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Duke's OceanFest

takes over Waikiki



Surfers give a big thumbs up in last years AccesSurf Hawaii Adaptive Surf Championship

Every August, Oahu's premier ocean sports festival take place throughout Waikiki to celebrate and pay tribute to the enduring legacy of Hawaii's legendary waterman, Duke Kahanamoku. Known and beloved as the state's greatest athlete, Kahanamoku (1890-1968) won six Olympic medals, including three gold medals in swimming, from 1912 to 1932, and is recognized as the "Father of International Surfing." Kahanamoku was the world's fastest swimmer in his prime, the single-most influential person in popularizing surfing worldwide, a champion paddler and steersman, and, he continues to be an inspiration to watermen and women today.

Duke's OceanFest first began as a one-day celebration that coincided with Duke's birthday (August 24, 1890) to celebrate the issuance of Duke's commemorative stamp back in 2002. Since then, the festival has grown, in large part thanks to all the support it has received over the years, and is now a nine-day event, filled with just about every type of sport close to Duke Kahanamoku's heart, including Surfing, Longboards, Paddleboard Racing, Swimming, Tandem Surfing, Surf Polo, Beach Volleyball, and Stand-Up Paddling. This fun fest, which celebrates Duke Kahanamoku's life, his athletic contributions, and his spirit that continues to live on, returns to Waikiki this month from August 18th – 26th.

Chris Colgate, co-chair of Duke's OceanFest (and the guy many of you might remember as

Duke's GM before he retired) says one of the things that make this annual festival so special is that through it, "we are paying tribute to one of the world's most renowned watermen, (Duke) and how he continues to inspire watermen and women around the world. Duke's OceanFest is committed to passing on Duke's love for the ocean and the aloha he shared with all people who came to Hawaii."

Duke's OceanFest also pays considerable attention to both the Wounded

Warrior Project and to AccesSurf, which holds the Hawaii Adaptive Surf Championships there each year, making sure to include both of these worthy associations. In addition, there are a ton of fun, silly, and entertaining contests on the waves that are a blast to either watch, and participate in. Surfing Dogs? They'll be there! The Going to the Dogs SurFUR ComPETition is always a fan favorite. Be sure to head down to Baby Queen's at Kuhio Beach on Thursday, August 23rd from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. to see some pretty cute dogs, often in costume, hit the waves and do their thing.



Dogs like to surf too!

Another fan favorite for competitors and beachgoers alike is the Red Bull Hawaiian Party Wave. For this event, competing teams are decked out in themed costumes, perform a skit on the beach,

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Made in Hawaii

FESTIVAL



Some of the many items at the Made in Hawaii Festival August 17 - 19. All pictures by Tina Mahina Photography.

From coffee to cookies, clothing, cosmetics and more, Hawaii produces some of the most unique products in the world due to geography and agricultural resources ranging from noni that goes into health tonics, to rare lehua honey harvested from bees who gather the nectar of ohia lehua trees that grow only on Hawaii island.

Many of those products will be on display when the 24th annual Made in Hawaii Festival takes place August 17 through 19. The event, produced by the Hawaii Food Industry Association, is one of the largest showcases for homegrown businesses. More than 400 vendors will be offering anything from jewelry to books, to food to housewares to surf gear and more.

With the arrival of medical marijuana dispensaries in Hawaii, there has also been a surge of interest in hemp oil products, and you can expect to find CBD oils and tonics available.

Expect a multi-sensory experience the minute you walk into the arena, with several aisles full of food samples to taste before buying. Edibles include exotic tropical fruit chutneys, homegrown

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Publisher's Letter New and improved seems to be the thing

They say necessity is the mother of invention, but I am beginning to think change is. As in, "let's change it and see what works and what doesn't." At least, I think that is how it works, because boy, is there a lot of "new" things going around right now. New hours, new prices, new tours, new technology, new buildings, you name it, apparently nothing we had going recently worked well enough because it seems every single thing I wrote about this month was "new." I guess now that summer is coming to an end here shortly, it's time to change things up going into the fall.

There also seems to a bunch of new you's out there, so, welcome! This industry is constantly expanding, and I've been seeing a lot of new faces lately. I hope to be able to meet most of you soon, and felt maybe it was time to do a brief introduction to the newbies out there. For one, let's talk about your monthly copy of the publication. At least once or twice a week, I get an email saying something to the extent of "Hey, I've been here for 'x' amount of time and you have never sent me a copy of The Oahu Concierge." Well, I can't do what I don't know. While I appreciate the vote of confidence that so many of you think I just automatically know everything that's happening out there, the fact is, unless yu actually tell me, I have no idea. I'm pretty connected and all, but I am not psychic! If you work in the front of the house and would like your own copy, I would love you to receive it, but you do need to let me know.

