



# Waikiki Wiki-Wiki Wire



## Aloha Festivals to Celebrate Hawaii's Youth



Hawaii's culture, customs, traditions and aloha spirit will be showcased and celebrated in one of Hawaii's most-prominent events, the Aloha Festivals. This six-week, six island annual celebration returns once again bigger and better than ever.

The mission of the Aloha Festivals is to preserve and perpetuate Hawaiian culture and to celebrate the diverse customs, traditions and aloha spirit of Hawai'i. This year's Festival theme is "**No Na Kamali'i**" (For the Children). The theme honors our youth and their importance as guardians of cultural traditions. Because today's children will be tomorrow's leaders, it is extremely important that we nurture them and teach them the importance of protecting our cultural and environmental resources for future generations to understand and enjoy.



Aloha Festival events will be held throughout Oahu and on the Neighbor Islands. Aloha Festival Waikiki events include:

### Thursday, September 9 & Friday, September 10

- **Floral Float Building 'Ohana** - 6:00PM - 12:00 midnight, Hilton Hawaiian Village



Join the Hilton employees as they decorate and shape their float masterpiece. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call 949-4321, ext. 77881.

### Friday, September 10

- **Aloha Festivals Royal Court Investiture** - 10:00 AM., Village Green of the Hilton Hawaiian Village



The monarchy days of Hawai'i will reign supreme in 2004 as the Aloha Festivals king, queen, prince and princess assume their place on the royal court. Symbols of reign including the royal cloak, helmet, head feather lei and other objects will be bestowed to the ali'i. The event will include Hawaiian chant and hula kahiko. Free to the public.

- **Aloha Festivals Opening Ceremony** - 5:30 PM, 'Iolani Palace This ceremony marks the official beginning of the 2004 Aloha Festivals. Traditional chant and hula will kick off the celebration. The O'ahu Royal Court gathers on the

steps of the only royal palace in the U.S.

- **Aloha Festivals Downtown Ho'olaule'a** - 6:30 to 10:00PM, Bishop Street

In the heart of Honolulu's business district, the city's famed Bishop Street will close as Hawai'i residents and visitors dance in the streets to the tunes of contemporary Hawaiian entertainment. Activities and events will be held throughout Bishop Street. Buy a ribbon at the event to show your support for Aloha Festivals and receive discounts at select booths.

### Friday, September 10 through Sunday, September 19

- **Aloha Festivals Royal Court Appearances at the Hilton Hawaiian Village**  
The Aloha Festivals Royal

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Court will be making daily appearances in the lobby of the Hilton Hawaiian Village, with narration by the court counselor. Great photo opportunity! Listing of days and times will be posted in the lobby. For information, call 949-4321 ext. 77881.



## • 9th Annual Halekulani Steel Guitar Festival

(September 11 – 17), 5:00-8:30PM, Halekulani Hotel, House Without A Key

Enjoy the lilting sounds from the masters of the Hawaiian steel guitar with cocktails and appetizers under the century-old kiawe tree. 5-8:30 p.m. Hawaiian entertainment, 6 p.m. guest artist appearance. For more information, call 923-2311.

## Saturday, September 11

- **Aloha Festivals Frank B. Shaner Hawaiian Falsetto Contest** - 7:00PM, Sheraton Waikiki, Hawaii Ballroom  
This event, sponsored by the Sheraton Hotels in Waikiki, will bring together the finest amateur falsetto performers in concert. Contestants belt out their best high-register falsetto, a vocal art form that dates back to when Hawaiian women were forbidden to sing publicly. With performances by professional falsetto singers, the event is hosted by KINE Radio personality and comedian Frank B. Shaner. Sponsors also include Hula Records, Hilo Hattie, KFVE television station and KINE Radio. Tickets are \$45 – \$25. For event information and reservations call 931-8178.



- **Aloha Festivals Floral Parade** - 9:00AM, Ala Moana Park to Kapiolani Park.  
The free, two-hour Floral Parade is best described as an "eruption of flowers," with pageantry unlike any other parade in the world. Procession will include pa'u riders,

floral floats, hula halau and marching bands.

