.com or join the Waikiki SPAM® JAM social community on Twitter: [@SPAMjam](https://twitter.com/SPAMjam) or Instagram: [@waikikiSPAMjam](https://www.instagram.com/waikikiSPAMjam).

Waikīkī Community Center receives \$15,000 grant from the Hawai‘i Tourism Authority

The Waikīkī Community Center has received a \$15,000 grant from the Hawai‘i Tourism Authority County Product Enrichment Program in support of its 31st annual Duke Kahanamoku Challenge. The annual benefit is set to take place on Sunday, April 24, 2016, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., at Duke’s Beach and Lagoon at the Hilton Hawaiian Village Waikiki Beach Resort. It will feature an exhilarating day of outrigger canoe racing, stand up paddle board racing, and ancient Hawaiian makahiki land games including *huki kaula*, Hawaiian tug-of-war.

The County Product Enrichment Program funds community activities that provide exceptional experiences for local residents and visitors. The grant will aid the Duke Challenge in providing an entertaining, family-friendly event for the entire community. In addition to the Duke Kahanamoku Challenge, the event will feature keiki activities, a craft market and all-star entertainment.

All funds raised from this year’s event will allow the Waikīkī Community Center to continue to lend a helping hand to kupuna, keiki, visitors and people in need in the Waikīkī community. WCC reaches many, providing tuition assistance for pre-K aged children from low-income working families, food for over 1,000 families in need, and activities that help over 3,000 seniors maintain a healthy and active lifestyle.

For over 37 years, the Waikīkī Community Center has served as a resource for the community of Waikīkī, providing multigenerational services to better the lives of residents from keiki to kūpuna. With support from the community, WCC has been able to effectively reach and help over 20,000 individuals receive the services they need. For more information, call (808) 923-1802 ext. 109 or visit www.waikikicomunitycenter.org.

Outrigger Enterprises Group announces Denise Shigeta trusts and estates manager

Outrigger Enterprises Group is pleased to announce Denise Shigeta as trusts and estates manager. Shigeta's position was created to enhance the service provided to its Investor Services.

Prior to Outrigger, Shigeta worked as senior associate in the tax practice of the local PricewaterhouseCoopers office, and later as assistant vice president and tax consultant in the trust tax department at Bank of Hawaii.

She holds a bachelor's in English from Occidental College, and both a master's in accounting and juris doctor degree from the University of Hawai'i. Shigeta is a certified public accountant licensed in Hawai'i, and is a member of the Hawai'i State Bar.



Hawaiian Diacritical Marks

Waikīkī Improvement Association recognizes the use of diacritical marks (i.e., glottal stop (ʻ), macron (ā) in place names of Hawai‘i, such as Waikīkī and Kalākāua Avenue and will include them whenever possible. We also respect the individual use (or not) of these markings for names of organizations and businesses.

There will also be times when we may not have a chance to add or change the markings in all of the articles submitted and when that happens, e kala mai.

Hot news from The Royal Hawaiian

Easter Brunch, Only at The Royal

Executive Chef Colin Hazama and his team present a lavish Easter Brunch buffet on Sunday, March 27 in the Monarch Room. Included on the menu are pastries and delights from The Royal Bakeshop including mini banana bread muffins, pain au chocolat, island fruits, a variety of sushi and poke such as ahi, hamachi, shrimp, salmon; a raw bar that includes ahi poke, tako poke, prawns, Maine lobster and oysters. The brunch continues with “Pink Palace Pancakes” with balsamic Kula strawberry guava compote, salads such as mixed greens, vine-ripened tomatoes, potato salad, Shinsato Farms’ crispy roast pork belly, roasted prime rib, steamed crab legs, ginger sake-marinated local snapper, huli huli chicken, Chinese roast drunken duck, a “Build Your Own” eggs benedict station, as well as a delectable dessert station with a variety of goodies such as peach tartlets, tiramisu, warm bread budding and mini cupcakes. The cost is \$85 per adult and \$42 for children ages 12 and under. Prices do not include tax and gratuity. Reservations can be made by calling Dining Reservations at (808) 921-4600.



Enjoy Surf Lanai’s new lunch menu

Chef Hazama has introduced a revamped lunch menu for Surf Lanai, the oceanfront restaurant offering sweeping views of Diamond Head and Waikiki Beach. Diners now have a variety of choices of fresh, crisp selections such as lemon verbena chilled shrimp, Asian “poisson cru” with ahi and Kona kampachi, pizzas, the Royal Ali’i burger, Coconut Grove loco moco, citrus sake steamed onaga and a chef’s prix fixe menu. Reservations available at (808) 921-4600, or walk-ins welcomed.

A Royal Hawaiian Luau, ‘Aha ‘Aina

Waikiki’s only oceanfront dinner and show is a culinary and sensory celebration, commemorating Hawaiian culture and transforming the traditional island experience in grand Royal Hawaiian style. Held each Monday night at The Royal Hawaiian’s Ocean Lawn with the breathtaking backdrop of Waikiki Beach and Diamond Head, the ‘Aha ‘Aina is composed of three spectacular acts. The cuisine of Executive Chef Colin Hazama is also a highlight each Monday at ‘Aha ‘Aina. To make reservations, call the Starwood Dining Desk at (808) 921-4600.

UPCOMING EVENT

Fanta-Sea becomes reality

Reservations are going quickly for Executive Chef Colin Hazama’s second installment in Fanta-Sea – a series of six inspiring gastronomic experiences as part of the Royal Hawaiian’s *Only at the Royal Epicurean Journeys*. The second event will be held on Friday, April 22 with a dinner at Azure, followed by a tour of the United Fishing Agency at Pier 38 on Saturday, April 23. Following the tour, attendees will return to the hotel for an extraordinary lunch in the Kamehameha Suite, The Royal Hawaiian’s Presidential Suite.

Fanta-Sea is an offshoot of the “Chef’s Table to Farm Tour” culinary series pioneered by Chef Hazama in 2014 as a way to showcase island farmers and how Starwood Hotels in Waikiki work collaboratively with the farmers. Each dish on the Fanta-Sea menu shows Chef Hazama’s creativity and passion for using locally sourced products.