Now then, how to tell me? Via email please. Every address change I get goes straight into an online mailing list folder, and as soon as I ship the magazine off to press, I will go into that file and update the list. I only go into that file one day a month. If your request is not in that email folder, it won't get made. It's not that I am doing that to be difficult, it's just how it's end up working. By the time I get around to updating the mailing list, I'd be hard-pressed to remember a voicemail message from a few weeks ago. I also do not usually have the mailing list open, so getting me on the line to start rambling off address info also isn't a very pratical solution. Since nine times out of ten I am going to be working on something else at the time, and wouldn't be able to drop everything at a moment's notice to open up the file, the change would end up getting scribbled on a piece of paper and lost before it's time to update the list. This is what used to happen, so I had to implement a better structure to make sure everything is handled properly. Please remember there is only one of me, and several thousand of you, so these systems are imperative to be able to stay on top of everything. If you could be so kind, please always submit your changes in writing. Also, someone usually always tells me when someone arrives, but rarely do they ever tell me when someone leaves. If you see magazine hanging around the hotel addressed to people that no longer work there, please let me know so we can save a few trees.

Enjoy the last days of summer!



Farrah Truon

I would like to extend a big apology to Farrah Truong and Joy Tomita. Although I changed out Joy's picture to Farrah's last month, I forgot to update the caption below the pic from Joy's name, who had been in that puka the month before, to Farrah's. To be fair, I am running

Farrah's picture here again with her name underneath! Whoops! • Joining Farrah at The Ritz-Carlton Residences, Waikiki Beach is Katherine Gioia, who has been named Senior Sales Manager. She was most recently with the Ritz in Georgetown and Boston, but has also held positions at the Waikoloa Beach Marriott and the Ritz in Kapalua. • Naoko Abarca and Tomomi Sugino have joined the Japanese Guest Service Team at The Kahala Hotel & Resort and May Thai has joined the front desk. Joining the resort as Director of Sales is Sally Halm. • David Lukela, who has been the chef de cuisine at the beachhouse at the moana for the past several years has taken on the position of Executive Chef at the Alohilani Resort Waikiki Beach. In his new position, Chef David will be in charge of all F&B, including



David Lukela

banquets. • Cole Sugimoto has joined the team at the Waikiki Beach Marriott Resort & Spa as Front Desk Manager. He was most recently with Hyatt Place. • After 10 years with the Pacific Aviation Museum, Anne Murata left the Director of Marketing & Business Development position

to focus on her own marketing company. • The USS Missouri Memorial Association announces three new members to its Board of Directors. Joining the board are Doug Johnstone, Senior Vice President at The Howard Hughes Corporation; Judy Yuriko Lee, a partner at Goodsill; and Revell Newton, General Manager for the Outrigger Waikiki Beach Resort. • The Hawaii Tourism Association is also

changing up their board with the addition of David Arakawa, Executive Director, Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii, Micah Alameda, Marketing Manager of Na Leo TV, Kyoko Kimura, Director of Owner Relations for Aqua-Aston Hospitality, and Ben Rafter,



CEO of OLS Hotels & Resorts. • Robert McConnell, former GM of the Outrigger Waikiki has taken the helm of the Waikiki Yacht Club as GM. Joining him as F&B Manager is CJ Sword. • Anaha at Ward Village has hired Tatiana Cachola-Nemida and Ayumi Wong for the concierge team. Sonomi Espinoza has left the property to work for the Trump International Hotel Waikiki and Lisa Sapp is moving across the street to the Howard Hughes Corporation to work directly with Kawai Yamashiro. • Reiko Stiver has joined the concierge team at Waiea at Ward Village. She was most recently at the Waikiki Beachcomber by Outrigger. • Speaking of the Waikiki Beachcomber, we also want to wish Debbie Murakami a fond aloha. She retired last month after many years in the industry. • More aloha's to

go around, this time to Czarina Lam. Czarina recently left her position as the Director of Revenue for *OHANA Hotels & Resorts* to take a similar position in San Diego. We will miss them both and wish them the best of luck. • Last, but certainly not least, we have on last aloha to



Eki Locke

share, and sadly, this one is a forever one. Eki Locke, who was Director of Operations for *P.F. Chang's* for 13 years, and then took over as GM at Bill's Sydney passed away suddenly last month. He had just left his position in order to take some time for himself and travel the world a bit. His sudden death has rocked the restaurant industry and we are grieving with them. Aloha 'Oe Eki! ~ Pom

Great Waikiki Beer Festival

On August 18th the Hilton Hawaiian Village will play host to the 4th annual Great Waikiki Beer Festival on the Great Lawn.

