



## Waikiki Wiki-Wiki Wire



### Sheraton Hawaii Bowl & Tesoro Present *Sunset on the Beach, December 16, 17 & 19*



**Makaha Sons Perform in a Special Live Concert on December 17th at 5:00 P.M.**

Sheraton Hawaii Bowl and Tesoro present a very special 3-day *Sunset on the Beach* to celebrate the Hawaii Bowl and the holidays on Saturday & Sunday, December 16 & 17, and Tuesday, December 19th. Both football teams from the Sheraton Hawaii Bowl, Arizona State and University of Hawaii, plus mascots and cheerleaders will be at this exciting “barefoot pep rally” version of *Sunset on the Beach!*

The multiple-Hoku-award-winning Makaha Sons will present a special concert on Sunday, December 17th, from 5:00 p.m. to 5:45 p.m. Before and after their performance, they will be selling and signing their latest DVD, *Concert: Makaha Sons Live at the Hawai'i Theatre*. So, in addition to enjoying a free live performance by one of Hawaii’s most beloved groups, you can also get some of your Christmas shopping done!



On Saturday, December 16, our feature movie is *Mission: Impossible III* (2006). Former spy Ethan Hunt is called back into action to recover a missing IMF Agent. But complications arise when his fiancée is captured and he must fight to get her back. Stars Tom Cruise, Philip Seymour Hoffman, and Ving Rhames.

On Sunday, December 17, our feature movie is *How The Grinch Stole Christmas* (2000). Based on the book by the famous Dr. Seuss. Inside a snowflake exists the magical land of Whoville. In Whoville, live the Who's, an almost mutated sort of munchkinlike people. All the Who's love Christmas, yet just outside of their beloved Whoville lives the Grinch. The Grinch is a nasty creature that hates Christmas, and plots to steal it away from the Whos which he equally abhors. Yet a small child, Cindy Lou Who, decides to try befriend the Grinch. Stars Jim Carrey.

The move for Tuesday, December 19, has not been selected yet. Entertainment for Tuesday will be provided by Buckz Boyz.

Our craft vendors start early around 9:00 a.m. Food booths open at 3:00 p.m. Live entertainment starts at 4:00 p.m. And the movie will screen after sunset, at approximately 6:00 p.m.

Mahalo to the Sheraton Hawaii Bowl for sponsoring three days of *Sunset* in December for three consecutive years!

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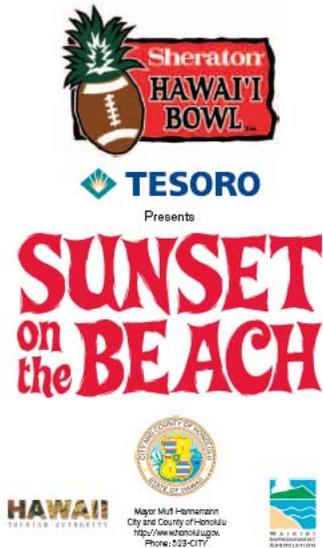
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## Sunset on the Beach (continued from page 1)

And a special mahalo to Tesoro Corporation for signing on as presenting sponsor for *Sunset* in 2007! The new schedule will be coming out shortly, with a minimum of one event per month.

*Sunset on the Beach* is a City & County of Honolulu event and also receives generous support from the Hawai'i Tourism Authority. The Waikiki Improvement Association produces the event.



## Waikiki Beach Nourishment Update



DLNR's Kuhio Beach sand pumping project is progressing well. There was a mechanical failure of the pump Friday afternoon that was not resolved until Monday morning, so pumping did not resume until mid-day Monday. Sand pumping has gone very well since Monday. An estimated 1500 cubic yards of sand have been pumped so far. Approximately 400 cubic yards of sand had been distributed to the Diamond Head end of the basin as of Tuesday afternoon.