Prices for April’s Fanta-Sea program are as follows: \$150 for dinner (no wine); \$180 for dinner (with wine pairings); \$250 for the dinner and farm tour without wine; and \$280 for the dinner with wine pairings, as well as the farm tour. Prices include tax and gratuity. To make reservations, call the Starwood Waikiki Dining Desk at (808) 921-4600.

Happy 115, Moana Surfrider!

Celebrate the 115th anniversary of the Moana Surfrider, A Westin Resort & Spa on Friday, March 11 with an unforgettable interactive competition of Honolulu's top chefs and mixologists. The Ocean Vodka "LOL: Love Of Libations" takes place on Friday, March 11 at 6 p.m. on the Diamond Lawn featuring pairings the Beach Bar at the Moana Surfrider, RumFire from the Sheraton Waikiki, Scratch Kitchen & Bake Shop, The Pig and the Lady, Koko Head Café, MW Restaurant, MAC 24-7 and Square Barrels.

Part of the proceeds of this event will benefit the Life Foundation – Hawaii Chapter. The cost is \$75 per person. Tickets for this event are available at HonoluluBoxOffice.com.

On the Banyan Courtyard stage that same night at 6:30 p.m., slack key virtuoso Makana presents a modern-day tribute to Moana's musical past with a "Hawaii Calls" concert. The original "Hawaii Calls" was a long-running radio show that introduced Hawaiian music to the world. While entertainers played on the very same Banyan Courtyard stage, show emcee Webley Edwards' voice could be heard across the globe, "From the Banyan Court of the Moana Hotel overlooking beautiful Waikiki Beach, it's Hawaii Calls!"

Makana is widely regarded as one of the masters of slack key guitar in Hawaii, having been featured on three Grammy-nominated albums including the soundtrack for the Academy Award-winning film, "The Descendants." The cost of this event is \$115 per person (inclusive) and includes a pre-concert reception featuring some of the Beachhouse's finest offerings, two drinks and hosted parking. A portion of the proceeds from this event will benefit the Bishop Museum, Historic Hawaii Foundation and the Waikiki Aquarium. A limited number of individual tickets for this event are also available at HonoluluBoxOffice.com.



Cocktails, canvas 'n creativity

Sheraton Waikiki is offering guests a new way to visualize their experience at the hotel. Beginning on March 14, the hotel is partnering with "Wine and Canvas Hawaii" to offer guests the chance to create their own souvenirs and have a cocktail at the same time. "Wine & Canvas Hawaii" will provide each guest a gallery wrapped 16x20 canvas, as well as acrylic paints to create Hawaii-themed paintings that will remind guests of their visit to Sheraton Waikiki. "Wine & Canvas" will be held weekly each Monday at the Lily Pond beginning at 3 p.m. The cost is \$45 per guest in honor of the hotel's 45th anniversary this year. Additional food and beverage will be available for purchase at the event each Monday afternoon.

Sheraton Waikiki guests can book with the Sheraton Waikiki Activities Desk at (808) 931-8007.

The public can still participate by signing up on the Wine & Canvas Hawaii website.

Sheraton Princess Kaiulani to undergo \$5 million enhancement

As part of a nearly \$5 million enhancement plan, the Sheraton Princess Kaiulani is conducting a soft refresh of all 280 guestrooms on the top 10 floors of its Ainahau Tower. Upon completion, rooms will showcase all-new furniture, carpet, wallpaper, paint, signature Sheraton Sweet Sleeper mattress, artwork and decorative accents.

A prior property makeover included additional room renovations as well as updates to the Sheraton Fitness Center, Sheraton Link and lobby area. All rooms will feature flat screen TVs, bathroom fixtures, linens, smart thermostats and additional USB and power outlets. The work is scheduled to be completed in August 2016.



Enjoy free nights and more with Prince Resorts Hawaii

Take advantage of special promotions throughout the year

Retreat to paradise in 2016 with incredible promotions at Hawaii Prince Hotel Waikiki and Golf Club. Bring the whole family and enjoy exceptional values throughout your stay. With ocean views from nearly every room, make the most of your Hawaii vacation.

Details of the special packages are as follows:

Winter Escape Package – valid Now – March 31, 2016

Book now and enjoy a complimentary night! Plus, Prince Preferred Members will receive 5,000 bonus HawaiianMiles when booking this promotion with a five-night stay.

- **Hawaii Prince Hotel Waikiki**, receive your third night FREE when booking two consecutive nights.

Suite Sunrise – valid Now – June 30, 2016

At Hawaii Prince Hotel Waikiki and Golf Club, make your vacation extra “suite” with added values during your stay. Book any suite, and receive 20% off the best available rate, with daily continental breakfast for two delivered right to your room.

Kids Eat Free – valid March 1 – September 30, 2016

Make it a family affair and enjoy extra savings! Children 12 years and younger eat FREE when dining with a parent at any Hawaii Prince Hotel Waikiki and Golf Club restaurant: Prince Court, Hakone, and Bird of Paradise.

Kids Golf Free – valid March 1 – September 30, 2016

Perfect for golf enthusiasts of all ages! For families staying at the Hawaii Prince Hotel Waikiki and Golf Club, children ages 6 – 17 years old golf for FREE when accompanied by a parent.

Room & Breakfast – valid until December 22, 2016

Deals that last! From now through December 22, book your four-night stay at the Hawaii Prince Hotel Waikiki and Golf Club, and enjoy your fifth night for FREE. Daily breakfast buffet for two is also included.

Hilton Hawaiian Village hires new Assistant Director of Finance

[Hilton Hawaiian Village Waikiki Beach Resort](#) is excited to welcome Joyce Tang as the resort’s assistant director of finance. Tang has 20 years of experience in the travel and hospitality industry.