This is a beer lovers dream, with over 100 seasonal, local and craft beers to select from. There will

be artisan brewers and some of the biggest names in beer, both in Hawaii and beyond, on hand for this beer-y celebration. You love beer but your other half doesn't? Not a problem, there will be a selection of signature cocktails to choose from as well. Wander through the event grazing on beer-friendly small plates, imbibing on cocktails and listening to live music from local artists Ilona Irvine, Forte and more from 6 - 9 p.m. A portion



of the proceeds will benefit The Wounded Warrior Ohana.

Tickets for the festival are \$75, and for that you will get entry into the event at 10 4-ounce tasting tickets. Food and additional beer tastings available for purchase and

parking is \$10 self-parking, \$15 valet.

For \$100, you can purchase a early entry ticket, which allows you to walk in at 4 p.m. The ticket also gives you 10 tastings, but also adds on one food ticket and complimentary self-parking for one car. Military members with valid ID can purchase tickets at a discounted price of \$60, and early entry tickets for \$85. For more information, go to hiltonhawaiianvillage.com/beer. ~ Pom

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NEW PEARL HARBOR TOURS AVAILABLE

Pacific Historic Parks and the National Park Service have partnered to bring two new tours that allows guests to engage with history through a new Deluxe Tour and a new Pearl Harbor Virtual Reality Center. The USS Arizona Memorial Deluxe Tour comes with a smart phone component, where visitors can access videos and archival materials, as well as gives access to the Virtual Reality Center. Regularly \$25, it is being offered at an introductory rate of \$12.50 through the end of 2019. The VR experience is \$4.95 and is offered daily. 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. PacificHistoricParks.org.

COAST GUARD GETS IN FREE AT PEARL HARBOR

In honor of the U.S. Coast Guard's birthday on August 4th, Pearl Harbor Historic Sites will waive the admission of all active duty and retired Coast Guard personnel and their families into the Battleship Missouri Memorial, Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor, and the USS Bowfin Submarine Museum and Park on August 4th and 5th. Just present a valid military ID at the ticket booth to enter. PearlHarborHistoricSites.org.

NEW HOURS AT PACIFIC AVIATION MUSEUM

The Pacific Aviation Museum changed their hours last month, reflecting a one-hour change from their former opening time of 8 a.m. The Museum is now open daily from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. They still close on Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day. PacificAviationMuseum.org.

NEW RATES AT 'IOLANI PALACE

Iolani Palace, the only official residence of royalty in the United States, introduced special kama'aina and military rates last month. The normal guided tour cost is \$27, but for those with valid ID, the rate is \$23; the audio tour will go from \$20 to \$16 and kids get in for \$6. iolanipalace.com.

ROYAL STAR UPGRADES FLEET AND FACILITY

Royal Star Hawaii opened a new bus maintenance facility as part of a the second phase of its \$35 million upgrade project. The four-acre site is also slated to be their future corporate headquarters. The company now has plans to add 20 brand new vehicles to its fleet, including six, 58-seat buses and a few luxury 6-seat SUVs as part of a \$9 million plan to expand and upgrade their fleet. The third and final phase is expected to be completed in 2020. Royal Star is operated by Stars of Paradise.

WAIKIKI NOW HAS LIVE WI-FI

Visitors and residents now have access to high-speed connectivity in Waikiki. Users can access the service by finding "Waikiki.com" on the list of available Wi-Fi networks on their device. The service is free for the first 30 minutes, then costs \$4.95 for the day and \$19.95 for the week. Plans are in place to expand coverage throughout Oahu and across the state soon.

KUALOA ADDS NEW TOURS

Kualoa Ranch has added two new tours to choose from as of August 15th. Take an in-depth, 3 hour "behind the scenes" tasting tour of their agricultural and livestock programs, followed by a 6-course meal from Kualoa-grown ingredients. \$149.95. The Mokoli'i Kayak Adventure will take guests out in tandem kayaks from the beach to Chinaman's Hat, to a mini-sand bar for a quick swim, before heading to "Secret Island". The tour moves downwind with the current, so it's constructed to be a comfortable paddle for most guests. \$129.95 for two hours, kualoa.com.