## Sunday, September 12

- **International Market Place Royal Celebration** – 4:00 – 5:00PM, International Market

Place Food Court Stage  
This celebration honors the Aloha Festivals Royal Court with Hawaiian entertainment. For more information, call 971-2080.

## Friday, September 17

- **Aloha Festivals High Tea "Visit Ali'i of Yesterday"** - 3:00 – 5:00PM, Sheraton Moana Surf Rider, Banyan Veranda

Spend an afternoon with the 2004 Aloha Festivals royal court and former Aloha Festivals Ali'i for tea as the "Ali'i of Yesterday," from as far back as 1953, join guests at their tables to answer questions about Oahu and the Aloha Festivals in a personal cultural exchange. The Ali'i will be available for pictures and to answer questions about the Hawaiian culture. There also will be entertainment provided by the Pa'ahana Trio, an award-winning, acoustic Hawaiian trio. Truly an affair to remember. Cost for the

event is \$25 for adults and \$10 for children (ages 5-12). For more information and reservations, call 931-8383.

- **Aloha Festivals 51st Waikiki Ho'olaule'a** - 7:00 to 10:30 PM, Kalakaua Avenue

An annual event, the Aloha Festivals Waikiki Ho'olaule'a is the largest single block party on O'ahu and features performance stages, food booths and lei vendors. Buy a ribbon at the event to show your support for Aloha Festivals. This free event on Kalakaua Avenue, from Lewers Street to Kapahulu Avenue, will be closed to vehicular traffic from 5:30 PM until midnight.

Aloha Festival events on the neighbor islands will be:

- Hawai'i - September 10 – 19
- Kaua'i - September 10 – 19
- Moloka'i - September 17 – 26
- Maui - September 17 – 26
- Lana'i - September 22 – 25

For more information and a complete listing of Aloha Festival events, visit

[www.alohafestivals.com](http://www.alohafestivals.com), call (808) 589-1771 or email: [info@alohafestivals.com](mailto:info@alohafestivals.com)

## **Got your Aloha Festivals ribbon?**



Support the Aloha Festivals by purchasing your Aloha Festivals ribbon today for just \$5.00. By wearing your ribbon, you can enjoy special ribbon discounts at participating select events or stores. To purchase your ribbon, contact WIA at 923-1094.

## Sunset on the Beach— September 4 & 5

Visitors and residents alike will have another opportunity to experience the entertainment, food and an outdoor movie theater right on Waikiki beach at this weekend's Sunset on the Beach on September 4 and 5.



Held at Queen's Surf Beach, across the Honolulu Zoo (weather permitting), the outdoor theater will open at 4:00 PM with entertainment starting at 5:00 PM. Movie/feature will start at 7:15 PM.

Food booths and "Hawaii Made" crafters will be on hand.

Sunset on the Beach is sponsored by the Hawaii Tourism Au-

thority and the City and County of Honolulu.

### **Saturday, September 4:**

Entertainment: One Drop

Movie: "Lara Croft Tomb Raider: the Cradle of Life"

Stars: Angelina Jolie as

Lara Croft, the video-game vixen brought to the big screen in the first [Tomb Raider](#) film. In the sequel, Croft travels across the world in hopes of finding an ancient underwater temple called the Cradle of Life, which, as legend has it, is the resting place for Pandora's Box, an artifact mentioned in Greek mythology that can unleash hell upon



the world if it falls into the wrong hands. In this case, those hands belong to Chen Lo, the leader of a Chinese crime syndicate.

### **Sunday, September 5:**

Entertainment: El Conjunto Tropical

Movie: "Hidalgo"

Stars: Viggo Mortensen as long-distance horse racer and U.S. Cavalry dispatcher Frank T. Hopkins.

Looking to reconnect with his past, Hopkins and his horse, Hidalgo, enter a competition called the Ocean of Fire, a 3,000-mile survival race across the Arabian Desert.



## Hawaiian Unity March—September 6

Hawaiian organizations and service agencies will be holding a *Ku I Ka Pono Unity March* on Monday, September 6.