Prior to joining Hilton Hawaiian Village, Tang worked as an independent hospitality financial professional. She was an associate with the national advisory and asset management firm Apertor Hospitality, where she analyzed hotel operating performances and current market trends. Tang has also held several positions with Hilton including: assistant director of finance for Hilton New Orleans Riverside, Hilton New Orleans Airport, and La Quinta Resort & Club properties, and director of operations analysis at Hilton Corporate Headquarters.

As assistant director of finance at Hilton Hawaiian Village, Tang is responsible for overseeing the operation of the finance department with regard to supervising guest accounting staff, preparing monthly forecasts and overseeing the preparation of variance reports.

“We are so excited to welcome Joyce to the Hilton Hawaiian Village team,” said Tracy Walker, general manager of Hilton Hawaiian Village. “With her varied background in hospitality and finance, we are certain she will be a great asset to our hotel and we are thankful to have her onboard.”

Embassy Suites by Hilton - Waikiki Beach Walk welcomes Jamie Choi as Director of Sales and Marketing

Embassy Suites by Hilton-Waikiki Beach Walk announced today that Jeong Eun "Jamie" Choi has been named the resort's director of sales and marketing. In her new role, Jamie will spearhead all sales and marketing efforts for Embassy's flagship leisure resort, located on the island of Oahu.

"Jamie brings more than 13 years of experience in the hospitality industry, as well as a deep understanding of building business and developing new venues of growth," said Bob Yeoman, general manager, Embassy Suites by Hilton-Waikiki Beach Walk. "She is an ideal addition to our team and we are excited to have her lead our sales and marketing efforts."



Choi joins the team at Embassy Suites by Hilton-Waikiki Beach Walk with extensive Hawaii market experience after previously serving as the director of sales for DoubleTree by Hilton Alana Waikiki Beach and, prior to that, as the regional sales manager at the Hilton Hawaiian Village. In her previous position, Choi focused on increasing business from Korea for Hilton Hawaiian Village, Hilton Waikoloa Village, Doubletree by Hilton Alana Waikiki and Grand Wailea, A Waldorf Astoria Resort. She was recognized by Hilton Worldwide as a Circle of Excellence winner in 2012 and 2013 for her revenue contributions. Prior to Hilton, Choi held various front office, sales and catering positions at Grand Hyatt Seoul, The Ritz Carlton, Seoul and Renaissance Seoul Hotel.

Choi is a graduate of Kyunghee University in Seoul, Korea and holds a bachelor's degree in hotel management.

Jamie Lee promoted at PacRim Marketing Group

PacRim Marketing Group has promoted Jamie Lee to Sales and Marketing Coordinator.

In her new position, she will assist with developing customized sales and marketing plans for clients, integrating Asian language print and digital media aimed at increasing share and spend of the Asian International Traveler market.

Lee worked at PacRim Marketing Group as a college intern in 2011, doing research and analysis, translating English into Korean, and providing customer service to marketing clients. She joined PacRim Marketing Group as an Advertising Assistant in June 2014 and was promoted to Advertising Coordinator in February 2015. Prior to joining PacRim, Lee worked in retail and in the travel industry with brands such as Disney and H.I.S. Hawaii.



In addition to speaking fluent Korean, Lee is proficient at speaking, reading, and writing Japanese. She holds a Bachelor of Business Administration in marketing and international business from the University of Hawaii at Manoa, and was an international exchange student during her junior year at Sophia University.

"Jamie's skill set is rare, giving her an ability to understand cultural nuances and trends important to helping brands expand their reach and communicate effectively in Asia," said Dave Erdman, president and chief executive officer of PacRim Marketing Group and PRTech. "Jamie's enthusiasm and knowledge of marketing disciplines has led to client satisfaction."

Brody Jenner & Devin Lucien Return to SKY Waikiki

Friday March 4, 2016

Experience the intoxicating music of celebrity DJs Brody Jenner + Devin Lucien as they make their return to SKY Waikiki on Friday March.

The red carpet begins at 9 pm, only at SKY Waikiki, where the Sky-is-the-limit for music, cocktails, dancing and the hottest scene of the Pacific.

For additional information and table reservations visit SKYWaikiki.com or call (808)979-7591



Waikīkī Hula Show at the Kūhiō Beach Hula Mound

Kūhiō Beach Hula Show – March 2016

Show time is 6:30 pm

Authentic Hawaiian music and hula shows by Hawai'i's finest *hālau hula* (dance troupes) and Hawaiian performers.

Opens with torch lighting and traditional blowing of conch shell. Tues-Thurs-Sat-Sun, weather-permitting. 6:30-7:30 p.m. (6:00-7:00 p.m. Nov-Dec-Jan) at the Kūhiō Beach Hula Mound, diagonally across from Hyatt Regency Waikiki Beach hotel at Uluniu & Kalākaua Ave.

Outdoors, casual, seating on the grass; beach chairs, mats, etc. okay. Cameras welcome. Presented by Hyatt Regency Waikiki Beach, Hawai'i Tourism Authority, City & County of Honolulu and Waikīkī Improvement Association.

For information, call 843-8002.

Week-nights

Tuesdays – Ainsley Halemanu and Hula Halau Ka Liko O Ka Palai

Thursdays – Joan "Aunty Pudgie" Young and Puamelia

Week-ends

Sat March 5 – NO SHOW due to Food Truck Festival

Sat March 12 – Shirley Recca and Halau Hula O Namakahulali

Sat March 19 – Leimomi Ho and Keali'ika`apunihonua Ke`ena A`o Hula

Sat March 26 – Joan S. Lindsey and the Joan S. Lindsey Hula Studio



Street activity in / near Waikīkī (courtesy of the City)

March 5, 2016 Saturday

4:00PM Starts
10:00PM Ends

WAIKIKI LUCKY TO BE IN HAWAII FESTIVAL sponsored by Millwood Ohana Productions. The event is expected to have 25,000+ participants. The event will close Kalakaua Avenue., all lanes and sidewalk areas from Kaiulani Ave. to Kapahulu Ave.. Lane closures start at 1:00pm for set up. Contact: David Millwood 531-5050

This permit application has been approved

March 6, 2016 Sunday

7:00AM Starts
9:00AM Ends

HAWAII PACIFIC HEALTH WOMEN'S 10K RUN sponsored by Hawaii Pacific Health. The event is expected to have 1,800 runners. The event will start at Kapiolani Park Band Stand at Kalakaua Ave., to Diamond Head Rd., to Kahala Ave., to Paikau St., to Diamond Head Rd., to 22nd Ave., to Kilauea Ave., to Elepaio St., to Kahala Ave., to Diamond Head Rd., to Kalakaua Ave., to end at the Honolulu Marathon finish line. Contact: KC Carlberg 946-0346, E-mail: TryFitness@hawaii.rr.com

This permit application has been approved.