Surf forecasts indicate another out-of-season south swell next week. Forecast charts indicate possibly 6'-10' faces starting Sunday, December 17, to Wednesday, December 20. DLNR will be closely watching this swell as it has great potential to interrupt the project and may necessitate a pull out of the equipment.

At the current rate DLNR does not expect to finish before the Christmas holidays and may possibly need to extend the project into January. To be safe, they are attempting to extend the permits that expire at the end of this year.

Project updates and photos are available at <http://www.hawaii.gov/dlnr/occl/waikiki.php>.

## Kuhio Beach Torch Lighting and Hula Show DAILY!



Torch lighting, Hawaiian music and hula shows are performed daily **6:00PM – 7:00PM** at the Kuhio Beach Hula Mound, near the Duke Kahanamoku statue. **FREE.** Presented by the City's Office of Economic Development (843-8002) and the Hawaii Tourism Authority.

Schedule subject to change without notice.

For the month of December:

**Mondays & Tuesdays:** "Auntie Pudgie" Young & Hawaiian Serenaders (NO SHOWS Monday, December 25 and Monday, January 1)

**Wednesdays:** Ainsley Halemanu and Ka Liko O Kapalai

**Thursdays:** Val Crabbe and Halau Hula Palena

**Friday, December 15:** Kale Pawai and Halau Na Pua Mai Ka Lani

**Saturday, December 16:** Lilinoe Lindsey and Ka Pa Nani O Lilinoe

**Sunday, December 17:** James Dela Cruz and Na 'Opio Me Na Kupuna O Ko'olau

**Friday, December 22:** Kale Pawai and Halau Na Pua Mai Ka Lani

**Saturday, December 23:** Shirley Recca and Halau Hula 'O Namakahulali

**Sunday, December 24:** NO SHOW Christmas Eve

**Friday, December 29:** Kapi'olani Ha'o and Halau Ke Kia'i A'o Hula

**Saturday, December 30:** Kapi'olani Ha'o and Halau Ke Kia'i A'o Hula

**Sunday, December 31:** NO SHOW New Year's Eve

## Nohelani Cypriano Headlines a Week of Free Holiday Shows at Royal Hawaiian Shopping Center

Local diva Nohelani Cypriano stars in “A Very Merry Holiday Show” at Royal Hawaiian Shopping Center on Sunday, Dec. 17 and Monday, Dec. 18 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. This two-hour Christmas spectacular of music and dance kicks off a week of free evening holiday concerts and a special birthday tribute to Ke Ali`i Bernice Pauahi Bishop, the founder of the Center’s owner Kamehameha Schools.

All shows are free, open to the public and held on Sunday, Dec. 17 through Saturday, Dec. 23 at 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on the second floor of Building A, located on the corner of Lewers Street and Kalakaua Avenue. Parking is free with a \$25 purchase or \$5 for five hours of parking. To enter the Royal Hawaiian Shopping Center parking garage from Kalakaua Avenue, turn right on Royal Hawaiian Avenue and take the next right into the Center’s garage. All restaurants validate parking. Shopping receipts are validated at the Customer Service Desk on Royal Hawaiian Avenue, until 10:00pm. Call the desk for more information at (808) 922-2299, or visit [www.RoyalHawaiianShoppingCenter.com](http://www.RoyalHawaiianShoppingCenter.com).



Nohelani Cypriano



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### Free Holiday Show Lineup

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**Tuesday, Dec. 19:** Pageant & Tribute to Ke Ali`i Bernice Pauahi Bishop  
(Performed by Halau Hula O Maiki)

**Wednesday, Dec. 20:** “Mele Kalikimaka” with The Soundettes of Hawai`i

**Thursday, Dec. 21:** “Christmas with Aloha” with Pu`uhonua

**Friday, Dec. 22:** “A Ku`uipo Kind of Christmas” starring Ku`uipo Kumukahi

**Saturday, Dec. 23:** “Holiday Cheer!” starring Josiah Kekoa and members of Ten Feet

All shows 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

# Halekulani Celebrates Christmas



Halekulani, Honolulu's leading luxury resort, is spreading holiday cheer for its in-resident guests with twelve heavenly days of festive delights. Committed to transcending guest's expectations, the House Befitting Heaven is pleased to present its "Twelve Days of Christmas at Halekulani." In celebration of Halekulani's elegant traditions, guests will experience a unique collection of daily, complimentary experiences.

