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A FESTIVAL FIT FOR A KING

King Kamehameha Day is a pretty big deal in Hawaii. It celebrates the accomplishments of "Kamehameha the Great," who is credited with uniting the Hawaiian Islands in 1810. A highly revered leader, Kamehameha is honored yearly with numerous celebrations across the islands.



The King Kamehameha statue adorned with lei is a magnificent sight that every visitor should see if they can. All pictures courtesy Greg Yamamoto

June 11 was first proclaimed King Kamehameha Day by Kamehameha V in 1871 to honor his grandfather and the father of the Hawaiian Kingdom, Kamehameha I, celebrating his unification of the islands. Initially, the people of Hawai'i wanted to mark the legacy of Lot Kapūiwa (Kamehameha V) on his birthday, December 11. Being a humble chief, he honored his grandfather instead and pushed the holiday far away from his birthday, hence the arbitrary date of June 11. Thus, June 11, 1872, was the very first Kamehameha Day holiday ever celebrated to honor his legacy.

Early celebrations included fairs, carnivals, foot races, and horse races. When Hawaii became a state in 1959, Kamehameha Day was one of the first holidays proclaimed by the governor and the Hawaii State Legislature. These days, Kamehameha Day events include flowers, thousands of flowers, draping his statue, adorning floats in a floral parade, and a ho'olaulea.

The annual King Kamehameha Day celebration begins on O'ahu with the Lei Draping Ceremony on Friday, June 13, at 2:30 p.m. in front of Ali'iōlani Hale. Expect to see cultural protocols and pageantry,

along with beautiful handmade lei draped on the outstretched arms of King Kamehameha. The tradition of placing leis on the statue began in 1901. Legions of volunteers welcome the task of making leis for the King. Volunteers in the bucket truck lift hundreds of leis, at least 30 feet long, that are then draped over the 15-foot statue of the celebrated ruler. But this is not the only statue of our former King—it's actually the second.

During the reign of King Kalākaua, the last King of the Hawaiian Kingdom, a statue honoring Kamehameha I was commissioned in Florence, Italy, to commemorate the founder of the Kingdom. The ship carrying the bronze statue on its way from Europe sank off the Falkland Islands. Fortunately, insurance covered the cost of casting a second statue. In the meantime, the first statue was recovered, and Honolulu soon had two statues. King Kalākaua gifted the original statue to the people of Kohala, Hawaii, to honor the birthplace of Kamehameha. The second statue proudly stands before Ali'iōlani Hale on O'ahu, home to Hawai'i's Supreme Court and the King Kamehameha V Judiciary History Center.

The festivities start on King Kamehameha Day itself, Wednesday, June 11 at 9 a.m., when the Daughters and Sons of the Hawaiian Warriors-Māmakakaua present their own tribute to King Kamehameha at the Kamehameha I statue in front of Ali'iōlani Hale. State

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Matsuri in Hawaii



The Pan-Pacific Festival returns to Waikiki June 13 to 15. All pictures courtesy the Pan Pacific Festival

Matsuri is the Japanese word for a festival or holiday. It was also the initial name for this fabulous festival when it first launched back in 1980. After a five-year break due to COVID, the Pan-Pacific Festival made a triumphant return last year, showcasing the rich cultural traditions of Hawai'i and the Pacific Rim. The 42nd Anniversary Pan-Pacific Festival will take place June 13 to 15 and the festivities begin mid-month with the Pan-Pacific Ho'olaule'a on Friday, June 13. This celebration of friendship and goodwill is a grandiose kickoff to a fabulous weekend of events and features a vibrant gathering of people and cultural displays, bringing talent from across the Pacific Rim to the heart of Waikiki from 7 to 10 p.m.

Kalākaua Avenue transforms into a lively block party featuring a blend of performances from both local and international groups, highlighting the diverse talents of the Pacific region.

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Publisher's Letter



Waikiki comes alive with culture & dance

Prepare for the most festive and frustrating weekend in Waikiki of the year. It's one of the most festive weekends as Kalākaua is bursting with energy, with a Ho'olaule'a and not one, but two vibrant, colorful, and lively parades. These events bring culture directly to the visitors, with many not even having to leave the hotel room to see the view. People staying in Waikiki that weekend have a front row seat to all the action.

It's one of the most frustrating weekends as a Ho'olaule'a, and not one, but two parades shut down Kalākaua every day for multiple hours, making driving in the area a nightmare, so rule #1 for the weekend is do not drive in Waikiki if you do not have to. Rule #2 is, if you have to drive, please plan accordingly to stay out of the mess so you and yours can hopefully enjoy the fun, flowers, and festivities that will be happening along your doorstep. However, aside from the inevitable traffic situation, visitors who happen to be in town that weekend have hit the cultural trifecta.

This crazy weekend also kicks off the summer event season. Get ready for more festivals, outdoor concert series, and more as this summer is jam-packed with lots of exciting events on the horizon, all focused on sharing our love for our islands' culture, history, and artisans.

I wanted to extend my apologies for the last issue. Although many of you may not have noticed, you did not receive the final version I signed off on. When I reviewed the color proof, I discovered multiple font issues, and a few items had slid up layout-wise. Fonts are tricky and don't always print the way they look on the screen. Per my usual process, I corrected those issues and sent revised pages to the printer to replace the errors. However, there was a communication breakdown on their side, and they never replaced the pages and printed an unapproved version of the book. Fortunately, the errors were on the cosmetic side, and not within the editorial, but nonetheless, it looks sloppy & unprofessional, and I apologize for that.

Yada Yada



Suzanne Talon

Congratulations to **Suzanne Talon** on her exciting move to the *Ala Moana Hotel by Mantra* as the new Reservations Manager! She brings with her six years of experience from the Laylow Waikiki, where she most recently served as an Assistant Front Office Manager. It's lovely to see her returning to the Ala Moana Hotel after spending two years supporting the Reservation Department there years ago, making this change feel like a full circle. • *Highgate Hawaii* is pleased to welcome its new Regional Director of Asia Sales & Marketing, **Asami Sam Arita**. Asami comes to Highgate with years of hospitality and Asia sales experience.

Throughout her career, she has held Asia sales & marketing positions at leading hospitality organizations, such as the Hawai'i Convention Center, Halekulani, Waikiki Parc Hotel, and the Hawai'i Visitors and Convention Bureau. She also served the Senior Director of Sales & Marketing – Asia at Aqua-Aston Hospitality. Most recently, she was Vice President of Sales & Marketing at the Surfjack Hotel & Swim Club. • Congratulations to **Yuki Su**, who was recently promoted from Front Desk Agent to Front Desk Supervisor at the *Outrigger Waikiki Beachcomber Hotel*. Yuki started at the hotel last April and has impressed everyone with her work ethic.



Asami Sam Arita

Experience Hawai'i's Rich Tourism Legacy through Historical Portrayals Oahu Cemetery Pūpū Theatre Returns



The historic O'ahu Cemetery is thrilled to bring back its celebrated Pūpū Theatre series in June. The series brings Hawai'i's history to life through intimate theatrical portrayals set within the historic grounds of O'ahu Cemetery. Each annual production focuses on a different theme relevant to Hawai'i's unique cultural and historical landscape, offering visitors and residents alike a deeper connection to the islands' past.

This latest chapter showcases "Visions of Hospitality," featuring five enchanting historical portrayals that beautifully illustrate the journey of Hawai'i's hospitality and tourism industries throughout the 19th and 20th centuries. Set against the backdrop of one of Honolulu's most treasured historical sites, this engaging theatrical experience brings to life the inspiring stories of individuals who helped shape Hawai'i's renowned hospitality tradition. featuring five captivating portrayals of individuals who shaped Hawai'i's tourism industry from the 19th to 20th centuries. From

King Kamehameha II's royal steward to Hawai'i's first hotel magnate, these stories offer fascinating insights into how our islands' hospitality traditions evolved, and these portrayals provide a captivating glimpse into the rich tapestry of Hawai'i's past.

"This year's program showcases how diverse individuals helped establish Hawai'i's reputation for hospitality long before it became a global tourist destination," says Mike Smola, Director of Education at the Hawaiian Mission Houses. "These stories reveal the cultural foundations and entrepreneurial spirit that created the visitor industry we know today."

Performances run select evenings from June 13-28 at the O'ahu Cemetery. Shows are from 5 to 8 p.m. on Friday, June 13, Saturday, June 14, Friday, June 20, Saturday, June 21, Thursday, June 26, Friday, June 27, and Saturday, June 28. Tickets: \$60 each. Space is limited and reservations are required. To reserve your seat, head to missionhouses.org.

EXTRA EXTRA EXTRA *Newsflash*

WAIKELE PREMIUM OUTLETS WELCOMES NEW STORES

MINISO, a global lifestyle brand offering high-quality home goods, cosmetics, toys, opens at Waikēle Premium Outlets this month next to adidas. In late June or early July, J. Crew Factory will open next to Tumi offering unbeatable deals on their colorful apparel, and later this year expect Columbia Sportswear Company, a global leader in outdoor apparel and footwear will open next to Vera Bradley. waikēlepremiumoutlets.com.

PARK WEST HAWAII LAUNCHES NEW CURATED ART EXHIBIT

Park West is proud to unveil a brand-new exhibit in its Waikiki Fine Art Museum. This carefully curated exhibit explores the genius of Pablo Picasso's works, from his early realist works to his bold late pieces, as well as works by some of the greatest masters in art history such as Rembrandt, Goya, and Dalí. The exhibit also includes works from contemporary favorites such as Michael Godard, Thomas Kinkade, Slava Ilyayev, and more. Thoughtfully pieced together by Gallery Curator Oleh Romanov, who holds a Master's degree in History and Art from Ukraine and years of experience as an art dealer, each piece is beautiful, meaningful, and important in its own way, telling a unique story that Romanov is excited to share. Tell your guests to stop by the Gallery at Waikiki Beach Walk to see this exciting exhibit this summer. parkwestgallery.com/hawaii.

THE ALOHA STADIUM SWAP MEET IS MOVING

The Aloha Stadium Swap Meet is moving to the Upper Halawa parking lot on July 1. The temporary location is designed to accommodate the popular shopping event throughout the construction of the new Aloha Stadium Entertainment District. You'll find a spacious tent, food court, food trucks, newly designed retail units, and upgraded restrooms made from shipping containers. With room for over 60 containers and space for pop-up vendors, it can host 400 to 600 vendors. alohastadium.hawaii.gov.

'AUANA CHANGES START TIME OF SECOND SHOW

'Auana's second show of the evening now starts 30-minutes earlier at 8 p.m. It's also easier to book tickets now as prices no longer reflect a difference between weekend and weekday shows. For more info go to cirquedusoleil.com/auana.

NEW PARKING RATES IN EFFECT AT ROYAL HAWAIIAN CENTER

Royal Hawaiian Center is now offering new parking validation for kama'āina and military guests. With a same-day purchase of \$25 or more, guests with a valid Hawai'i State or military ID can enjoy up to three hours of free parking. All other guests who spend \$25 or more will receive one hour free, with the second and third hours available at \$3 each. Standard hourly rates apply thereafter. royalhawaiiancenter.com/parking.

KUHIO BEACH HULA SHOW REDUCED SCHEDULE

The Kuhio Beach Hula Show is operating on a reduced schedule this month. Shows will be held on the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the month, and selected Saturdays. This month those Saturdays will only be June 7 and June 21. Held at the Kuhio Beach Hula Mound, beachside on Kalakaua, near the Duke Kahanamoku Statue, the show is free. Stop by as you walk down the beach or grab a seat on the grass. Weather permitting. 843-8002.



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Dancers honor King Kamehameha during the lei draping ceremony in front of Ali'iolani Hale

offices, schools, and many libraries are closed on Kamehameha Day, while TheBus operates on a holiday schedule.