March 13, 2016 Sunday

9:00AM Starts
1:00PM Ends

HONOLULU RAINBOW EKIDEN RACE sponsored by JTB Hawaii/Honolulu Festival Organizing Committee. The event is expected to have 500 runners in relay teams. The event will start at end of Carriage Road Kapiolani Park, to Kalakaua Ave., kkhhd on Kalakaua Ave., to Diamond Hd Rd., to turnaround at 2nd lookout and return same route to Kapiolani Park. Makai half of Diamond Head from Dillingham Fountain to 2nd lookout will be closed from approx 8 am to 2 pm. Contact: Glenn Kosuge 921-1795, Fax: 926-9247, E-mail: gkosuge@honfest.com For more info, visit their website: <http://www.honolulufestival.com/>

This permit application has been submitted.

March 13, 2016 Sunday

4:30PM Starts
7:30PM Ends

HONOLULU FESTIVALS PARADE sponsored by JTB Hawaii/Honolulu Festival Organizing Committee. The event is expected to have 1,000 marchers, 20 vehicles & 3 bands. It will start at Kalakaua Ave. at Saratoga Rd., kkhhd on Kalakaua Ave., to Monsarrat Ave., to end at Waikiki Shell Parking Lot, Queen Kapiolani Park. Contact: Glenn Kosuge 921-1795, Fax: 926-9247, E-mail: gkosuge@honfest.com For more info, visit their website: <http://www.honolulufestival.com/>

This permit application has been submitted.

March 17, 2016 Thursday

12noon Starts
2:00PM Ends

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE sponsored by Friendly Sons of Saint Patrick of Hawaii. The event is expected to have 800 marchers, 50 vehicles, 2 floats & 5 bands. It will start at Saratoga Rd./Kalakaua Ave., to Kalakaua Ave., to Monsarrat Ave., to end at Queen Kapiolani Park. Contact: Nelson Lampert 679-1035 Email: kerlampert@aol.com For more info, visit their website: <http://www.irishclubhawaii.com/>

This permit application has been approved.

Street activity in / near Waikīkī (courtesy of the City)

March 26, 2016 Saturday

10:00AM Starts
12:30PM Ends

PRINCE KUHIO COMMEMORATION PARADE sponsored by Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs. The event is expected to have 800 marchers, 35 vehicles, 2 floats, & 2 bands. It will start at Kalakaua Ave. at Saratoga Rd., kkhhd on Kalakaua Ave., to end at Waikiki Shell parking lot, Queen Kapiolani Park.

Contact: Lu Ann Faborito 668-9006,
E-mail: kaluhiokalanik@aol.com

This permit application has been submitted.

March 30, 2016 Wednesday

6:30PM Starts
8:30PM End

SALUTE TO YOUTH PARADE sponsored by Coastline Travel. The event will have 1,200 marchers, 15 vehicles, 5 floats, 10 bands. It will start at Ft. DeRussy, to Kalakaua Ave., kkhhd on Kalakaua Ave., to Monsarrat Ave to end at Queen Kapiolani Park. Streets will be closing at 6:00pm.

Contact: Jay Johnson of Coastline Travel 1-714-621-1040 or Carla

Crittenden 1-800-448-2374. E-mail: carla@coastlinetravel.com

For more info, visit their website: <http://www.hawaiiinvitational.com/>

This permit application has been submitted.

Waikīkī Wiki Wiki Wire - Newsletter deadline and submission format

The WIA newsletter is published 1x per month—on the first Friday.

Waikīkī-related news and information submitted by members for the Waikīkī Wiki Wiki Wire should be received no later than **4pm Wednesday** before the Friday distribution. Information received after the deadline will be considered for inclusion in the following issue.

Photos which accompany stories are always welcome and, for best results, should be attached to the email as a **separate jpeg - maximum 1 MB each image** please.

Single page PDFs are also welcome but they should look like flyers and not press releases (without media contact information, dateline, city, etc.).

NOTE: WIA reserves the right to edit or combine member news submitted for the newsletter.

Your kokua is appreciated. **Mahalo.**



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HONOLULU FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS

Cultural Performances, Arts, and Exhibits

Saturday, March 12, 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 13, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Guests will enjoy *FREE* cultural music and dance performances at three convenient locations: Hawaii Convention Center, Waikiki Beach Walk, and Ala Moana Center. The Hawaii Convention Center will feature a wide array of cultural activities, arts, crafts, exhibits, and food booths appealing to all ages, including:

Ø **Ennichi, Carnival Corner:** This section will offer fun, hands-on activities inspired by the traditional Japanese Saint's Day Festival. With an introduction to customary Japanese games, crafts, and traditions these activities are perfect for the young and the young at heart. Make a donation and you will receive gold game scripts

Ø **Craft Fair and Exhibitions:** Enjoy the offerings from more than for a chance to win great prizes! 100 crafts and exhibit booths from Hawaii, Japan, and other parts of the Pacific.

Bon Dance

Saturday, March 12, 1:10 p.m. – 1:45 p.m. / 3:30 – 4:05 p.m.

Sunday, March 13, 1:50 p.m. – 2:25 p.m.

Participate in the first bon dance of the year! Musicians and singers will lead the bon dance at the Hawaii Convention Center.