Twelve Days of Christmas at Halekulani will surprise and delight guests with Halekulani's signature service, special amenities and Hawaii's finest restaurants, spa offerings and boutiques. The House Befitting Heaven is a holiday oasis in paradise where loved ones gather to indulge and celebrate a truly unique experience that is authentically, Halekulani.

## Christmas at Halekulani

**December 14** At Your Service, enjoy complimentary limo transfers to and from Ala Moana Shopping Center (noon – 8 p.m.) and an evening holiday Halekulani Trolley ride to see the festive Honolulu City lights. (Pick up from Halekulani porte-cochere at 6 p.m. and 8 p.m.)

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**December 16** Savor and Splurge, find the perfect gift at the boutiques of Halekulani while savoring sparkling beverages and twilight entertainment. (5:30p.m. – 7:30 p.m.)

**December 17** Holiday GLOW, guests will receive a special vanity turndown of a SpaHalekulani signature maile scented candle.

**December 18** Comfy Cozy, guests can relax with holiday films in Halekulani's custom theatres in the Kalia and Kiawe function rooms while enjoying an array of freshly roasted popcorn, and seasonal delights (7 p.m. – 9 p.m.)

**December 19** Hawaiian Snow Cones, Halekulani guests cool down with a savory tropical snowball...shave ice at the hotel's famous orchid pool. (Service starts at 3 p.m.)

**December 20** Visions of Sugar Plums, holiday cookie and candy apple decorating for Halekulani's youngest masters with the help of award-winning Halekulani chefs. (Please ask concierge for more information.)

**December 21** Heavenly Peace, a morning of tranquil Yoga and Tai Chi. (Please ask concierge for more information.)

**December 22** Home for the Holidays, holiday check-ins receive a complimentary holiday beverage during lobby registration at the House Befitting Heaven. (noon – 9 p.m.)

**December 23** Just for You, complimentary plush spa robe with any SpaHalekulani gift certificates totaling \$500 or more.

**December 24** Santa's Christmas Eve Arrival, for more than a decade, the Halekulani Santa has arrived by outrigger canoe during the magical Christmas Eve sunset, welcomed by a traditional keiki hula halau. Children delight in his Waikiki Beach arrival and exclusive children's after party. Santa also spends a fun filled evening with the 'big-kids' at an elegant Hau Terrace guest reception. (Santa is anticipated to arrive at 4:30 p.m.)

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## ResortQuest Hawaii Appoints Shari Chang Senior Vice President of Sales, Marketing and Revenue



ResortQuest Hawaii has announced the appointment of Shari Chang to senior vice president of sales, marketing and revenue management. She returns to the organization after previously serving for five years as vice president of sales when the company was known as Aston Hotels & Resorts.

“Shari possesses the unique skills, background, experience and leadership for a position that impacts nearly every aspect of the organization.” said Kelvin Bloom, president of ResortQuest Hawaii. “I have every confidence in her ability and I am pleased to have her join my executive management team.”

Chang brings a vast amount of expertise and wisdom to ResortQuest Hawaii. In fact, Chang helped develop the first major destination specialist Hawaii training program for travel agents worldwide.

Chang has received numerous State and industry accolades and recognitions including being named for seven consecutive years as one of the top 100 most powerful women in travel nationwide by Travel Agent Magazine and was the first woman to have earned the distinction in three separate categories of Hotels, Airlines and Destinations. Most notably she served as a gubernatorial appointee to the inaugural Hawaii Tourism Authority in 1998, serving for four years and was named chairman of its board of directors in 2000.