Two days later, the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission kicks off two fabulous days of celebration starting with the lei draping. Everyone is welcome to join the regal women of 'Ahahui Ka'ahumanu in stringing 30-foot plumeria lei to serve as a base of lei on the statue - a tradition that these gracious ladies have carried on for nearly as long as the statue has stood. Donation of loose plumeria flowers accepted at 8 a.m. The Royal Hawaiian Band will perform at 2:30 p.m., with a performance by Hālau Mōhala 'Ilima, and the formal Lei Draping Ceremony begins with a welcome from the emcee and Pule and Oli at 3 p.m. Be sure to tell your guests to get their cameras ready. This is the first of many photo-ops that take place this weekend. The event is open and free to the public.

The next morning, the 108th King Kamehameha Celebration Floral Parade will begin at 9 a.m. on Saturday, June 14. The parade includes marching bands, floats decorated with thousands and thousands of flowers, and Pā'ū riders on horseback, as well as representatives from Hawai'i's Royal Societies, and the always creatively decorated pooper-scooper teams trailing the steeds that never fail to steal the show. Each island is represented by a princess and her outriders. The princess is draped in



The parade begins in front of 'Iolani Palace.

dozens of yards of satin, all held together by knots twisted around three kukui nuts. The tradition of pau riding and costumes is inspired by the era of royal parties when the ladies of the court traveled across the island. Their delicate gowns were draped with fabric to protect them from the dusty roads and trails.

As in years past, the parade will begin at King Street fronting 'Iolani Palace and then wind its way down Punchbowl Street, before making a left onto Ala Moana Boulevard and eventually onto Kalākaua Avenue. This is where it gets exciting for visitors, as all they need to do is pick a spot along Kalākaua to watch a parade unlike anything they have ever seen on the mainland, mere feet in front



The Pā'ū Riders in all their finery and their horses will be at the ho'olaule'a in Kap'iolani Park after the parade for those seeking photo opportunities

of them. The parade is expected to reach Kapi'olani Park around 11:30 a.m., but don't think it's all over then, because the party is just getting started as the King Kamehameha Celebration Ho'olaule'a kicks off inside the Park at 11 a.m. and continues through 5 p.m. The Ho'olaule'a is free to roam through, with plenty of food booths, family-friendly activities, cultural activities, live entertainment, hula, demonstrations, and more. Attendees can also partake in traditional Hawaiian games like konane and learn about their historical significance.

Additionally, interactive workshops and demonstrations will provide insights into Pupu Ni'ihau lei making, 'ohe kāpala, lauhala weaving, and other traditional crafts, allowing participants to gain hands-on experience and appreciation for these cultural practices. The event has become a tradition where parade-goers end their day. It is a time for families and supporters to relax, enjoy the afternoon with all who attend, and meet and greet with Pā'ū Riders and those participating in the parade, so again, make sure your guests bring those cameras. The photo ops will be everywhere. Enjoy the Aloha!



Puake'ala Mann, who represents the Daughters & Sons of Hawaiian Warriors, Māmakakaua on the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission, has an inspiring legacy as the Royal Hawaiian Center's second cultural director and has taught hula there for over 40 years, was all smiles riding in last year's parade.

The 153rd Annual King Kamehameha Day holiday will be observed with festivities statewide. This year's theme is "E Ho'omau – Celebrating Mary Kawena Pukui." Pukui was a native Hawaiian scholar, author, composer, and dancer dedicated to strengthening and preserving Hawaiian culture, who passed away in 1986 at 91.

The respected cultural figure wrote

more than 50 academic publications, created over 150 songs and chants, and dedicated her life to the preservation of Hawaiian culture and language. Her extensive contributions have supported Hawaiian language and culture for generations, leading to a campaign that started in 2021 to honor Pukui on the \$1 Native American Coin.

Launched in 2009, Native American \$1

coins celebrate the vital contributions of Indian tribes and individual Native Americans to the history and development of the United States. The U.S. Mint's Native American \$1 Coin Program features a design depicting Sacagawea on one side of each coin, while the reverse side changes each year, showcasing a different American who has made notable contributions to history. In 2025, this program recognizes a Native Hawaiian for the first time, as the U.S. Mint bestows this honor upon Mary Kawena Pukui.

Typically sold only through the U.S. Mint, the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission is excited to offer a limited quantity of uncirculated coins, which they have acquired directly from the U.S. Mint to make them available for purchase at the Ho'olaule'a.

Streets will begin to close in Downtown Honolulu Saturday morning at 7:30 a.m., with closures coinciding as the Parade moves along the route several blocks before its approach, so be sure to plan travel times accordingly.

Remember that Kalākaua will be closed quite a bit this weekend for both the Kamehameha Day Festivities and the Pan-Pacific Festival, so be sure to plan accordingly. kamehamehaday.hawaii.gov.

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Fresh off its successful run of TINA at the Blaisdell Concert Hall, Broadway in Hawaii presents SIX the Musical for 16 performances of the show that has taken Broadway by storm. This musical is the global sensation everyone is talking about. SIX won 23 awards in the 2021/2022 Broadway season, including the Tony Award® for Best Original Score and the Outer Critics Circle Award for Best Musical.

Anyone who has ever seen the show has raved about it, but here on the island, unless they are a Broadway aficionado, most have never heard of it. I proved that point when I chose Anne Boleyn's outfit in this show as my Halloween costume last year, and no one had ever heard of it. I think I was a year too early. Next year, everyone will know – and it's thanks to Broadway in Hawaii for bringing a show this hot directly to our doorstep.

So, what is SIX? SIX is a British musical comedy that resembles a pop concert. It presents a contemporary retelling of Henry VIII's six wives, framed as a singing competition. Throughout the show, the wives share their experiences to establish who faced the greatest hardship from their common husband, ultimately seeking to reclaim their individual identities and rewrite their narratives.

Divorced, beheaded, died, divorced, beheaded, survived—these are the fates of Henry VIII's wives. This show transforms the Tudor Queens into Pop Icons. The six wives of Henry VIII take the stage to remix five hundred years of historical heartbreak into a celebration of 21st-century girl power!

What if, following all the divorces, beheadings, and deaths, all of Henry VIII's wives united in a 16th-century rendition of 'The Real Housewives' meet 'VH1's Divas' on 'American Idol?' That's the premise of SIX, a musical envisioning all the wives as contestants in a singing competition.

The Queens introduce themselves through a series of biographical pop songs and explain

that their band's lead singer will be whoever they determine had the worst experience at the hands of their shared ex-husband. The six ladies are portrayed as modern pop divas, and each of their musical styles reflect a real-life pop star inspiration. Catherine of Aragon evokes a Beyoncé and Jennifer Hudson aura, while Anne Boleyn conjures associations with Avril Lavigne and Billie Eilish. Jane Seymour is fashioned in the likeness of Adele and Celine Dion. Anna of Cleves channels the essence of Nicki Minaj. Katherine Howard resonates with the musicality of Britney Spears and Ariana Grande, and Catherine Parr exudes the influence of Alicia Keys.

The musical challenges the traditional historical narrative of the six wives, allowing them to speak for themselves and share their experiences. Then the fun begins, including a clever twist as they parody a dating app, presenting a range of potential brides, which turns into a positive life lesson, as the ladies learn to celebrate their achievements and rewrite their own narratives, coming together to harmonize as a group instead of competing as solo performers. The show is a fun romp through history, but at its core, it's about female empowerment and reclaiming narratives.

The show is 90 minutes of nonstop energy, described as a mix between a rock show and a rave. Don't miss SIX the Musical as it comes to Honolulu June 17 to 29 at the Neal S. Blaisdell Concert Hall. Tickets are on sale now, ranging from \$50 to \$125. To view the performance schedule or to buy tickets, head to broadwayinhawaii.com.



Matsuri in Hawaii

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Expect to see Japanese Taiko drums, Korean dance, Hawaiian music, hula, and more. For those visiting Waikiki, the celebration is literally at their doorstep – just a few steps from their hotel! Kalākaua Avenue is pedestrian-only, providing an ideal pathway to explore all the exciting attractions. As always, the lively block party will present a variety of tasty food booths lining the street with an enticing blend of dishes ranging from beloved Japanese festival dishes to local favorites, offering a taste of the rich cultures highlighted at the festival. Additionally, island artisans and vendors will display unique arts and crafts that wonderfully showcase the diversity of the islands.

Don't miss the Pan-Pacific Hula Festival, held concurrently at the Hula Mound on Kūhiō Beach during the Ho'olaule'a. Attendees will enjoy the beauty and grace of hula performances beneath the stunning Banyan tree, while they watch from Waikiki beach.

"We are thrilled to continue the tradition of bringing together cultures from around the Pan-Pacific to celebrate our global community," said Yusuke Komoriya, President of the Pan-Pacific Festival Foundation. "The festival symbolizes unity and cultural exchange, with performances ranging from taiko to hula by local and international artists."

Throughout the weekend, visitors will find a delightful array of activities and performances at various locations throughout Waikiki that promise a vibrant celebration of music, dance, and cultural traditions. Performances will occur at the International Market Place, Ala Moana Centerstage, and the Kuhio Beach Hula Mound, and a schedule of all the performances will be available on their website in early June.

Dance Fes is coming back the Pan-Pacific Festival 2025 and is bringing the rhythm of Japan to Waikīkī with exciting performances by dance groups from Japan. With return appearances from special guest SHOW-HEY from RADIO FISH and world-renowned dancer Kazuki from s**t kingz, both will be on hand for two electrifying events. You can see them perform at both the Ho'olaule'a on Friday and the parade on Sunday.

Another parade? Yup, that's right. The Pan-Pacific Parade will conclude the weekend festivities on Sunday, June 15, along Kalakaua Avenue. The thoroughfare of Waikīkī will come alive with vibrant performances celebrating



The dance party takes to the streets as part of the Pan-Pacific Parade on Sunday, June 15 closing out the busiest weekend Kalākaua sees all year long

the special connection we share here in Hawai'i across the beautiful Pan-Pacific region. Over 2,000 marchers, 19 vehicles, three floats, and four bands are expected to march down Kalakaua from Fort DeRussy Park to Kapi'olani Park between 5 and 7 p.m., making this the 3rd day in a row Kalakaua will be closed down for a fun, fabulous event, making this a trifecta a photo opportunities for any visitor lucky enough to be in Waikiki this weekend – just as long as they don't plan to drive anywhere.

A complete schedule of events will be listed on the website in early June at panpacificfestival.org.