Symposium: "Japanese in Hawaii: From the plantation to Pearl Harbor to peace"

Saturday, March 12, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m., Room #301

Join us for a discussion on the history of Japanese in Hawaii and their contributions to building peace, reconciliation and understanding. The program, presented by the Honolulu Festival Foundation in cooperation with the Japan Cultrual Center of Hawaii and Japan-America Society of Hawaii, will feaure a keynote address by distinguished professor Dr. Dennis M. Ogawa from the University of Hawaii, and commentary from a panel of recognized leaders in Hawaii.

Movie Presentations

Honolulu Festival is presenting *FREE* screenings of eight highly acclaimed Japanese films at the Hawaii Convention Center. Presented by the Consulate General of Japan in Honolulu.

Ø **Ramen Samurai – Saturday, March 12 at 10:00 a.m.; Sunday, March 8 at 10:00 a.m., Room #311**

Hikaru is working as a designer at a mid-level Tokyo ad agency. But when Hikaru's father suddenly dies, He is forced to return to his hometown of Kurume on Kyushu Island and take over the family's Yatai style noodle bar. After battling with town planners who want to modernize the area and demolish the Yatai area, Hikaru develops his own signature ramen dish and almost single-handedly revives the Yatai of Kurume.

Ø **The God of Ramen~ – Saturday, March 12 at 12:15 p.m.; Room #311**

Behind the historic ramen shop, "Taishoken," is Yamagishi. For many customers the main attraction to the wildly popular Taishoken is its boss. However, *The God of Ramen* reveals truths that Yamagishi had kept hidden for years – he suffered from a series of debilitating medical issues that slowly ended his ability to work. Despite his condition and the death of his wife, Yamagishi continues to go into the shop and make ramen.

Ø *Jiro Dreams of Sushi*~ – Saturday, March 12 at 2:00 p.m.; Room #311

Jiro Dreams of Sushi is the story of 85-year-old Jiro Ono, considered by many to be the world's greatest sushi chef. He is the proprietor of Sukiyabashi Jiro, a 10-seat, sushi-only restaurant located in a Tokyo subway station. Despite its humble appearances, it is the first restaurant of its kind to be awarded the prestigious three-star Michelin Guide rating.

Ø *A Tale of Samurai Cooking*~ – Saturday, March 12 at 3:45 p.m.; Room #311

Great cook Haru has married into the legendary "Kitchen Samurai" family. But her husband who is the successor of the family can't cook at all. Haru vows to make him a superb samurai chef and starts teaching her new husband how to cook.

Ø *Chigasaki Story*~ – Sunday, March 13 at 9:45 a.m.; Room #311

A group of archaeology students, led by their professor stay for the weekend at Chigasaki Inn, a famous guesthouse now run by the owner's daughter, who recently returned from her wedding in Hawaii.

Chigasaki. Story flutters back and forth between the various characters and their feelings up until the wedding starts.

Ø *Mourning Recipe*~ – Sunday, March 13 at 11:45 a.m.; Room #311

Heartbroken Yuriko returns to her parent's house after deciding to divorce her husband. While at her parent's house, she finds a recipe book for life left by her late mother who recently passed away. With the help of two young strangers and the recipe book, Yuriko begins to rebuild her life.

Ø *The Garden of Words*~ – Sunday, March 13 at 2:10 p.m.; Room #311

When Takao, a high school student who dreams of becoming a shoemaker, skips school one day he has no idea how much his life will change when he encounters the mysterious Yukino. The two strike up an unusual relationship through chance meetings in the garden on rainy days. But as the rainy season comes to a close, many things are left unshared between them.

Ø *War Memorial Program Nagaoka Fireworks in Pearl Harbor*~ – Sunday, March 13 at 2:10 p.m.; Room #311

During the outbreak of the war, the Nagaoka Fireworks were at Pearl Harbor. A documentary of how the Peace and Memorial themes of the fireworks were received among the local people in Hawaii and, also, the perceptions of the visiting intermediate schools students from Nagaoka.

Waikiki Grand Parade

Sunday, March 13, 4:30 p.m.

The Waikiki Grand Parade will feature entertainment from nearly 70 festival groups and performers from throughout the Pacific and Hawaii as they sing, dance, and stage cultural demonstrations on Kalakaua Avenue. The highly entertaining parade will also feature marching bands and floats, highlighted by the fire-breathing dragon *Daijayama*.

Nagaoka Fireworks Show

Sunday, March 13, 8:30 p.m.

The Honolulu Festival will conclude with the spectacular Nagaoka Fireworks Show, creating a brilliant cavalcade of colors and lights over the skies of Waikiki. The fireworks will be shot from barges positioned at the midpoint of Waikiki Beach between the Royal Hawaiian Hotel and Sheraton Waikiki. The firework show will also be choreographed to a live musical broadcast by Hawaiian 105.1 KINE (105.1 FM).

HONOLULU FESTIVAL SPECIAL EVENTS

Educational School Tours

Friday, March 11, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. (by invitation only), Hawaii Convention Center

Hawaii elementary to high school students will take part in a "Cultural Field Trip," getting the opportunity to interact with visiting performers and artisans. Students will get an exclusive behind-the-scenes look at many of the Festival exhibits and activities, including taiko drumming, calligraphy, and storytelling.

Friendship Gala

Friday, March 11, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m., Hawaii Convention Center

The Friendship Gala will feature exciting cultural entertainment by Raiatea Helm, Kupaoa, and visiting cultural performers, along with delicious cuisine from Oahu's premier restaurants. Funds raised by the Friendship Gala supports the Honolulu Festival Foundation's educational and cultural programs in Hawaii. Tickets: \$90/person (\$70/person under 21; free for age 6 and under). Available at www.honolulufestival.com.

HONOLULU FESTIVAL CO-SPONSORED EVENTS

Aloha DANCE Convention

Saturday, March 12, 6:15 – 8:30 p.m., Hawaii Convention Center

Don't miss Hawaii's biggest dance competition showdown! The **Aloha DANCE CONVENTION** showcases up to 20 talented dance teams from around the world. The opening act will feature performances by professional dancers and unique routines from Japan. Admission is free to the public.