PCC LAUNCHES A BRAND NEW WATER SHOW

The Polynesian Cultural Center is launching a brand new water show. "Huki," will replace the current afternoon canoe pageant that has been performed for the past 16 years, Rainbows of Paradise. The new lagoon experience will feature a diverse variety of canoes, including those double-hulled canoes that carry drummers, dancers, singers and storytellers throughout the lagoon. Revamped seating and sound systems encourage guests to sing and dance throughout the show. This idea first started in 2011 and has been evolving since. Runs daily at 2:30 p.m. polynesia.com.

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According to meteorologists the last day of summer in the northern hemisphere is August 31. Of course, for our Oceania friends, it's February 28th or 29th if it's a leap year, but if they're here on Oahu, then it's summer for them too! And this

is pretty much the case when it comes to Honolulu's cultural and arts world. August is the end of summer, and, things are ending this month.

We know the dinosaurs ended their run 65 million years ago, but with the film "Jurassic World Lost Kingdom" grossing over \$1 billion dollars so far in the U.S., they are still around digitally as well in animatronic form here in Honolulu. If your guests missed the big Jurassic Tour exhibit last month at the Hawaii Convention Center, don't worry, all summer long BISHOP MUSEUM has been featuring special dinosaur programs and planetarium shows in *The Summer of the Dinosaur* to keep junior paleontologists occupied, which ends on September 3rd.

The main feature, *Exhibit Dinosaur*, is a family friendly experience that showcases the world of dinosaur hunters from the 19th and early 20th centuries. There's a special face-to-face encounter with an animatronic 15-foot walking adolescent Tyrannosaurus rex on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays from 10:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. on a first-come, first-serve basis. The encounter takes place in front of the Castle Building and Hawaiian Hall. The museum does warn that the experience may be scary for very small children.

The Dinosaur Prophecy Planetarium Show looks at the disappearance of individual species of dinosaurs that occurred prior to the mass extinction all those many years ago. Your guests and their kids 6 years and older will get to visits dinosaur graveyards, look at their bones and see how those creatures lived. There's a cold case component to the show that looks into four specific cases from the age of dinosaurs and hopefully your guest will be able to figure out "who done it!"

Now, if some are your guests are checking out early from your hotel, they could spend the night at the **BISHOP MUSEUM** on August 31st for the **DinoSNORES Family Sleepover**. Guests will get a more interactive experience with the dinosaurs in their jammies. They'll get to sleep next to dinosaurs and gaze up at the stars as these prehistoric creatures saw them. The night skies were different 65 million years ago.

Tickets are \$24.95, \$21.95 for seniors, and \$16.95 for kids 4-17. There are some added costs for the planetariums shows, so you may want to check their website at bishopmuseum.org before sending your guests on their quest.

If prehistoric creatures are not the ideal quest for your guests, and they're also not fans of the sun, may I suggest a visit to TAG: THE ACTORS' **GROUP** at Dole Cannery for its production of *The* Crusade of Connor Stephens which runs August 3rd to 26th at 7:30 p.m. Thursdays through Saturdays. The play, written by Dewey Moss (Death of the Persian Prince and Normal Life), deals with the aftermath of the mass shooting that kills the 6-yearold daughter of a gay Texas couple. The twist here is that the murdered girl was the granddaughter of a Baptist Mega-Church preacher whose young recruit Connor Stephens is inspired by the preacher's anti-homosexual rhetoric and subsequently commits the crime while taking his own life. The confrontation between the family members as they come to terms with this tragic event becomes an allegory for the national debate over religion, tolerance and hate. Clearly this is not a show of escapism. (If you want that, come see me in Waikiki's Rockn' Reception at the PK every Saturday night!. Shameless self-plug!)

The Crusade of Connor Stephens made its world premiere at The Midtown International Theater Festival, followed by a critically-acclaimed commercial Off- Broadway run at the Jerry Orbach Theater in 2017. Tickets are \$30, \$25 for seniors and \$20 for military. For more information call 722-6941 for visit taghawaii.net.