Schedule of Events

FRI Jun 13	Performing Arts Showcase Ala Moana Centerstage 10:00 AM – 2:30 PM
	21st Annual Pan-Pacific Hula Festival Kūhiō Beach, Hula Mound Special performance by local hula. Haka: 'O Ipanole Kaula 'i 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM
	Pan-Pacific Ho'olaule'a Kalakaua Avenue (Seaside Avenue – Ulukou Avenue) 7:00 PM – 10:00 PM
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Seaside Avenue StageHā Hāā Stage<ul style="list-style-type: none">Performances by local hula musiciansMoana Surfclub StageBon Dance Tower (BT)<ul style="list-style-type: none">Various Bon Dance Groups
SAT Jun 14	Performing Arts Showcase Ala Moana Centerstage 10:00 AM – 8:00 PM
	International Market Place 10:00 AM – 2:30 PM
	21st Annual Pan-Pacific Hula Festival Kūhiō Beach, Hula Mound Performances by Japanese Hula enthusiasts. Special performance by local hula. Haka: 'O Napoala Kaula 'i 4:30 PM – 5:00 PM
SUN Jun 15	Performing Arts Showcase Ala Moana Centerstage 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM
	International Market Place 10:00 AM – 2:30 PM
	Pan-Pacific Parade Kalakaua Avenue Fort DeRussy Park to Kapi'olani Park 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM
	21st Annual Pan-Pacific Hula Festival Kūhiō Beach, Hula Mound Performances by Japanese Hula enthusiasts. Special performance by local hula. Haka: 'O Napoala Kaula 'i 6:30 PM – 10:00 PM



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MONDAY

100 Sails at the Prince Waikiki 944-4494
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Kai Malo'o 6-8pm

Barefoot Beach Café at Queen's Beach 924-2233
Live Contemporary & Hawaiian
 The Barefoot Boys 5:30-8:30pm

Chart House 941-6669
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Kamaka Camarillo 6-9pm

Duke's Canoe Club Waikiki 922-2268
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 J. Lyn 4-6pm
 Bryan & Halekahu 7-9:30pm
 Ellsworth Simeona 9:30-12am

Hard Rock Cafe 955-7383
Contemporary Rock or Production duo
 ODDible 8-10pm

Heydey at the White Sands 475-6864
Contemporary Rock
 Laupepa Letuli 7-9pm

House Without a Key 923-2311
Hawaiian music & hula by Miss Hawaii '23 Star Thurston
 Pa'ahana Trio 5-8pm
 Mike Tulba 8:15-10pm

Hula Grill 923-4852
Live Contemporary Hits
 Ben Kama (or Kahiau Lam Ho) 12-2pm

Kani Ka Pila Grille 924-4992
Hoku Award Winning Hawaiian musicians
 Sean Na'auao 6-9pm

Lewers Lounge 923-2311
Jazz Pianist
 Johnny Kukui 8-10:30pm

Mahi'ai Table 670-2778
Live Contemporary
 Jenna Keala 5-8pm

Mahina & Sun's 923-8882
Monday Vibes on the Lanai
 Brian Keith 6-8:30pm

Mai Tai Bar at the Royal Hawaiian 923-7311
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Brad Kawakami 11am-2pm
 Mark Caldeira 8-10pm

Maui Brewing Company 843-2739
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Randy Allen 8:30-10:30pm

Merriman's Honolulu 215-0022
Live Slack Key guitarist
 Ruth & Norm Foster 5:30-7:30pm

Monkeypod Kitchen Ko Olina 381-4086
Live music 3x a day including from 12:30 - 2 p.m.
 Kree and Malik 3:30-5pm
 Sienna Souza 7-9pm

Monkeypod Kitchen Waikiki 900-4226

Live music 3x a day including from 12:30 - 2:30 p.m.
 Shawn Garnett 3:30-5pm
 Dustin Park 7-9pm

Pikos Kitchen & Bar 923-2032
Live Contemporary Hits
 Christian Yrizarry (6/30 - Chris Luke) 6-8pm

Roys Hawaii Kai 396-7697
Live Contemporary Hits
 Nick La'a 4:30 -6:30pm

Rumfire 921-4600
Live Contemporary Hits
 Dave Watanabe 6-9pm

Signature Prime Steak 949-3636
Contemporary Pianist in the bar
 Keith Montross 6-9pm

Splash Bar at the Sheraton Princess Kaiulani 921-4600
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Lovejack (6/9 - Paul Dunlap Jr.) 6-9pm

Swell at the Alohilani 294-4108
Solo Contemporary Guitarist
 Kamuela Kahoano 6-9:30pm

The Beach Bar at the Moana Surfrider 922-3111
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Jesse Kuikahi (6/6 - Kaiona) 3:30-6:30pm
 Johnny Valentine 7-10pm

The Edge at the Sheraton 921-4600
Live Hawaiian Music
 Johnny Kukui (or Stephen Inglis) 1-4pm
 AJ Keolanui 4:30-7:30pm

The Point Sunset Pool Bar at Turtle Bay 293-6000
Live Contemporary Hawaiian with Fireknife Dancer
 Kuhio Travis 5-8pm

Hawaiian music & hula by Miss Hawaii '24 Haley Kane
 Delima Ohana 5-8pm
 Johnny Kukui 8:15-10pm

Hula Grill 923-4852
Contemporary Rock
 Kawika Kahiaipo 12-2pm

Kani Ka Pila Grille 924-4992
Highlighting the Henry Kapon Foundation "On the Rise" artist series the first Tuesday of every month.
 Ryan Hooley 5-7pm
 Kala'e Camarillo 6-9pm

L.B.L.E. Lounge 922-0811
Live Acoustic - Industry Night
 Jenna Keala 6-9pm

Lewers Lounge 923-2311
Jazz Pianist
 Tommy James 8:30pm-12am

Mahi'ai Table 670-2778
Live Contemporary
 Keoni Ku 5-8pm

Mahina & Sun's 923-8882
Electrifying Acoustic on the Lanai
 Laupepa Letuli & Steven 6-8:30pm

Mai Tai Bar at the Royal Hawaiian 923-7311
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Liam Moleta (6/17 - Keoni Ku) 11am-2pm
 YOZA 6-9pm

Maui Brewing Company 843-2739
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Mike Piranha 8:30-10:30pm

Merriman's Honolulu 215-0022
Live Contemporary
 John Kema 5:30-7:30pm

Monkeypod Kitchen Ko Olina 381-4086
Live music 3x a day including from 12:30 - 2 p.m.
 Tehani & Sidney Spencer 3:30-5pm
 Soul Purpose 7-9pm

Monkeypod Kitchen Waikiki 900-4226
Live music 3x a day including from 12:30 - 2:30 p.m.
 Tiare and Keala 3:30-5pm
 John Akapo 7-9pm

Pikos Kitchen & Bar 923-2032
Live Contemporary Hits
 Drew Henmi (or Kamaka Camarillo) 6-8pm

Roy's Hawaii Kai 396-7697
Live Local Contemporary
 Mike Tulba 4:30 - 6:30pm

Rumfire 921-4600
Live Contemporary Hits
 Christian Yrizarry (6/24 - Chris Luke) 6-9pm

Signature Prime Steak 949-3636
Contemporary Pianist in the bar
 Keith Montross 6-9pm

Splash Bar at the Sheraton Princess Kaiulani 921-4600
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Kosuke 6-9pm

TUESDAY

100 Sails at the Prince Waikiki 944-4494
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Cherie Duo 6-8pm

Barefoot Beach Café at Queen's Beach 924-2233
Backyard Hawaiian
 Ben Kama 5:30-8:30pm
 Shane Kainoa (or others) 6-9pm

Chart House 941-6669
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Stick & Barrel 6:30-9:30pm

Duke's Canoe Club Waikiki 922-2268
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Walt Keale 4-6pm
 Kailua Moon 7-9:30pm
 Stephen Inglis 9:30-12am

Eating House 1849 Waikiki 924-1849
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Kuhio Travis 4:30-6:30pm

Hard Rock Cafe 955-7383
Contemporary Rock
 Sidney Spencer (or others) 8-10pm

House Without a Key 923-2311

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Swell at the Alohilani <i>Solo Contemporary Guitarist</i> Lovejack (6/10 - Kamaka Camarillo) 6-9:30pm	294-4108	Merriman's Honolulu <i>Live Contemporary</i> Kamaka Camarillo 5:30-7:30pm	215-0022
The Beach Bar at the Moana Surfrider <i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i> Paul Dunlap Jr (or others) 3:30-6:30pm Alex Oasay 7-10pm	922-3111	MINA's Fish House <i>Live Contemporary Hits</i> Kamuela Kahoano 6-9pm	679-0079
The Edge at the Sheraton <i>Live Hawaiian Music</i> YOZA 1-4pm Johnny Kukui 4:30-7:30pm	921-4600	Moani Waikiki <i>Contemporary Hawaiian/Country Music</i> AJ Keolanui 7-10pm	466-2629
WEDNESDAY			
100 Sails at the Prince Waikiki <i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i> Mike Tulba 6-8pm	944-4494	Monkeypod Kitchen Ko Olina <i>Live Contemporary 3x a day including from 12:30 - 2 p.m.</i> Chris Murphy 3:30-5pm Izic 7-9pm	381-4086
Barefoot Beach Café at Queen's Beach <i>Island Vibes</i> Danny Galura 5:30-8:30pm	924-2233	Monkeypod Kitchen Waikiki <i>Live music 3x a day including from 12:30 - 2:30 p.m.</i> Jasmin Nicole 3:30-5pm Chante 7-9pm	900-4226
Chart House <i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i> Hi'ialo 6-9pm	941-6669	Pikos Kitchen & Bar <i>Live Contemporary Hits</i> Mike Tulba (6/18 - Kosuke) 6-8pm	923-2032
Duke's Canoe Club Waikiki <i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i> Keoni Ku 4-6pm Taulia Lave 7-9:30pm Alika Souza 9:30-12am	922-2268	Roy's Hawaii Kai <i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i> Hoku Zuttermeister 4:30 - 6:30pm	396-7697
Hard Rock Cafe <i>Contemporary Rock</i> Cassie and the... 8-10pm	955-7383	Rumfire <i>Live Contemporary Hits</i> Jesse Kuikahi 6-9pm	921-4600
House Without a Key <i>Hawaiian music & hula by Miss Universe '97 Brook Lee</i> Pa'ahana Trio 5-8pm Nick La'a 8:15-10pm	923-2311	Signature Prime Steak <i>Contemporary Pianist in the bar</i> Pierre Grill 6-9pm	949-3636
Hula Grill <i>Contemporary Rock</i> Ronson Asuncion 12-2pm	923-4852	Splash Bar at the Sheraton Princess Kaiulani <i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i> Brad Kawakami 6-9pm	921-4600
Kani Ka Pila Grille <i>Hoku Award Winning Hawaiian musicians</i> Ei Nei 6-9pm	924-4992	Swell at the Alohilani <i>Solo Contemporary Guitarist</i> Eddie Somera 6-9:30pm	294-4108
Lewers Lounge <i>Jazz Pianist</i> Tommy James 8:30pm-12am	923-2311	The Beach Bar at the Moana Surfrider <i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i> Alika Souza 3:30-6:30pm Keahi Delovio (or Simple Souls) 7-10pm	922-3111
Mahi'ai Table <i>Live Contemporary</i> Kai Duhaylsod 5-8pm	670-2778	The Edge at the Sheraton <i>Live Hawaiian Music</i> Kupu Dalire-Na'auao 1-4pm Dave Watanabe 4:30-7:30pm	921-4600
Mahina & Sun's <i>Soulful Guitar on the Lanai</i> John Akapo 6-8:30pm	923-8882	The Point Sunset Pool Bar at Turtle Bay <i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian with Fireknife Dancer</i> Alex Oasay 5-8pm	293-6000
Mai Tai Bar at the Royal Hawaiian <i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i> Johnny Kukui 11am-2pm Johnny Valentine 6-9pm	923-7311	The Veranda at the Kahala Hotel <i>Live Contemporary</i> YOZA 6-9pm	739-8760
Maui Brewing Company <i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i> Scott Magz & Ethan Nash 8:30-10:30pm	843-2739	Vintage 1901 at the Moana <i>Contemporary Piano</i> David Swanson 6:30-10pm	921-4600
THURSDAY			
		Barefoot Beach Café at Queen's Beach <i>Live Contemporary & Hawaiian</i>	924-2233