Honolulu Rainbow EKIDEN

Sunday, March 13, 9:00 a.m.

Honolulu Rainbow **EKIDEN** relay race will feature teams of 3-5 runners taking turns running along a scenic five kilometer route in Kapiolani Park and Diamond Head until five legs of the relay are complete. **EKIDEN** long distance relay racing has been a tradition of Japan for more than 90 years. The Honolulu Rainbow **EKIDEN** is sponsored by JTB and co-sponsored by the Honolulu Festival Foundation.

Following the Honolulu Rainbow **EKIDEN**, the **WaikiKitchen ~Taste of Local~** will be hosted in Kapiolani Park from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. The food festival features a wide variety of local favorites including plate lunch vendors, local style food trucks, and treats from some of Hawaii's gourmet restaurants.



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Waikiki Beach Walk

Saturday, March 12, 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 13, 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

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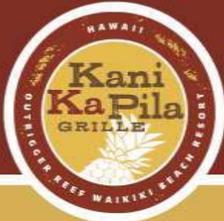


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Entertainment

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		01 Weldon Kekauoha 6 - 9p	02 Del Beazley 3 - 5p Cyril Pahinui 6 - 9p	03 Jeff Rasmussen & Robi Kahakalau 3-5p Kawika Kahiapo 6-9p	04 Christian Yrizzary 3 - 5p Ho'okena 6 - 9p	05 Bryan Tolentino 3 - 5p Ka Hehena 6 - 9p
06 Brother Noland 6 - 9p	07 Sean Naauao 6 - 9p	08 Weldon Kekauoha 6 - 9p	09 Ben & Maila 3 - 5p Cyril Pahinui 6 - 9p	10 Jeff Rasmussen & Robi Kahakalau 3-5p Kawika Kahiapo 6-9p	11 Christian Yrizzary 3-5p Makena 6 - 9p	12 Donald Kaulia & Walt Keale 3 - 5p Ka Hehena 6 - 9p
13 Kamakakeahu Fernandez 3 - 5p Nathan Aweau 6 - 9p	14 Bryan Tolentino 3-5p Kuuipo Kumukahi 6 - 9p	15 Del Beazley 3- 5p Weldon Kekauoha 6 - 9p	16 Ben & Maila 3 - 5p Cyril Pahinui 6 - 9p	17 Jeff Rasmussen & Robi Kahakalau 3-5p Kawika Kahiapo 6-9p	18 Christian Yrizzary 3 - 5p Ho'okena 6 - 9p	19 Donald Kaulia & Walt Keale 3 - 5p Ka Hehena 6 - 9p
20 Nathan Aweau 6 - 9p	21 Sean Naauao 6 - 9p	22 Weldon Kekauoha 6 - 9p	23 Ben & Maila 3 - 5p Cyril Pahinui 6 - 9p	24 Jeff Rasmussen & Robi Kahakalau 3-5p Kawika Kahiapo 6-9p	25 Christian Yrizzary 3 - 5p Ho'okena 6 - 9p	26 Bryan Tolentino 3 - 5p Ka Hehena 6 - 9p
27 Nathan Aweau 6 - 9p	28 Sean Naauao 6 - 9p	29 Weldon Kekauoha 6 - 9p	30 Ben & Maila 3 - 5p Cyril Pahinui 6 - 9p	31 Jeff Rasmussen & Robi Kahakalau 3-5p Kawika Kahiapo 6-9p		

*Artist and times may change without notice.

Nightly entertainment 8:00 pm - 9:00 pm. Located poolside at the Outrigger Reef Waikiki Beach Resort, 2169 Kalia Road, Honolulu, Hawaii 96815 Phone: 808.924.4990
No cover, no minimum. All-day dining menu. Discount valet parking \$6 for four hours.





7:00 AM

**Meet at Duke's Statue
Kūhio Beach Park**

(Transportation will be provided to other clean up areas.)

Validated Self Parking @ the Hyatt Regency for Beach Clean Up participants.

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9:00 AM Pau

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April 23, 2016 Saturday

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Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor Announces 2016 Events, Commemorating The 75th Anniversary of the Pearl Harbor Attack, and the Museum's 10th Anniversary

December 7, 2016 will mark 75 years since America was launched into World War II, with the attack on Pearl Harbor. It will also mark 10 years since Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor opened its doors on Historic Ford Island at Pearl Harbor, vowing to honor America's greatest aviators by sharing aviation history of the Pacific and the stories of the heroes of WWII.

The following is a listing of events (confirmed to date) taking place this year:

July

July 5–8, 2016 - Explorers Club: Eyes on the Sky. Four-day STEM program for students in grades 3-5 with the theme of aerospace. Participants will operate robotic telescopes to view objects in the universe, engineer a mechanism for "soft landings" on another planet, create unique artwork through astrophotography, and more. Price is \$240 per student (\$216 Museum Members) and includes all program fees, lunches, snack and a program T-shirt.

July 12–14, 2016 - Flight School for Boys, 9 am - 4 pm. A three-day adventure in the history and technology of aviation for 6th–8th graders. Immersive, hands on activities with an emphasis on Pacific aviation and fun. \$175 (\$155 Museum Members) for the three-day program includes all materials, lunches, snacks, and a Flight School logo tee shirt. Call (808) 441-1005 or email Education@PacificAviationMuseum.org for more information.

July 19 - 21, 2016 - Aviation Adventure. This co-ed residential camp immerses teens in the rich history of Ford Island and Pearl Harbor, as well as science, technology, engineering and math concepts of aviation. Hands on, practical experiences bring these concepts to life in the Museum's historic hangars and aboard the Battleship Missouri Memorial. This is a co-ed camp for ages 13-15, who have completed Flight School. Overnight accommodations provided onboard the Missouri. \$300 for the three-day/two-night program includes all materials, meals, snacks, overnight accommodations, and an Aviation Adventure logo tee shirt. Discounts available for Museum members. **Aviation Adventure repeats: July 26-28.** Call (808) 441-1005 or email Education@PacificAviationMuseum.org for more information.