## Starwood Hotels & Resorts Hawaii Announces New Regional Communications Manager



Starwood Hotels & Resorts Hawaii has announced that Candice Kraughto has been appointed regional communications manager. In her new position, she will plan, direct and implement all of the public relations initiatives, press releases, coordination of press and media trips and advertising

projects for the eleven Starwood Hotels and Resorts of Hawaii, made up of four brands: Sheraton, Westin, W Hotels and the Luxury Collection, as well as the three Tahiti properties.

Prior to joining Starwood Hotels & Resorts, she was an account supervisor at Stryker Weiner & Yokota Public Relations, Inc. where she oversaw accounts for Sheraton Hotels & Resorts in Waikiki and Starwood Hotels & Resorts Hawaii. She also worked in the Office of the Governor as administrator of communication and information, where she was responsible for coordinating Governor Lingle’s public events and community relations

Candice holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in English from the University of Hawaii at Manoa. She currently serves on the advisory council for the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program and is also on the board of the Public Relations Society of America - Hawaii Chapter.

## W Honolulu Diamond Head Announces New Welcome Office Manager



The W Honolulu Diamond Head is pleased to announce Richie Miyagawa as Welcome Office Manager. In his new position, he will manage the front desk, concierge and valet services.

Miyagawa started his career with Starwood Hotels & Resorts Hawaii in

1997 as a valet for the W Honolulu Diamond Head. He has held various positions at the hotel, with his most recent as a talent coach.

Miyagawa attended the University of Hawaii at Manoa where he studied mechanical engineering, computer science and English. He is a graduate of Waiakea High School on the Big Island of Hawaii.

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## Honolulu Zoo Society Offers Twilight Tours, Star Gazing

What's Wild in Waikiki? Take a stroll to the Honolulu Zoo and learn the sort of monkey business that goes on after hours. Learn about the lives of the Zoo's remarkable citizens. Tours are held from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. *every* Saturday evening! It's a fun evening of education never experienced by day visitors. Special arrangements can be made for large groups. Families are welcome. The tours are appropriate for all ages 5 to 105! Please purchase tickets in advance from the Honolulu Zoo Society (HZS) by calling 971-7195. Walk-ups are welcome if space is available - meet at the Front Entrance at 5:15pm. See [www.honzoosoc.org](http://www.honzoosoc.org) for info.

Or see the stars as well as the animals on a special star-gazing tour that meets on the first Friday of each month! The evening begins with a tour of the zoo and continues on the zoo lawn with astronomer Dr. Michael Chauvin. Learn about the stars as well as some of the history and mythology of astronomy. Please call 926-3191 for times and for reservations. Recommended for adults and families with children over the age of 10.



## Waikiki Parade Watch (courtesy of the City)

### January 7, 2007 Sunday

7:00AM Starts  
9:00AM Ends

**BOB & RON'S 5K RUN** sponsored by the Mid-Pacific Road Runners Club. The run is expected to have 100 runners. It will start at Monsarrat Ave., to makai jog path of Paki Ave., to Poni Moi path, to Kalakaua Ave. path (2 loops) and finish at Hon. Marathon finish line on Kalakaua Ave. Contact: John Simmonds 373-3609 E-mail: [simonds001@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:simonds001@hawaii.rr.com)

### January 15, 2007 Monday

9:00AM Starts  
12noon Ends

**DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY PARADE** sponsored by Martin Luther King Coalition. The event is expected to have 2,000 marchers, 100 vehicles, 20 floats, 6 bands. It will start at Ala Moana Park to Ala Moana Blvd., to Kalakaua Ave., to Monsarrat Ave., end at Waikiki Shell Parking Lot in Queen Kapiolani Park. Contact: Patricia Anthony 384-4038 Fax: 672-4129

The above is based on the most current information available from the event organizers as of the date of this publication. For more information, call the Department of Transportation Services, 808-527-6009.



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