All those interested in supporting the Hawaiian community are invited to attend this public demonstration of unity in the face of serious legal and legis-

lative challenges to Hawaiian programs and services.

The march will begin with a pule at 9:00AM and the march begins at 10:00AM. The route will be on Kalakaua Avenue, from Saratoga Road to Kapiolani Park. Participants are being asked to wear red.

Transportation from Kame-

hameha Schools will also be provided from its Kekuhaupi'o field at 8:30AM. Buses will return back to Kamehameha Schools at around 12:00PM.

For more information, visit 'Ilioulaokalani's website at [www.ilio.org](http://www.ilio.org).

## Take a Walk Through Waikiki's Past

The enchanting 2000 years of Waikiki's hidden history comes alive on the Queen's Tour of the Waikiki Historic Trail. Come discover Waikiki's storied past with a native Hawaiian historian and storyteller. This free two-hour



guided walking tour of cultural sites important to Hawaii's host culture will take you along Kalakaua and Kuhio Beach Park.

Tours are every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM. Tours begin at 9:00 AM and participants should gather at the

Royal Hawaiian Shopping Center's Fountain Courtyard.

While on the two-mile tour, you will hear stories about Hawaiian royalty, ancient healing and the legendary Duke Kahanamoku.

For information, call (808) 737-6442.



## Other Waikiki Events



Every Sunday in September, 7:30AM, Kapiolani Park, Marathon Training Jogging Clinic

By appointment only starting in September, Waikiki Community Center, Free 15-minute consultations with Dr. Cecily Tsuchiya, DPM, doctor of Podiatric Medicine & Surgery. Call 923-1802 for information and to schedule an appointment.



Every Friday, 5:00-8:00PM, All Star Hawaii Café, Don Gordon presents Jazz with the Bruce Hamada Trio



Every Wednesday, Thursday Friday & Saturday in September, 8:30PM and 10:30PM (Friday and



Saturday only), All Star Hawaii, Sharkey's Comedy Club. Thursdays at 10:00PM open mic following main show. For more information, 531-4242

Saturday, September 4, 9:00AM-9:00PM & Sunday, September 5, 9:00AM-5:00PM, Kapiolani Bandstand, Okinawan Festival

Saturday, September 4, 9:30AM start from Saratoga Road, Okinawan Festival Parade

Saturday, September 4, 6:00PM-8:30PM, All Star Hawaii sidewalk café, The King Pins

Sunday, September 5, 6:30AM-2:00PM, Sans Souci Beach-Duke Kahanamoku Beach Park, Waikiki Rough Water Swim

Wednesday, September 8,

10:00AM, Waikiki Community Center Auditorium, Free lecture and film on Israel and Palestine by the Hawaii Geographic Society. Call Ellen Katoda for reservations at 923-1802.

### Be a "Buddy"



The Hawaii chapter of the National Down Syndrome Society is looking for participants for its upcoming "Buddy Walk." This event will be on Saturday, October 2, from 10:00AM starting at Kapiolani Bandstand. Funds raised will support local programs for people with Down syndrome and the research, education and advocacy efforts of the organization. Call 672-6444 to get involved.

## Kuhio Beach Torch Lighting and Hula Show DAILY!



Torch lighting, Hawaiian music and hula shows are performed daily at **6:30 PM – 7:30 PM** at the Kuhio Beach Hula Mound, near

the Duke Kahanamoku statue. FREE. Presented by the City's Office of Economic De-



velopment (843-8002) and the Hawaii Tourism Authority.

For the month of September:

**Mondays & Tuesdays:**

"Auntie Pudgie" Young and Hawaiian Serenaders

**Wednesdays:**

Ainsley Halemanu and Ka Liko O

Kapalai



**Thursdays:** Val Crabbe and Na 'Opio

**Friday, September 3:** Val Crabbe and Na 'Opio

**Saturday, September 4:** Kale Pawai and Halau Na Pua Mai Ka Lani

**Sunday, September 5:** Leimomi Ho and Keali'ika'apunihonua Ke'ena A'o Hula



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**Check out our monthly calendar of free activities and yearly calendar listing at:**

[www.waikikiimprovement.com](http://www.waikikiimprovement.com)