September

September 24, 2016 - Living History Day. In partnership with the Smithsonian Magazine *Museum Day Live!*, visitors presenting a *Museum Day Live!* ticket will receive free admission to Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor. Event will feature student-created exhibits, special presentations, and WWII-themed activities. Download free tickets: <http://www.smithsonianmag.com/museumday/>.

This is an annual national celebration of culture and learning between the two museums. Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor is a Smithsonian Affiliate and ranked one of the nation's top 10 aviation attractions in the nation by TripAdvisor®.

October

October 22, 2016 - Discover Your Future in Aviation, 10am–4pm. Young people interested in aviation as a career or hobby will want to attend. This is the seventh year for the special aviation day, which promises to be filled with hands-on workshops, a career fair, flight lab, and interactive science exhibits. Participants can enter to win aviation prizes and take photos with historical aviation re-enactors. Free with Museum admission and free to Museum Members.

December

December 3, 2016 - 10th Anniversary Commemorative Dinner Gala, 6 - 10 pm. The Museum will celebrate its 10th anniversary. The annual fundraiser helps support the Museum's Restoration and Education programs and will include cocktails, dinner, entertainment, and auction. Guests will get a first look at newly restored aircraft fresh out of Lt. Ted Shealy's Restoration Shop. Information, sponsor tables and tickets, contact 808-441-1006 or Carol@PacificAviationMuseum.org, and online at PacificAviationMuseum.org.

December 4, 2016 - World Premier "Remember Pearl Harbor" Documentary, 3 pm, Hangar 79. In association with the commemoration of the 75th anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor, WWII Foundation's "Remember Pearl Harbor" will preview for the first time. This one-hour documentary produced and directed by Tim Gray, features interviews with six Pearl Harbor survivors, including Mitsuo Fuchida, the Japanese pilot who led the attack on Pearl Harbor. Narrated by actor Tom Selleck. Attendees can meet USS *Arizona* survivors and Iwo Jima Medal of Honor recipient Woody Williams, who are expected to attend the screening. Information contact: Elissa.Lines@PacificAviationMuseum.org, 808-445-9069.

December 6, 2016 - Honoring the 75th Anniversary of the Attack on Pearl Harbor. Blackened Canteen Ceremony hosted by Dr. Hiroya Sugano M.D. aboard the USS *Arizona*, 7:00am. Dr. Hiroya Sugano, Director General of the Zero Fighter Admirers' Club, comes from Japan to conduct this annual commemoration of peace and reconciliation ceremony with a silent prayer and pouring bourbon whisky from a WWII-blackened canteen into the water from the USS *Arizona* Memorial as an offering to the spirits of the fallen. The public and press are invited on a first come, first served basis by calling Museum Event Coordinator Gary Meyers at 808-282-6570, for reservations.

December 7, 2016 - Pearl Harbor Memorial Parade. Our gaily lit and decorated F-104 Starfighter joins the other bands and floats, to parade down Kalakaua Avenue in Waikiki, to honor and pay respect to the Pearl Harbor survivors, our veterans, active duty military and their families. The parade takes place on the anniversary of the Pearl Harbor attack. Parade starts at 7pm at Ft. DeRussy in Waikiki and proceeds down Kalakaua Avenue, to Kapiolani Park.

December 25 - Happy Holidays. Museum closed for the holiday.

Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor is located on Historic Ford Island, where bombs fell during the attack on Pearl Harbor, December 7, 1941. Visitors to the Museum can see remnants from that day of infamy, including the 158-foot tall, red and white iconic Ford Island Field Control Tower, Hangars 37 and 79, and bullet holes in Hangar 79. Through its preservation and restoration of World War II fighter planes and accompanying artifacts in the Museum's historic hangars, Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor shares the story of the vital role aviation played in America's winning of World War II, and its continuing role in maintaining America's freedom.

Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor is a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization. Its mission is to develop and maintain an internationally recognized aviation museum on Historic Ford Island that educates young and old alike, honors aviators and their support personnel who defended freedom in The Pacific Region, and to preserve Pacific aviation history. Contact: 808-441-1000; Marketing@PacificAviationMuseum.org.

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Outrigger Hotels and Resorts helps travelers plan an 'event-full' 2016 with a full year of sponsored events and activities



WAIKIKI, HONOLULU, HAWAII – Outrigger Hotels and Resorts has planned an 'event-full' calendar of events and activities for travelers looking for more than just sun, sand and surf when visiting Hawaii in 2016.

Outrigger celebrates Hawaiian music and culture year-round with E Mele Ana, an expansive music program that includes a long list of sponsored Hawaiian music events and festivals. Outrigger also gives guests the opportunity to dive in and experience the active side of Hawaii with its support of a multitude of sporting events and athletic races.

Whatever the interest, Outrigger Hotels and Resorts offers an array of opportunities throughout the year for guests to find experiences that will create memories to last a lifetime.

Stay abreast of all that is happening at outrigger.com/events, outrigger.com/actionsports and outrigger.com/music. Highlights from the 2016 events and activities calendar from March through May include:

Kani Ka Pila Grille, live Hawaiian music nightly, 3-5 p.m. and 6-9 p.m.

[Kani Ka Pila Grille](#) at the Outrigger Reef Waikiki Beach Resort is Honolulu's hot spot for live Hawaiian music. Open for breakfast, lunch and dinner, the restaurant turns into Hawaii's top Hawaiian hot spot to experience true island music every night of the week. Hawaii's most legendary musicians -- new local talent and island artists of international renown -- fill the weekly schedule of afternoon and evening performances. Legendary Cyril Pahinui, Kawika Kahiapo, Weldon Kekauoha, Sean Naauao, Hookena, up-and-coming hit-makers, and many special guests perform regularly.