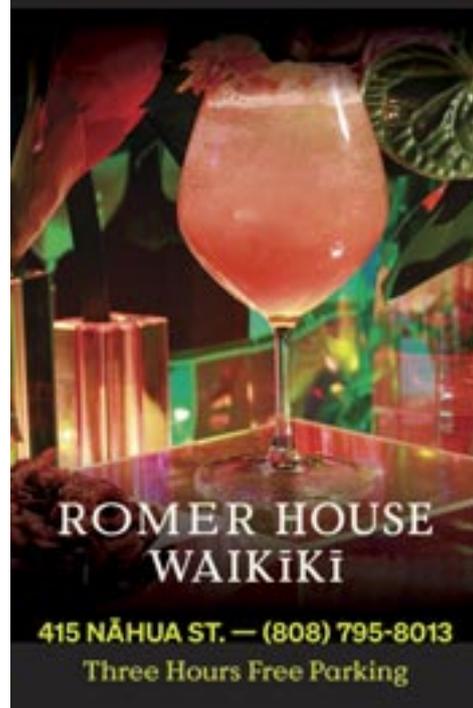


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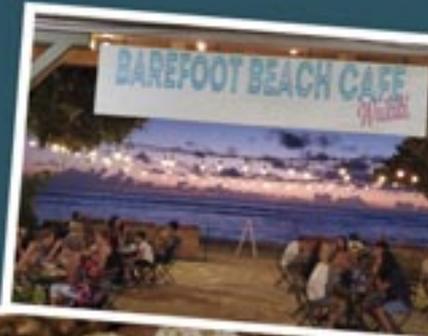
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Alika Souza	5:30-8:30pm	Kona Abergas	3:30-5pm
Chart House	941-6669	Chante Duo	7-9pm
<i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i>		Monkeypod Kitchen Waikiki	900-4226
Tito Berinobis	6:30-9:30pm	<i>Live music 3x a day including from 12:30 - 2:30 p.m.</i>	
Duke's Canoe Club Waikiki	922-2268	Bella and Tehani	3:30-5pm
<i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i>		Javin Kai	7-9pm
Ben Kama	4-6pm	Pikos Kitchen & Bar	923-2032
Henry Kaponono's New Artist 'On the Rise'	7-9:30pm	<i>Live Contemporary Hits</i>	
Scott Magz	9:30-12am	Paul Dunlap Jr	6-8pm
Eating House 1849 Waikiki	924-1849	Roy's Hawaii Kai	396-7697
<i>Live Traditional Hawaiian</i>		<i>Live Hawaiian Contemporary</i>	
Shane Kainoa	5:30 - 7:30pm	Hoku Zuttermeister	4:30 - 6:30pm
Hard Rock Cafe	955-7383	Rumfire	921-4600
<i>Contemporary Rock or Production duo</i>		<i>Live Contemporary Hits</i>	
ODDible	8-10pm	Brad Kawakami	6-9pm
House Without a Key	923-2311	Signature Prime Steak	949-3636
<i>Hawaiian music & hula by Miss Hawaii '23 Star Thurston</i>		<i>Contemporary Pianist in the bar</i>	
Walea	5-8pm	Grant Carvalho	6-9pm
Bronson Varde (6/5 - Mike Tulba)	8:15-10pm	Splash Bar at the Sheraton Princess Kaiulani	921-4600
Hula Grill	923-4852	<i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i>	
<i>Live Contemporary Hits</i>		Tad Jennings (6/19 - Kamaka Camarillo)	3-6pm
YOZA	12-2pm	Kaimi Hananoeau	6-9pm
Kani Ka Pila Grille	924-4992	Stripsteak	896-2545
<i>Hoku Award Winning Hawaiian musicians</i>		<i>Live Contemporary</i>	
Sean Na'auao	6-9pm	Jason Laeha	6-9pm
Lewers Lounge	923-2311	Swell at the Alohilani	294-4108
<i>Jazz Pianist</i>		<i>Solo Contemporary Guitarist</i>	
Ethan Capone & Rocky Holmes	8:30pm-12am	Keoni Ku w/dancer	6-9:30pm
Mahi'ai Table	670-2778	The Beach Bar at the Moana Surfriider	922-3111
<i>Live Contemporary</i>		<i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i>	
Alex Oasay	5-8pm	Christian Yrizarry (6/26 - Johnny Kukui)	3:30-6:30pm
Mahina & Sun's	923-8882	Kaimi Hananoeau	7-10pm
<i>Hawaiian Contemporary on the Lanai</i>		The Edge at the Sheraton	921-4600
Kelly Boy DeLima	6-8:30pm	<i>Live Hawaiian Music</i>	
Mai Tai Bar at the Royal Hawaiian	923-7311	Alika Souza	1-4pm
<i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i>		Chris Salvador	4:30-7:30pm
Christian Yrizarry (6/26 - Liam Moleta)	11am-2pm	The Veranda at the Kahala Hotel	739-8760
Johnny Kukui (6/12 - Stephen Inglis)	8-10pm	<i>Live Contemporary</i>	
Maui Brewing Company	843-2739	Jason Laeha	6-9pm
<i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i>		Vintage 1901 at the Moana	921-4600
Sean Cleland	8:30-10:30pm	<i>Contemporary Piano</i>	
Maui Brewing Kailua	518-2739	David Swanson	6:30-10pm
<i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i>			
Grace Welton (or others)	6-8pm		
Merriman's Honolulu	215-0022		
<i>Live Contemporary</i>			
Laupepa Letuli	5:30-7:30pm		
MINA's Fish House	679-0079		
<i>Live Contemporary Hits</i>			
Jesse Kuikahi	6-9pm		
Moani Waikiki	466-2629		
<i>Contemporary Island Music</i>			
Allan	7-10pm		
Monkeypod Kitchen Ko Olina	381-4086		
<i>Live Contemporary 3x a day including from 12:30 - 2 p.m.</i>			

FRIDAY

Barefoot Beach Café at Queen's Beach	924-2233
<i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i>	
The Art Kalahiki Band	5:30-8:30pm
Chart House	941-6669
<i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i>	
TJ	4:15-7:15pm
BK & Friends	8-11pm
Duke's Canoe Club Waikiki	922-2268
<i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i>	
Maunalua	4-6pm
Kawaika Kahiapo	7-9:30pm
Randy Allen (or Jegaan)	9:30-12am

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Dave Watanabe (6/14- Kamaka Camarillo) 6-9pm	Eddie Somera 4:30-7:30pm	TJ Ro 6-8:30pm
Maui Brewing Company 843-2739 <i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i> Ben Kama Duo (or others) 3:30-5:30pm	The Grove at the Modern Pool Deck 943-5800 <i>Live Contemporary</i> Mike Izon 4-7pm	Mai Tai Bar at the Royal Hawaiian 923-7311 <i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i> John Coelho & Kanoe Arola 11am-2pm Christian Yrizarry (6/29- Bronson Varde) 6-9pm
Maui Brewing Kailua 518-2739 <i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i> Scott Magz (or Dion "Boogie" Scott) 7-9pm	The Point Sunset Pool Bar at Turtle Bay 293-6000 <i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian with Fireknife Dancer</i> Marty Saito 5-8pm	Maui Brewing Company 843-2739 <i>Live Contemporary</i> Jason Laeha 8:30-10:30pm
Merriman's Honolulu 215-0022 <i>Live Contemporary</i> Kapu Copp 5:30-7:30pm	The Veranda at the Kahala Hotel 739-8760 <i>Live Contemporary</i> Cory Oliveros 6pm-9pm	Merriman's Honolulu 215-0022 <i>Live Contemporary Piano</i> Grant Carvalho 5:30-7:30pm
MINA's Fish House 679-0079 <i>Live Contemporary Hits</i> Alex Oasay 6-9pm	Vintage 1901 at the Moana 921-4600 <i>Contemporary Piano</i> David Swanson 6:30-10pm	Moani Waikiki 466-2629 <i>Contemporary Island/Reggae</i> Dustin Park 7-10pm
Moani Waikiki 466-2629 <i>Live Contemporary</i> Gil Bitanga 6-9pm	SUNDAY	
Monkeypod Kitchen Ko Olina 381-4086 <i>Live Contemporary 3x a day including from 12:30 - 2 p.m.</i> Javin Kai 3:30-5pm Izik 7-9pm	Barefoot Beach Café at Queen's Beach 924-2233 <i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i> Kimo Baker 10am-1pm Art Kalahiki 5:30-8:30pm	Monkeypod Kitchen Ko Olina 381-4086 <i>Live Contemporary 3x a day including from 12:30 - 2 p.m.</i> Sierra Lucia 3:30-5pm Teanu 7-9pm
Monkeypod Kitchen Waikiki 900-4226 <i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian music 3x a day</i> Sierra Lucia 12:30-2pm Tad Jennings 3:30-5pm Kona Abergas 7-9pm	Chart House 941-6669 <i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i> Dean & Tito 6:15-9:15pm	Monkeypod Kitchen Waikiki 900-4226 <i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian music 3x a day</i> JOBY! 12:30-2:30pm Liam Moleta 3:30-5pm Koa Inna Vision 7-9pm
Original Magoos Pizza 949-5381 <i>Solo Country</i> Buck Giles 5:30-8:30pm	Duke's Canoe Club Waikiki 922-2268 <i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i> Henry Kapono 4-6pm Kaiona Duo 7-9:30pm Tad Jennings 9:30-12am	Original Magoos Pizza 949-5381 <i>Kanikapila Night</i> Leonard Jenkins & Joe Chang 5:30-8:30pm
Pikos Kitchen & Bar 923-2032 <i>Live Contemporary Hits</i> Johnny Kukui 6-8pm	Eating House 1849 Waikiki 924-1849 <i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i> Shane Kainoa 10:30am-1pm	Pikos Kitchen & Bar 923-2032 <i>Live Contemporary Hits</i> Dominic Carlos 6-8pm
Redfish at the Wayfinder Waikiki 921-3220 <i>Live Contemporary Hits</i> Johnny Helm 6-10p	Hard Rock Cafe 955-7383 <i>Contemporary Rock</i> TJ & Son 10am-12pm Allie and the Waves 8-10pm	Plumeria Beach House 739-8760 <i>Live Contemporary</i> Lovejack 6-9pm
Rumfire 921-4600 <i>Live Contemporary Hits</i> YOZA 4:30-7:30pm Bronson Varde (6/7 - Jason Midro) 8-10:30pm	House Without a Key 923-2311 <i>Hawaiian music & hula by Miss Universe '97 Brook Lee</i> Pu'uhonua Trio 5-8pm Jason Midro 8:15-10pm	Rumfire 921-4600 <i>Live Contemporary Hits</i> Jenna Keala 4:30-7:30pm Alex Oasay 8-10:30pm
Signature Prime Steak 949-3636 <i>Contemporary Pianist in the bar</i> Grant Carvalho 6-9pm	Hula Grill 923-4852 <i>Contemporary Rock with Hula</i> Keoni Ku (or Jason Midro) 12-2pm	Signature Prime Steak 949-3636 <i>Contemporary Pianist in the bar</i> Keith Montross 6-9pm
Splash Bar at the Sheraton Princess Kaiulani 921-4600 <i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian, DJ spins from 1-4pm</i> Brad Kawakami Duo & Dancer (or others) 4:30-7:30pm Tangi Tully 8-10pm	Kani Ka Pila Grille 924-4992 <i>Hoku Award Winning Hawaiian musicians</i> Nathan Aweau 6-9pm	Splash Bar at the Sheraton Princess Kaiulani 921-4600 <i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian - DJ Mau spins from 1-4pm</i> Kailua Moon & Dancer (or others) 4:30-7:30pm Chris Luke 7:45-9:45pm
Stripsteak 896-2545 <i>Live Contemporary</i> Dustin Park 6-9pm	La Hiki Restaurant at the Four Seasons 679-0079 <i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i> Jenna Keala 11am-2pm	Swell at the Alohilani 294-4108 <i>DJ KK Spins Poolside from 2-5 pm</i> Jason Laeha 6-9pm
The Beach Bar at the Moana Surftrider 922-3111 <i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i> Brad Kawakami 12-3pm Bronson Varde (6/7- Mike Tulba) 3:30-6:30pm Koa Atwood (6/21- Lovejack) 7-10pm	Lewers Lounge 923-2311 <i>Jazz Pianist</i> Eddie Somera 8-10:30pm Nick La'a (6/1, 6/29) 8-10:30pm	The Beach Bar at the Moana Surftrider 922-3111 <i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i> YOZA 12-3pm Keoni Ku (or others) 3:30-6:30pm Dave Watanabe 7-10pm
The Edge at the Sheraton 921-4600 <i>Live Hawaiian Music</i> Johnny Kukui 1-4pm	Mahī'ai Table 670-2778 <i>Live Contemporary</i> Johnny III 5-8pm	The Edge at the Sheraton 921-4600 <i>Live Hawaiian Music</i> Christian Yrizarry (or others) 1-4pm Jesse Kuikahi 4:30-7:30pm
	Mahina & Sun's 923-8882 <i>Award-winning ukulele on the Lanai</i>	

The Point Sunset Pool Bar at Turtle Bay 293-6000
Live Contemporary Hawaiian with Fireknife Dancer
 Danielle Parente 5-8pm

Vintage 1901 at the Moana 921-4600
Contemporary Piano
 David Swanson 6:30-10pm

Dining Dish

Chinatown's trendiest cocktail bar has found a new home within the adults-only Romer House Waikiki. The reimagined bar pays homage to the spirit of Chinatown's beloved lei shops. Guests step through the welcoming arched entryway of **The Lei Stand Waikiki** to find themselves surrounded by a lively atmosphere filled with tropical greenery and stunning neon art. Whether you're in the mood for refreshing drinks at the bar or prefer to unwind in the cozy lounge seating, it's the perfect spot to soak up an intimate, after-hours island vibe. Open Sunday to Thursday from 5 p.m. to midnight, and Friday and Saturday from 5 p.m. to 2 a.m., stop by to get lei'd in Waikiki in this retro classic featuring a celebrated cocktail list. 795-8012. • **Moo Bong Ri Soup and Yakiniku**, a well-known restaurant chain in the US, has opened its first full-service Moo Bong Ri location in Hawaii, offering its famous traditional Korean dishes to the islands. Situated at the former McCully Buffet site at 930 McCully St., the restaurant welcomes guests daily from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Diners can look forward to an à la carte experience that showcases the rich diversity of Korean flavors. The menu includes grilled fish, sizzling plates, noodle dishes, and various types of bibimbap, ensuring an authentic Korean dining experience. moobongri.com. • **Stripsteak Waikiki** now features live music on Thursdays, showcasing Jason Leaha, and has established a live music lineup from Thursday to Saturday every week. Additionally, they have launched a new Summer Market Fish Menu, which will be available until the end of July. They will host several Fish Sommelier dinners, with one scheduled for June 20th. Heads up - Chef Michael Mina will be in town for a significant lanai event on July 26th. The Fish Sommelier dinners are priced at \$175++, while the Chef Mina event costs \$300. For more information, call 896-2545 or visit stripsteakwaikiki.com.



Chef's Corner

Off the Wall Exec. Chef Savannah Richardson

Savannah Richardson is a breath of fresh air. A young chef who has fought to learn every trick she knows the old fashioned way - hands on behind the line, versus in a textbook. After the Army transferred her partner to Hawaii, she moved here in 2021, she misses her friends and family on the mainland, she finds the isolation motivating and loves both the outdoor living and diversity of local ingredients Hawai'i offers. When she's not working, she's a Twitch streamer, spending hours playing games with the community she has built online. The friends she's made worldwide have significantly contributed to her success and growth in the kitchen.

What is your first childhood food memory?

My first kitchen memory was a project on my Native American heritage. My grandmother and I made Indian Fry Bread for the class to enjoy while I shared what I learned. It was delicious!

When did you know you wanted to be a chef?

I knew I wanted to be a chef when I watched more cooking shows than cartoons. I loved working with my family in the kitchen.

How did you go about making that a reality?

I learned from my father, our "little chef" at home, who loved cooking for our family and taught himself new recipes. I also took notes and recipes from my grandmothers, who defined "Grandma's Cooking."

What was your first job in the industry?

My very first job was a roller-skating carhop at Sonic. I quickly realized I would rather be in the kitchen alongside the guys. Something about watching others enjoy the meal you created for them sparked something inside of me.

How'd you go from managing Chipotle to chef?

I began at Chipotle at the entry level and worked my way up to Kitchen Manager. This experience led me to oversee multiple restaurants, achieving Restaurateur status. After that, I continued working in kitchens and learning from various mentors.

Who would you consider your mentor?

Two people have truly guided my culinary journey: Chef Matt Vidusek, who recognized my potential when we opened a new restaurant in Hawaii, and Chef Marcus Meacham, a longtime chef and television personality for Tastemade. Their passion for cooking and teaching has inspired me immensely, making me feel valued in the kitchen despite my limited knowledge.

Where did you do your training?

I gained all my training in the kitchens where I worked. While I did take a few courses offered by Chipotle, the majority of my learning came from my personal experiences throughout my journey.

You've worked at lots of restaurants, any faves?

Chipotle will always hold a special spot in my heart, as they genuinely made you feel like they wanted you there even more than you did. One of their main goals was to ensure you felt valued for all the effort you put in. Another favorite of mine was D'Lish at the Beach. The two amazing women who owned that place once cooked for the Obama family. They inspired me to explore many different cuisines, even though I didn't have much prior knowledge.

How would you describe your style of cooking?

I would describe my cooking style as bold and full of spice. I know spicy isn't everyone's preference, but there is so much you can do with different levels of heat and layering flavors that don't always have to torture your palate.

Why did this new opportunity excite you?

I find this opportunity incredibly exciting as it will be the first place I can truly call my kitchen. Over the last few years, my life has taken several unexpected turns, and I feel that this is a wonderful fresh start for me to rediscover who I want to be and to cultivate the discipline necessary for future achievements.

What are you looking forward to most there?

I'm genuinely excited to continue building upon the amazing legacy that Off the Wall has established. I can't wait to inspire and support my team as they pursue their growth in the kitchen. It's rewarding to watch the efforts invested in others flourish.

Do you have any plans for the menu?

Right now, I'm really excited to dive into learning the menu and getting a clear sense of what's expected of me. I do have some fantastic ideas that I can't wait to share with our community!

What's your favorite restaurant to go to?

The Diner by Upscale Hawaii. It's a 24-hour walk-up restaurant on King St. with a huge menu, great prices, and a welcoming atmosphere. Whether it's 3 p.m. or a.m., there's always people there.



Smokey Potato Leek Soup with Pork Belly & Habanero

Ingredients:
 10 garlic cloves, *minced* 4 quarts chicken broth
 5lbs russet potatoes, *peeled & diced* 2 cups smoked pork belly, *diced* Salt & pepper, *to taste*
 2 lbs leeks, *cleaned & sliced* 1-2 habanero peppers, *finely*
(white and light green parts) *chopped (seeded for less heat)* **Optional:**
 1 yellow onion, *chopped* 2 Tbsp fresh thyme *chopped* cream or butter for richness

Instructions: Render the pork belly: In a large heavy-bottomed pot or Dutch oven over medium heat, add the pork belly. Cook until the fat renders and the meat starts to crisp, about 8-10 minutes. Remove and set aside, leaving the fat in the pot. **Sauté aromatics:** Add onion, leeks, and a generous pinch of salt to the pork fat. Sauté over medium heat until softened, about 8-10 minutes. Add garlic, habanero, and thyme; cook for 1-2 minutes until fragrant. **Add potatoes & broth:** Stir in the diced potatoes and pour in the chicken broth. Bring to a boil, then reduce heat and simmer uncovered for 30-35 minutes, or until the potatoes are very tender. **Blend the soup:** Remove from heat. Use an immersion blender to blend until smooth (or in batches in a blender, being careful with hot liquid). Add back the reserved pork belly (or just half for texture contrast). **Adjust & finish:** Taste and season with salt and pepper. For extra richness, stir in a splash of cream or a knob of butter just before serving. Simmer another 5 minutes if needed to blend flavors. **Serve:** Garnish with crispy pork belly bits, thyme leaves, or a swirl of cream. Serve hot with crusty bread.

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MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS & FRIDAYS O NĀ LANI SUNSET STORIES HULA SHOW

Honoring the rich history and sense of place of the International Market Place through song & dance. It begins at sunset with the lighting of the Lamakū Torch Tower on Kalākaua Avenue and leads to the Queen's Court. Free. 6:30 p.m. shopinternationalmarketplace.com.

TUESDAY THRU SATURDAY ARTS AT MARKS LATEST EXHIBIT

Don't miss the latest monthly exhibit at the Arts at Marks, and be sure to stop by and meet the artists at Pau Hana Friday on the first and final Friday of the month from 5 - 8 p.m. Open Tues-Sat. 12 - 5 p.m. artsatmarks.com.

WEDNESDAYS, SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS ALOHA STADIUM SWAP MEET

The Aloha Stadium Swap Meet has been going strong since 1979. Featuring over 400 vendors, crafters and artists, the Swap Meet offers low-prices on a wide selection of quality products with food trucks to snack from. Wednesdays & Saturdays: 8 a.m. - 3 p.m., Sundays, 6:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. \$2 admission ages 12 & up, \$1 for locals. alohastadium.hawaii.gov.

FRIDAYS CHAMPAGNE FRIDAYS AT PARK WEST

Watch a live painting session as resident artist Cam Rose paints in the window of Park West Gallery along Lewers Street while sipping on a

complimentary glass of bubbly at Park West Gallery on Waikiki Beach Walk Fridays from 4 to 9 p.m. parkwestgallery.com/hawaii.

FRIDAYS ROYAL HAWAIIAN BAND LUNCHTIME SHOW

The Royal Hawaiian Band returns to 'Iolani Palace for its popular lunchtime concerts. Held on most Fridays, the concerts are free and open to the public. 12 - 1 p.m. iolanipalace.org

FIRST FRIDAY (JUNE 6) DOWNTOWN GALLERY WALK & CRAFT FAIR

Downtown comes alive the first Friday of every month as art lovers fill the streets for Honolulu's outdoor self-guided arts tour. Stores spill out onto the sidewalk, and artists are on hand to chat about to their works, and restaurants are ready to serve you. firstfridayhawaii.com.

SECOND FRIDAY (JUNE 13) BISHOP MUSEUM AFTER HOURS

Enjoy after-hours access to the Museum and explore the grounds, experience unique exhibitions, hear about the latest scientific discoveries, and engage with Hawaiian cultural practitioners in an evening of tributes, mele, and hula. Spend the evening on the Great Lawn. 5 - 9 p.m. \$15 at the door. (\$10 pre-sale). bishopmuseum.org.

FRIDAYS HOMA NIGHTS

On Friday nights, explore the galleries, stargaze in the courtyards, enjoy art experiences and music, and connect with the

museum community, bar service at the HoMA Cafe, and other interactive art experiences until 9 p.m. honoluluuseum.org.

SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS ART ON THE ZOO FENCE

Art On The Zoo Fence is a group of resident Hawaii artists that meet every Saturday and Sunday to display and sell art and photography on the Zoo fence on Monsarrat Avenue opposite the Kapiolani Park Bandstand. This is the only outdoor art venue in Honolulu that has proudly been displaying art since 1953. 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Free. artonthezoofencehi.com.

SECOND SATURDAY (JUNE 14) KANIKAPILA MA KAIWI'ULA

Bring your 'ukulele, or borrow one that's there. Join in to learn some new techniques, share mo'olelo or just enjoy the music as Ukulele Guild of Hawai'i members lead guests through selections from the Hawaiian Songbook. Free with admission. Bishop Museum Native Hawaiian Garden. 10 a.m. bishopmuseum.org.