Duke's Waikiki, live Hawaiian music nightly, 4-6 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. - midnight

[Duke's Waikiki](#) at Outrigger Waikiki Beach Resort presents a lively line-up of entertainment. Sip a local brew and savor Waikiki's spectacular sunsets, or celebrate late night revelry at the Barefoot Bar. Some of Hawaii's favorite contemporary artists take the beachfront stage with world-famous Diamond Head as a backdrop: Maunualua, Kapena and Kaala Boys just to name a few; and each Sunday afternoon it's Duke's on Sundays with Henry Kapono from 4 - 6 p.m.

Blue Note Hawaii, two shows a night, 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m.

The world's finest music club and restaurant has opened in Honolulu, Hawaii, at the popular Outrigger Waikiki Beach Resort. Blue Note Hawaii features a wide range of world-renowned artists nightly -- from jazz and blues to Hawaiian favorites -- for limited engagements. For information on upcoming performances and to book tickets, visit bluenotehawaii.com.

Na Mele No Na Pua Sunday Showcase, twice monthly throughout 2016

Waikiki Beach Walk®, Hawaii's most exciting entertainment complex to shop, dine, play and stay, has brought back its popular twice-a-month Na Mele No Na Pua concert series. The free concerts treat music lovers to live music performances two Sundays of the month from 5 to 6 p.m. at the Waikiki Beach Walk® Plaza Stage. Visit www.waikikibeachwalk.com for the most current concert schedule.

University of Hawaii Athletics, throughout 2016

Outrigger Hotels and Resorts is a longtime supporter and Diamond Corporate Partner of University of Hawaii Athletics cheering on Hawaii's collegiate athletes year-round in football, basketball, baseball, men's and women's volleyball, women's soccer and new this year, women's beach volleyball. For a full list of home games and tournaments, visit outrigger.com/outrigger-sports/university-of-hawaii-athletics.

Honolulu Festival, March 12-13

The annual [Honolulu Festival](#) celebrates cultures from across the Pacific. This three-day celebration of art, music, dance, crafts and more draws thousands of new and returning spectators who are looking for a unique cultural experience, with Waikiki Beach Walk® home to one of the festival's musical stages. The Festival culminates with a spectacular parade down Kalakaua Avenue in Waikiki.

O Ke Kai Series at the Outrigger Reef Waikiki Beach Resort, March 19, June 18, Sep. 17, Nov. 12

The public is invited to celebrate Native Hawaiian ocean voyaging at the Outrigger Reef Waikiki Beach Resort's quarterly O Ke Kai series, "Navigating the Way." The morning event features displays, talk story sessions and more with the Friends of Hokulea & Hawaiiloa to ensure that traditional Hawaiian canoe building and restoration skills are passed on to future generations.

Hapalua, Hawaii's Half Marathon, April 10

Hapalua is perfect for runners working their way up to a 26-mile marathon challenge. This 13.1-mile scenic course winds through Waikiki, downtown Honolulu and back, finishing with a loop around stunning Diamond Head toward Kapiolani Park, the traditional finish line for the Honolulu Marathon. A cause-based event, participants are encouraged to sign up to run or walk for a favorite cause. Outrigger invites participants to join #teamOutrigger in support of the Polynesian Voyaging Society and their mission to raise awareness for protecting our oceans and Island Earth. Join the team at crowdrise.com/teamoutriggerforpolynesianvoyagingsociety.

Outrigger Resorts Invitational, Apr. 22-23

This premiere collegiate sand volleyball event takes place directly on the sands of Waikiki at Queen's Beach. Teams from the top 10 programs in the country showcase the best and most exciting sand volleyball action in collegiate sports. Free to all spectators, the [Outrigger Resorts Invitational](#) is nationally televised on CBS Sports Network.

Waikiki SPAM® JAM, Apr. 30

The annual [Waikiki SPAM® JAM](#) is rated as one of the top annual food festivals in Hawaii, featuring fabulous food and entertainment in a family-friendly atmosphere. Local residents and visitors alike head to Kalakaua Avenue to sample SPAM® dishes served by some of Honolulu's finest restaurants along with arts and craft booths and two music stages offering top island entertainers. Admission to the family-friendly event is free and proceeds generated benefit the Hawaii Foodbank and other local charities, including the Waikiki Community Center and the Visitor Aloha Society.

Mele Mei and the Na Hoku Hanohano Awards, May 2016

Mele Mei is a month-long celebration of Hawaii's music, hula and culture that culminates at the end of the month with the Na Hoku Hanohano Awards, often referred to as the "GRAMMY" awards of Hawaiian music. From ukulele to steel guitar, traditional Hawaiian music to slack key, island reggae to rock -- and everything in between -- Mele Mei has something for everyone. Throughout the month of May, expanded Hawaiian music events and performances can be enjoyed at several Outrigger Hotels and Resorts locations, including Kani Ka Pila Grille at the Outrigger Reef Waikiki Beach Resort, Duke's Waikiki at the Outrigger Waikiki Beach Resort, and at Waikiki Beach Walk®. The Ala Moana Hotel, an Outrigger affiliated property, is also the "official hotel sponsor" of the 39th Annual Na Hoku Hanohano Awards and is the venue for the prestigious annual Hawaii Academy of Recording Arts Lifetime Achievement Awards scheduled for Apr. 30, 2016.

Mele Mei Sundays at Kani Ka Pila Grille, May 1, 8, 15, 22 and 27

In celebration of Mele Mei, Kani Ka Pila Grille at the Outrigger Reef Waikiki Beach Resort will expand its musical offering during the month of May to include not one but two Hawaiian groups each Sunday evening. Live performances will begin an hour earlier at 5 p.m. with Na Hoku Hanohano nominees and winners performing until 9 p.m.

Honolulu Ekiden Race, May 22

Have you ever wanted to run a marathon but didn't have the stamina for a full 26.2-mile run? Then the [Honolulu Ekiden Race](#) is for you. This team event brings together 6-member teams to run the length of a marathon while enjoying beautiful ocean views along six different course sections. Starting at the base of Diamond Head at Kapiolani Park, the course travels eastward along the coast, where it winds past popular Hanauma Bay. The turnaround point is famous Sandy Beach. hnikiden.org

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