SECOND SUNDAY (JUNE 8) KAMA'AINA SUNDAYS

Kama'aina Sundays offer entertainment and cultural workshops. Held every second Sunday, the free monthly event provides unique opportunities to enjoy live performances, engage in Hawaiian crafts and explore the historical significance of 'Iolani Palace. Take advantage of free tours, entertainment, activities and plenty of food options. Free tours available to the first 500 guests with proof of residency. 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. iolanipalace.org.

THIRD SUNDAY (JUNE 15) COMMUNITY DAY

The third Sunday of the month is Community Day at the Honolulu Museum of Art. Enjoy exploring the galleries and outdoor spaces and get creative with two art activities. Free for kama'aina. 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. 532-8700. honoluluuseum.org.

FOURTH SUNDAY (JUNE 22) MELE HALI'A

Waikiki Beach Walk celebrates Hawaiian music one Sunday a month on the Plaza Stage. This month features the children of our men in blue, as the Honolulu Police Activities League hula program from 5-6 p.m. with music provided by some of Hawaii's active police officers who are also professional musicians when not on duty. waikikibeachwalk.com.

JUNE 1 • TUBE

Japan's TUBE, returns to Hawaii for their "Live Around Special 2025." When celebrating its 15th anniversary, TUBE, known as 'the Beach Boys' of Japan, became the first Asian group to bring both its music and its audience to Hawaii at Aloha Stadium in 2000. Over 15,000 fans - 10,000 of which flew from Japan expressly for the concert - were treated to an evening of spectacular music, cutting-edge technology, a helicopter fly-over, and cascades of water. This show marks its 40th anniversary. Waikiki Shell. 6:30 p.m. Reserved seats are sold out, but lawn seats are still available. \$62.50. ticketmaster.com.



JOIN US at QUEEN'S SURF BEACH

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4, 4:00 pm

for the unveiling of a new plaque that celebrates the history of this popular gathering place for Hawai'i's diverse Māhū & LGBTQIA+ communities.

Festivities will include remarks by the Mayor, kūpuna, and special guests, followed by an 'awa ceremony & picnic on the lawn.

Free and Open - All Welcome

Location
under the tree next to the fence on the Ewa side of Waikiki Aquarium
2777 Kalākaua Ave, Honolulu



Queen's Surf Beachgoers, 1960
(courtesy of Mel Lantaka)



First Gay Pride Parade, 1974
(courtesy of Hawai'i State Archives)





JUNE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JUNE 1

KEIKI SUNDAY MĀLAMA KAI

Sea Life Park will celebrate World Reef Day with plenty of fun, free, and educational surprises for keiki, including a festive arts & crafts activities, live music, keiki hula performances, face painting, special character visits, photo booth fun with a free souvenir photo, and their daily animal habitat talks, games, activities, and more. Free for everyone inside the park. One free Keiki Admission (ages 4 to 12) with each paid adult ticket. 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. sealifepark.com.

JUNE 3

AN EVENING WITH TOMMY EMMANUEL



World-renowned acoustic guitarist Tommy Emmanuel is celebrated for his unmatched talent, virtuosity, and his infectious joy in music. His exemplary career includes Grammy® nominations, numerous awards, and acclaimed albums showcasing his iconic songs and duets with extraordinary musicians. Tickets: \$57.50-\$162.50. 8 p.m. hawaii theatre.com.

JUNE 3

JAMES AUSTIN JOHNSON

James Austin Johnson is a comedian and actor currently in his fourth season as a cast member on "Saturday Night Live," where he is currently getting a lot of recognition for his uncanny portrayal of Donald Trump. 7 p.m. Tickets: \$25-\$35. bluenotehawaii.com.

JUNE 4

NEW HISTORICAL MARKER UNVEILING

A new marker describing how Queen's Surf Beach became an important site of gathering and organizing for Hawai'i's diverse LGBTQ+ Māhū communities beginning in the 1970s will be unveiled by Mayor Blangiardi, following a blessing by Kumu Patrick Makuakāne, there will be an awa ceremony and picnic followed by Return of Kapaemahu performance on the Kuhio Beach hula mound at 6:30. Free and open to the public. 4 - 6 p.m. kapaemahu.com.

JUNE 6

BOBBY LEE LIVE IN CONCERT



American stand-up comedian, actor, and podcaster Bobby Lee is known for his time on MADtv, "Harold & Kumar Go to White Castle," "Pineapple Express," and more. Tickets: \$62-\$72. The early show at 7 p.m. is sold out, but a second show at 9:30 p.m. has been added. hawaii theatre.com.

JUNE 7

K-LOVE LIVE IN HONOLULU

Enjoy an ultimate music escape with inspiring performances from Chris Tomlin, Zach Williams, Tauren Wells, and Zeo Worship. Tickets: \$29-\$272.25 for a VIP experience. Waikiki Shell. 5 p.m. ticketmaster.com.

JUNE 7

HULA AT WAIMEA VALLEY

Enjoy cultural traditions of mele oli and mele hula with a special performance from Ka Pā Hula

O Kauanoe 'O Wa'ahila at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Performance included with general admission. Located at the Amphitheatre or Upper Meadow. waimeavalley.net.

JUNE 7

JEFFERSON STARSHIP

One of the most successful arena rock bands of the '70s and '80s, Jefferson Starship has earned three platinum, eight gold records, and numerous Top 40 hits. The band's origins trace back to 1970, and by 1974, Jefferson Starship officially took flight, featuring a powerhouse lineup that included Paul Kantner, Grace Slick, Marty Balin, and others. Though Jefferson Starship briefly disbanded in 1985, Kantner revived the name in 1992, keeping the band's spirit alive. Today, Jefferson Starship continues to tour, with founding member David Freiberg leading a lineup that honors the band's rich legacy while bringing its timeless music to new generations. Tickets: \$72-\$262. 8 p.m. hawaii theatre.com.

JUNE 8

ROOFTOP STARGAZING

Get an up-close and personal look at the moon in the Hawaiian night sky at the free Rooftop Stargazing Event at Royal Hawaiian Center located on the fourth floor of Building A. 7:15 – 9:15 p.m. royalhawaiiancenter.com.

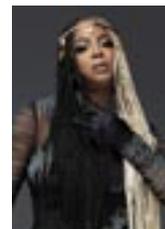
JUNE 8 • ALII SUNDAY

Kawaiahao Church celebrates select Hawaiian Royalty who are particularly important to the Church, by holding seven special Sunday

services in honor of their birthdays throughout the year. Today, they celebrate Kamehameha Ekahi. 9:30 a.m. kawaiahao.org.

JUNE 11-12 • LEELA JAMES

The music of acclaimed R&B and soul singer-songwriter Leela James is a constant reminder of what it is to be human – to love, to regret, and to dream. She burst onto the scene in 2006 with her debut album and has since collaborated with the best producers, toured successfully across the US and Europe with some of the biggest names in R&B, and appeared on a host of TV shows. Performances at 6 and 8:30 p.m. Tickets: \$35-\$45. bluenotehawaii.com.



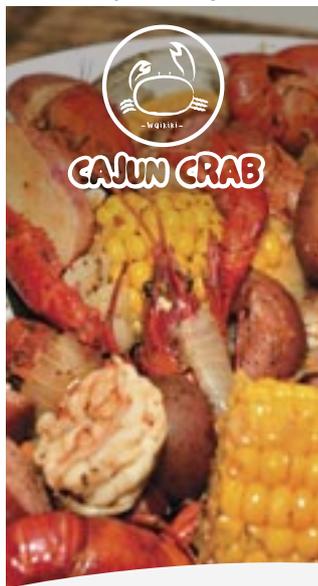
JUNE 13

KING KAMEHAMEHA LEI DRAPING



The King Kamehameha statue fronting Ali'iolani Hale will be draped in multiple 30-foot plumeria lei, making for an amazing picture opportunity. The traditional lei draping of his statue begins with the Royal Hawaiian Band honoring the revered monarch. The ceremony begins at 2:30 p.m. Loose plumeria flowers are accepted at 8 a.m. and volunteers who want to help string the lei are welcome. hawaii.com/kamehamehaday.

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JUNE 13 • THE GREEN



For over 15 years, The Green has been a cornerstone of the reggae music scene, seamlessly blending island roots with global appeal. Based in Hawaii, the band has become one of the most beloved and influential acts to emerge from the islands. Since then the band has cultivated a devoted global fanbase and connecting fans worldwide to the essence of Hawaiian reggae and the enduring spirit of Aloha. They will be joined by special guests L.A.B, Johnny Suite, Chante & Hapa Boye. Tickets: \$59.50 - \$99.50. Waikiki Shell. 6 p.m. bampproject.com.

JUNE 13-14 • WAHIAWA HONGWANJI MISSION OBON FESTIVAL

The Bon dance is back! Get ready for two nights of dancing, eating, and shopping. There will be plenty of food trucks, crafts, and homemade food items for sale. Fri. 6 p.m. Sat. 7 p.m. wahiawashinbuddhists.org.

JUNE 13-15 PAN-PACIFIC FESTIVAL

The Pan-Pacific Festival returns celebrating the cultural traditions of Hawaii, the Pacific Rim and around the world, takes place over three days at various locations around town including a Ho'olaule'a on Friday night from 7:30 – 10 p.m. and a parade on Sunday from 5 – 7 p.m. that will

close down Kalākaua Avenue to vehicular traffic. See cover story for more details. pan-pacific-festival.com.

JUNE 14

JCCH CRAFT & COLLECTIBLES FAIR

Meet and shop with local vendors at the monthly JCCH Craft & Collectibles Fair. Browse a selection of Japanese and Japanese-inspired items while supporting small business owners. The JCCH Gift Shop and Gallery will also be open. 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Japanese Cultural Center of Hawai'i. jcchawaii.org.

JUNE 14 • KING KAMEHAMEHA FLORAL PARADE & CELEBRATION



The 108th Annual King Kamehameha Floral Parade is back. The parade starts at 'Iolani Palace at 9 a.m. and ends at Kapiolani Park around 11 a.m., and is followed by the King Kamehameha Celebration Ho'olaule'a at the park from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. with cultural activities, hula, live entertainment, Hawaii made products, food booths and more. Free. hawaii.com/kamehamehaday.

JUNE 14

HULA AT WAIMEA VALLEY

Enjoy cultural traditions of mele oli and mele hula with a special performance from Hālau Kilipohe Na Lei Lehua at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Performance included with general admission.

Located at the Amphitheatre or Upper Meadow. waimeavalley.net.

JUNE 14 O KE KAI SERIES

The Friends of Hōkūle'a and Hawai'i'loa have partnered with Outrigger Hotels to present a hands-on workshop with canoe building and restoration. Keiki activities, such as canoe lashing and navigating compass. Hosted in partnership with . Free and open to the public. Music by Kawika Kahiapo. 9 a.m. – noon. Outrigger Reef Lobby A'o Cultural Center.

JUNE 14 • HAPASYMPHONY FEATURING KEOLA BEAMER



Hear and see the exquisite artistry of Slack-Key master Keola Beamer as he graces the stage with your HSO for the grand finale of the HapaSymphony series. Embodying the rich traditions of Hawaiian slack-key guitar while injecting it with new vitality, Beamer, a legend of Hawaiian music, showcases his iconic classics and fresh compositions in a way only a symphony orchestra can deliver. "...bring me back again." Tickets: \$20-\$118.50. 7:30 p.m. hawaii theatre.com.

JUNE 14-15

T&C GROM CONTEST

The 27th Annual T&C Surf Grom Contest takes place at Queen's Beach. This family friendly two-day contest is open to inspiring surfers ages 12 and younger who want a taste of competitive surfing in a fairly mellow setting where all entry level surfers are eligible to surf only one division providing more kids a chance to compete. Visitors can watch the action from the beach. tcsurf.com/pages/grom-contest.

JUNE 15

FATHER'S DAY W/ ANDY BUMATAI & AUGIE T

Take Dad out to celebrate Father's Day with Andy & Augie T. as part of the Blue Note Comedy Series along with James Mane. Hosted by Daryl Bonilla. Tickets: \$35-\$45. Doors open at 11 a.m. with the show begins at 1 p.m. bluenotehawaii.com.

JUNE 15 • HSO - 24/25 MASTERWORKS - BRAHMS SYMPHONY NO.1

Grammy-nominated pianist Joyce Yang returns with Dane Lam to close the Masterworks season with Rachmaninoff's blockbuster Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini, and Brahms' triumphant First Symphony. Tickets: \$20-\$118.50. 4 p.m. hawaii theatre.com.

JUNE 17

BE:FIRST WORLD TOUR



The seven-member Japanese dance and vocal group has swept the No. 1 position on various charts in Japan since its debut and is now branching out, launching its first world tour. Tickets: \$59.49-\$117.50. 8 p.m. hawaii theatre.com.

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JUNE 17 CHRISTOPHER TITUS



Prolific stand-up comedian, writer, actor, and producer Christopher Titus has sold shows to NBC, ABC, FOX, and Comedy Central. His wildly innovative multi-cam half-hour Titus premiered to great acclaim on Fox, earning the show an Emmy nomination, while Titus himself received a WGA Award nomination for his writing. Tickets: \$59.49-\$117.50. 8 p.m. hawaiiitheatre.com.

JUNE 17-29 SIX THE MUSICAL

From Tudor Queens to Pop Icons, the SIX wives of Henry VIII take the microphone to remix five hundred years of historical heartbreak into a Euphoric Celebration of 21st century girl power! This new original musical is the global sensation that everyone is losing their head over, winning 23 awards in the 2021/2022 Broadway season. broadwayinhawaii.com.

JUNE 18-19 HAWAII HOTEL & RESTAURANT SHOW

The 5th Hawaii Hotel & Restaurant Show, the official trade show of the Hawai'i Lodging & Tourism Association, heads to the Neal Blaisdell Center Exhibition Hall. Admission is free, but attendees must pre-register online and be approved prior to arrival. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. HawaiiHotelAndRestaurantShow.com.

JUNE 21 MUSIC AND MEMORIES 2025

The Makaha Sons, Henry Kapono, and Robi Kahakalau join together to put on a special concert benefitting the Alzheimer's Association of Hawai'i. Tickets: \$47.50-\$87.50. 7 p.m. hawaiiitheatre.com.

JUNE 21 • TAVANA

Hawai'i's favorite one man band, a powerhouse of music, Tavana returns to the Lounge at Island Sound Studios, the intimate Hawaii Kai favorite on the water. Tavana's shows tend to sell out, so grab those tickets soon if you're interested. \$40-\$55. 8:30 p.m. theloungeatlandsound.com.

JUNE 22-23 AN EVENING WITH OTTMAR LIEBERT



Ottmar Liebert's musical style is a mix of Spanish, Mexican and World elements, strong melodies tinged with a shade of melancholy, balanced with upbeat rhythms. Tickets: \$35-\$45. Two shows Sunday at 6:30 and 9 p.m., and 7 p.m. on Monday bluenotehawaii.com.

JUNE 24 CIGARS UNDER THE STARS

Enjoy a beautiful evening with cigars, spirit, live music, and light pupus as you sample a curated selection of handcrafted cigars by Fujioka's, carefully selected to complement the flavors of some of the finest spirits and Four Roses Bourbon. Discover the stories behind each bottles and mingle with fellow enthusiasts on the Koko Head Ocean Lawn at the Kahala Hotel. \$105. 6-9 p.m. kahalaresort.com/dining.

JUNE 27 LA MER'S CHATEAU CHEVAL BLANC DINNER

La Mer welcomes the Grands Vins of Château Cheval Blanc, St.-Émilion, along with its esteemed Cellar Master, Carole André. Guests will embark on an unforgettable journey through a meticulously curated menu paired with some of the most iconic vintages from Château Cheval Blanc, Cheval des Andes, and Château d'Yquem. Each dish will be harmoniously paired with exceptional wines as Ms. André guides attendees through an immersive tasting experience. 6:30 p.m. \$675. 518-2019.

JUNE 27 - 28 MAOLI 'LAST SIP OF SUMMER' TOUR



Hawai'i's own MAOLI returns for two shows at the Blaisdell Arena. Formed in 2007, with Glen Awong as frontman, Maoli have since performed across the U.S., New Zealand, Australia, and the South Pacific. Tickets \$49.50 to \$499.50. A limited number of VIP packages are available, which include a pre-show meet & greet with photo op, autographed collectible tour poster, exclusive VIP merchandise gift, commemorative pre-show VIP laminate pass, and more. 7:30 p.m. ticketmaster.com.

JUNE 27 - 29 HONOLULU RAINBOW FILM FESTIVAL

The Honolulu Rainbow Film Festival is one of the longest-running and most respected queer film festivals in the country. Celebrating its 36th

anniversary in 2025, the festival is especially well known as a bridge between Hawai'i and the Pacific, Asia, and the USA, and is a member of the Asia Pacific Queer Film Festival Alliance. Enjoy an unforgettable celebration of queer storytelling, culture and community. Doris Duke Theatre. See the film schedule at hrff.org.

JUNE 28 • HO'OLAULE'A O WAIMEA SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Waimea Valley is bringing back its annual Summer Concert Series. The three-part series kicks off with Kala'e Parish/Kalenakū, Amy Hanaiali'i, and Jerry Santos with Kamuela. Join Kimo Kahoano on the Main Lawn for an afternoon of Hawaiian mele and hula. 2 p.m. Tickets \$20-\$25. waimeavalley.net.

JUNE 28 • 25TH CLASSICAL JAPANESE DANCE GRAND RECITAL

Hanayagi Dancing Academy marks 78 years featuring traditional dance performances. Guest performers include 5th generation headmaster of the school of classical Japanese dance, Hanayagi Jusuke along with other guests from Japan. \$30. 12:30 p.m. hawaiiitheatre.com.

JUNE 29 • MINDY SMOKESTACK

Mindy Smokestack comes from Hamburg Germany with a powerful voice and healing energy cultivated through life's struggles and triumphs. Growing up singing in church instilled her passion for soul music. Mindy's vocal abilities create her eclectic sound blending Soul, Blues and modern Motown. 7 p.m. Tickets: \$25-\$35. bluenotehawaii.com.

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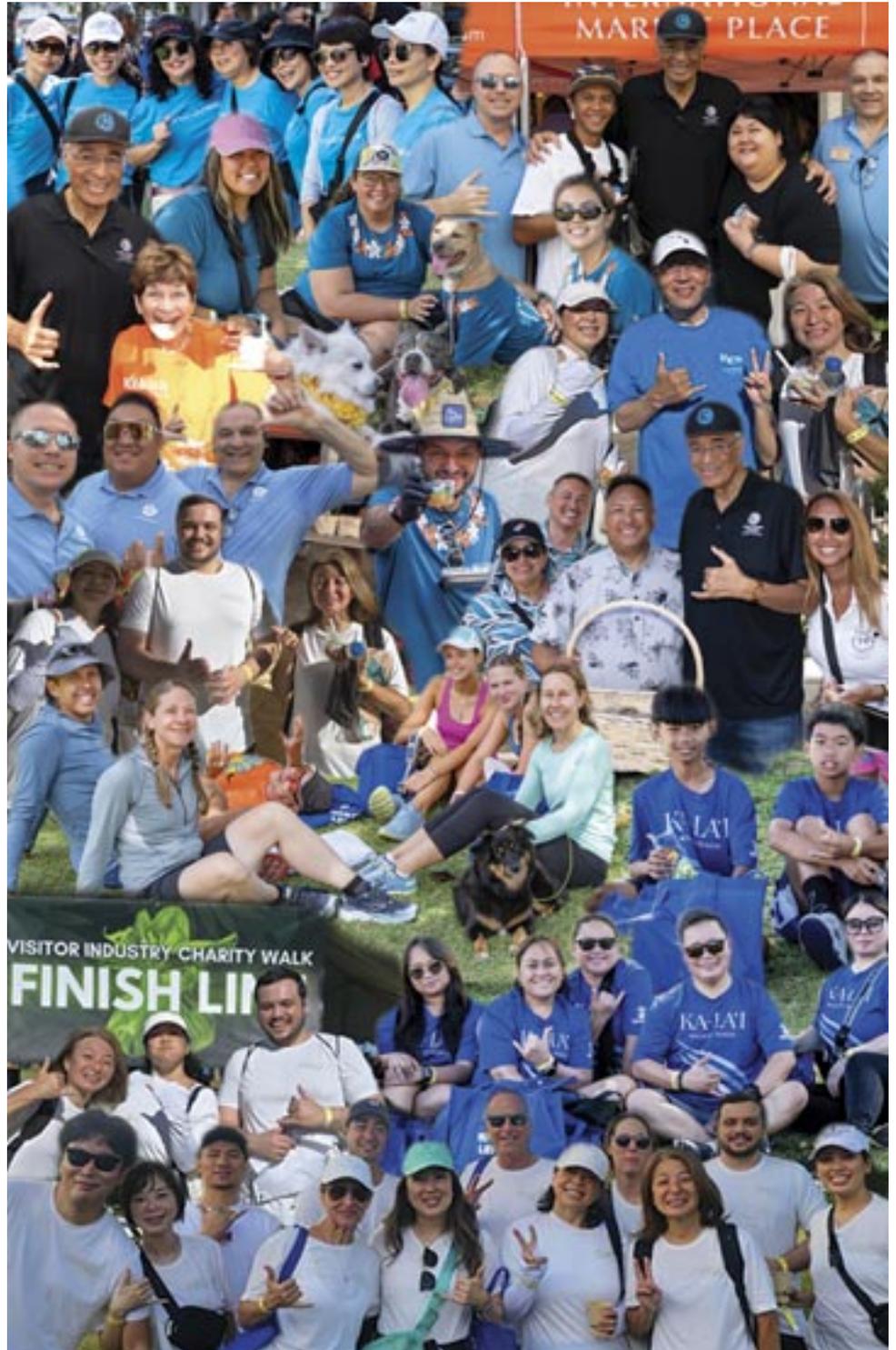
2025 Visitor Industry Charity Walk

This year's charity walk took place on May 3. The Hawai'i Lodging & Tourism Association makes a herculean effort each year to raise funds for local nonprofits. Nearly 3,000 walkers participated, joined by over 500 volunteers on O'ahu. The route had 16 checkpoints offering fun, food, and beverages. This year also introduced the brand-new ADA-friendly Laulima Loop with Access Surf.

Mufi Hannemann, President & CEO of the Hawai'i Lodging & Tourism Association, says, "For 46 years, the Visitor Industry Charity Walk has been our

largest fundraising event, supporting nonprofits that serve communities across our islands. Hawai'i's hospitality industry walks, participates, sponsors, and gives through this annual event—showcasing the true spirit of aloha in action. Mahalo to all who help us perpetuate this proud tradition of giving back."

Monies will continue to be collected throughout the end of the month before a final total will be announced. Additional support is encouraged to help out our local non-profits. To donate, please visit charitywalkhawaii.com.



That's Entertainment

HOTELS

ALA MOANA HOTEL 955-4811
 • **Fri** - Live Music & Hula 3-5pm *Lobby*
'ALOHI LANI RESORT 922-1233
 • **Daily** - Fish Feeding 10:30am & 2:30pm *O Bar*
 • **Daily** - Live Music 6:30-9:30pm *Swell Bar*
 • **Daily** - Light Monument Video Art Series 7-9pm *Swell Bar*
 • **SunWedSat** - Tank Talk 9am. *O Bar*

HALEKULANI 923-2311
 • **Daily** - Music & Hula 5-8pm *House Without a Key*
 • **Daily** - Live Jazz 8:30-10:30pm, *Lewers Lounge*
 • **TWThFS** - Afternoon Tea in the Veranda 2-5pm
 • **Sun** - Sunday brunch w/Noly Paa on piano 9:30am - 2pm
HILTON HAWAIIAN VILLAGE 949-4321

• **Fri** - Fireworks at 7:45pm
 • **Daily** - Live entertainment, Tapa Bar. 6:30-9:30pm
HILTON WAIKIKI BEACH 922-0811
 • **TWTh** - Live music at L.B.L.E. Lounge 6-9pm
HYATT REGENCY WAIKIKI 923-1234

• **MWed** - Farmer's Market from 4-8pm
 • **Mon-Fri** - Cultural Programs at the Ho'okela Culture Center
 • **TTh** - Walking Tour thru parts of Waikiki at 10am
 • **TTh** - Live Hawaiian music at Pualeilani Atrium, 4-6 pm
KAHALA HOTEL & RESORT 739-8888
 • **MTWThFSat** - Free Hawaiian activities at The Veranda, 10am
 • **ThFSat** - Live entertainment at The Veranda from 6-8pm.
 • **FriSat** - Afternoon Tea at The Veranda at 2pm & 3:30pm
 • **Sun** - Brunch at Hoku's w/Ginny Tiu on piano 10am-1:30pm
 • **Daily** - See the interactive dolphin programs every hour

KA LA'I WAIKIKI BEACH 683-7777
 • **FSSun** - Live music at Wai'olu Ocean Cuisine, 5:30-7:30pm
LUANA WAIKIKI HOTEL & SUITES 955-6000
 • **MWF** - Enjoy live music and hula on the Mezzanine 5-6pm
MOANA SURFRIDER 922-3111

• **Daily** - Live music at The Beach Bar, 4:30-6:30pm, 7-10pm
 • **WThFSSu** - David Swanson at Vintage 1901, 6:30-10pm
 • **SatSun** - Afternoon Tea at the Veranda, 11:30am-2:30pm
OUTRIGGER REEF WAIKIKI BEACH 923-3111
 • **Daily** - Live Hawaiian music at Kani Ka Pila Grille. 6-9pm
PRINCE WAIKIKI 956-1111

• **ThFSSu** - Live music at 100 Sails from 6-8pm
 • **Sat** - DJ KK poolside from 2-5pm, Sun from 2:30-5:30pm
SHERATON PRINCESS KA'IULANI 922-5811
 • **Daily** - Live music poolside 6-9pm. DJ from 3-6pm.
THE ROYAL HAWAIIAN 923-7311

• **Daily** - Live Hawaiian music at the Mai Tai Bar. 11am-2pm
 • **TWFSsu** - Live Hawaiian music at the Mai Tai Bar. 6-9pm
 • **MTh** - Live Hawaiian music at the Mai Tai Bar. 8-10pm
TURTLE BAY RESORT 293-6000

• **Daily** - Live music at The Pointe Pool Bar, 4-7pm
 • **Daily** - Live music at Off the Lip, 7pm
 • **Daily** - The Stable at Turtle Bay offers a variety of experiences
WAIKIKI BEACH MARRIOTT RESORT 922-6611
 • **Daily** - Live music, Queensbreak Restaurant 5:30-8:30pm
 • **Daily** - Live music in the Lobby 6-9pm

FARMERS MARKETS

WBW OPEN MARKET
 • **Mon** - Set up on the Plaza at Waikiki Beach Walk. 4-8pm.
HYATT REGENCY FARMERS MARKET 225-4002
 • **MonWed** - Hyatt Regency 1st floor waterfall atrium 4-8pm
HAWAII FARM BUREAU MARKET 848-2074
 • **Wed** - Set up on the Blaisdell Concert Hall Lawn 4-7pm.
HALE'IWA FARMERS MARKET 388-9696
 • **Thurs** - Located at Waimea Valley. 2-6pm
KCC FARMERS MARKET 848-2074
 • **Sat** - Kapiolani Community College 7:30-11am
KAKA'AKO FARMERS MARKET 388-9696
 • **Sat** - 919 Ala Moana Blvd & 210 Ward Avenue. 8am-12pm
PEARLRIDGE FARMERS MARKET 388-9696

• **Sat** - Pearlridge Mauka by Macy's. 8am-12pm
MALAMA MARKET 225-4002
 • **2ndSat** - Ala Moana Center Wing Level 2. 11am-4pm
ALOHA HOME MARKET 225-4002
 • **Sun** - Kailua 340 Uluniu Street 9-2pm
ALOHA MARKET AT WAIKIKI 735-4510
 • **Sun** - Jefferson Elementary 324 Kapahulu Ave. 8-2pm
KAILUA FARM BUREAU MARKET 848-2074
 • **Sun** - Kailua Town Center. 4-7pm
KAILUA TOWN FARMERS MARKET 388-9696
 • **Sun** - Enchanted Lake Center by Kailua Cinema. 8am-12pm

ATTRACTIONS

FOSTER BOTANICAL GARDEN 768-7135
 • **Daily** - Hawaii's oldest Botanical Garden in the midst of downtown open 9am - 4pm. \$5/\$1 keiki (kama'aina \$3)
 • **Daily** - Free docent-led tours at 10:30am. Reservations rec.
HONOLULU ZOO 926-3191
 • **Daily** - The Zoo is open from 10am - 4pm. Last Entry at 3pm. GA \$19 adult/\$11 keiki (kama'aina \$8/\$4).
 • **Sat** - Explore the Zoo after the gates close 5:30-7:30pm.

KILOHANA HULA SHOW
 • **MTW** - Free hula show 9:30 - 10:30am. Kuhio Hula Mound
KUHIO BEACH HULA SHOW 843-8002
 • **1st3rdTueSat** - Free show 6:30-7:30pm. Kuhio Hula Mound
THE RETURN OF KAPAEMAHU 629-9895
 • **Wed** - Free show 6:30 - 7:30pm. Kuhio Hula Mound
WAIKIKI AQUARIUM 923-9741
 • **Daily** - The Aquarium is open from 9am - 4:30pm. GA \$12 adult/\$5 kids (kama'aina \$8).
 • **1st3rdTue** - Hawaiian Plant Tour. 1:30pm. Free w/admission

MUSEUMS

BATTLESHIP MISSOURI MEMORIAL 455-1600
 • **Daily** - Relive stories of war, victory, and the road to peace onboard the "Mighty Mo." Join a guided tour in English, Japanese, Chinese, or Korean or explore the ship at your own pace. Digital tour maps in various languages are available. 8am-4pm. More info available online at ussmissouri.org.
BISHOP MUSEUM 847-3511
 • **Daily** - The 15-acre campus offers a chance to learn about the cultural and natural heritage of Hawai'i across three different exhibition buildings. Daily planetarium shows, a native Hawaiian botanical garden and more. 9am-5pm.
CAPITAL MODERN 586-0900
 • **Mon-Sat** - Formerly known as the Hawai'i State Art Museum. Admission is always free. Open 10am - 4pm.

• **1stFri** - Live entertainment and food vendors. 6-9pm
 • **3rdFri** - Fri. Night Tempo, live music & food vendors. 6-9pm
 • **Sun** - Museum Closed
HONOLULU FIRE MUSEUM 723-7167
 • **3rdSat** - Free one-hour guided tours through various exhibits with a firefighter recounting HFDs history the 3rd Saturday of every month. 9am - 2pm on the hour. 620 South Street. Reservations required. Book online: fire.honolulu.gov then hit the submit request button and click museum tours.
HAWAIIAN MISSION HOUSES 447-3910
 • **TW** - Docents lead tours through the oldest existing frame house in the Islands. 11am, 12pm, 1pm and 2pm.
 • **ThFSat** - 11am, 12pm, 1pm, 2pm and 3pm tours
 • **TWThFSa** - Gift shop open 10:30am - 4pm
HONOLULU MUSEUM OF ART 532-8726
 • **ThFSSu** - Tour & Talk Story 11am. Free with admission.
 • **ThFSSu** - Highlights tour 2pm. Free with admission.
 • **Fri** - HoMa Nights, open until 9pm. Free with admission.
 • **MonTues** - Museum Closed

IOLANI PALACE 522-0832
 • **TThS** - Audio tours available from 9am - 4pm
 • **WTh** - Docent-led tours available from 9am - 4pm
 • **EveryOtherWed** - He Mele Lahui Hawaii with Ku'uipo. 9am
 • **Fri** - Royal Hawaiian Band. Free. 12-1pm

• **SunMon** - Museum Closed
LUCORAL MUSEUM 778-8189
 • **Mon-Fri** - Free self-guided tours featuring gemstones, a one-of-a-kind dinosaur egg, and create your own jewelry. 10% off gift shop with mention of Oahu Concierge. 10am-5pm.
PEARL HARBOR AVIATION MUSEUM 441-1000
 • **Daily** - Vintage aircraft in battlefield hangars at Pearl Harbor, outdoor exhibits, flight simulators, and the Bob Hope: An American Treasure Exhibit. Shuttle & Tickets at USS Arizona Memorial Visitor Center or PearlHarborAviationMuseum.org.

SHOPPING CENTERS

ALA MOANA CENTER 955-9517
 • **Daily** - Hula Show, 5pm. *Centerstage*
 • **EveryOtherWed** - Royal Hawaiian Band. 11am.
 • **Sat** - Local entertainment, 3pm. *Centerstage*
 • **Sun** - Keiki Hula Show, 1pm. *Centerstage*
 • **Daily** - Pau Hana Music Series, 5:30pm. *'Ewa Wing Stage*
HALE'IWA STORE LOTS 203-5700
 • **Sat** - Live Hawaiian entertainment from 2-4pm

INTERNATIONAL MARKET PLACE 921-0536
 • **MWF** - Ceremonial sunset lighting of Lamaku Torch Tower
 • **MWF** - Sunset Stories Hula Show, 6:30pm. *Queens Court*
 • **1stTh** - Royal Hawaiian Band. Free. 12pm. *Queens Court*
 • **3rdTh** - Free Lei Making Workshop. 12pm. *Queens Court*
 • **4thSat** - Free Fitness. 9am. *Queens Court*
 • **1st3rdSu** - Free Fitness. 9am. *Queens Court*

ROYAL HAWAIIAN CENTER 922-2299
 • **Daily** - Heritage Room/Cultural Videos, *Helumo'a Hale*
 • **Mon** - Free Ukelele Lessons 11pm, *Helumo'a Hale*
 • **Tues** - Free Hula Lessons 11am, *Royal Grove*
 • **Wed** - Free Lauhala Weaving 11am, *Bldg A, Level 2*
 • **Thur** - Free Keiki Hula lessons 12pm, *Royal Grove*
 • **Fri** - Free Lei Making Class 12pm, *Bldg A, Level 2*
 • **Sat** - Hula Kahiko 5:30pm, *Royal Grove*
 • **TWThF** - Live Hawaiian Entertainment 5:30pm, *Royal Grove*
WAIKIKI BEACH WALK waikikibeachwalk.com
 • **Daily** - The Ukulele Store offers free lessons at 4:30pm
 • **Tues** - Ku Ha'aheo Hula Show. 4:30-6pm. *Plaza Stage*
 • **Sun** - Free hula lessons, 9-10am



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