So, let's say the debate over religion is not top of mind for your guests from Sydney! What about sending them over to IOLANI PALACE on a late Wednesday afternoon to tour the Palace and stay after closing for one of the The Friends of 'Iolani Palace's Na Mo'olelo Lectures. The focuses of the lectures are Hawaiian history and culture as well as museum practices. On Wednesday, August 8th the topic is Before and After: Shangri La. I'm sure many of your guests visit Doris Duke's estate during their visit, and this discussion looks at modern conservation practices and illustrates what the house looked like before and after its restoration. The speaker will be Kent Severson, Conservator at Shangri La, Museum of Islamic Art. On Wednesday, August 22st, the lecture is entitled Na Kilo Ao Maiki: Observing the Microbial Realm (Doesn't that sound worthy of tequila shots?) Seriously though, it's a look at the smallest forms of life in the ahupua'a ecosystems and the role they play in shaping the functionality of our islands. Dr. Kiana Frank who discusses how our kupuna understood the presence of micro- organisms, even though they couldn't see them, leads the lecture. I know this might be too much for most of your guests, but you never know, you just might have a bioscience group in town that would love to attend. Each presentation is at 5 p.m. and takes place inside the Kanaina Building on the Palace Grounds, next to the Diamond Head side gate. Admission is free. IolaniPalace.org. ~ Lance Rae



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coffee, baked goods and Asia-Pacific spice blends. Friendly small business owners are often on hand to share their passion and answer any question about their products.

Those who time their visit right will be able to catch cooking demonstrations by some of the islands' top chefs. Among those showing off their skills in the arena will be Tiki Grill and Bar's executive chef Ronnie Nasuti at 6 p.m. August 17; Moana Surfrider executive sous chef Nolan West at noon August 18, followed by The Pig & The Lady's chef de cuisine Keaka Lee at 2 p.m.; and celebrity chef Sam Choy at 2 p.m. August 19.

And, just when you think you've seen everything, walking a few more steps across to the exhibition hall opens another world full of distinctive local color and artistry in street - and swim-wear, quilts, handbags, and more.

It's a great place for those who believe Christmas shopping starts in the summer. Favorite items include intention candles from Aloha Elixir, colorful graphic totes and tees by Ecolicious, luscious baked goods from the Hawaiian Pie Co., and hand-printed clutch purses by Jana Lam.

Those with green thumbs will find beautiful cacti and succulents from Once Again Hawaii, and pet lovers will find something for their furry friends from Hawai'i Doggie Bakery, Dog Mama and Tiki Pet Collars as well as entertainment by some of Hawaii's most popular music artists.

Among the who's who of local entertainers performing the Blaisdell's Pikake Room over the weekend are Melveen Leed, Jay Larrin and Jerry Santos singing between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. August 17; Kalani Pe'a at 10 a.m. and Kawika Kahiapo at 1 p.m. on August 18th before the Talent Search starts later that afternoon, comedian Frank DeLima performing at 11 a.m. August 19; with Josh Tatofi at 1 p.m. and Danny Couch performing at 3 p.m.

Another highlight will be the 10th annual Kani Ka Pila Grille Talent Search on Saturday, August 18th. Last year's winner E Nei will kick everything off at 3 p.m., and the 5 finalists take the stage from 4 p.m. - 8 p.m. This is an amazing chance to see the next big Hawaiian artist on the scene. The winner will get a weekly gig at Kani Ka Pila Grille in September. Most of the winners have gone on to receive Na Hoku Hanohano nominations afterwards, with the very first winner Kupaoa, taking home multiple Na Hoku's wins since then.

Due to the event's popularity with locals and visitors, the festival keeps growing every year, and this year will welcome not only old favorites, but more than 50 new exhibitors. Here is an island-by-island listing of those new additions:

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RKL RANCH: Offers beef jerky and beef sticks in several flavors, from the ranch's 100 percent grass-fed cattle.

MAUI

KANILEHUA ENTERPRISES: Its collection of handcrafted jewelry is made with lauhala woven from the leaves of the pandanus tree. These include silver and gold pieces. They also offer hatbands and other accessories made with feathers in the Hawaiian tradition.

KULEANA: Specializes in natural beauty oils and cleansers made with pure Hawaiian macadamia nut oil and other locally sourced Hawaiian oils.

KUMU SCRATCH: Shop for handmade leather handbags and home decor.

OAHU

BOA SUNGLASSES: Their fashionable sunglasses are handcrafted from solid wood, including acacia, purpleheart and ebony.



Artist and author Patrick Ching mans his own booth at last years event

DOG MAMA: Show your pet some love with organic homemade treats made with local meats, fish, fruits and vegetables, with no added preservatives.

MARR ARTWORKS: This husband-and-wife team is doing its part to save the planet by using found materials to create stunning wood and resin jewelry, wood signs made from reclaimed wood, and coasters made with beer and soda bottle carriers.



As always, the festival will be held at the Neal S. Blaisdell Exhibition Hall and Arena. Festival hours will be from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday Admission is

\$6. Look for \$1.00 off coupons at First Hawaiian Bank's Oahu branches starting in mid-August (while supplies last). More information is available at MadeInHawaiiFestival.com . ~ Nadine Kam

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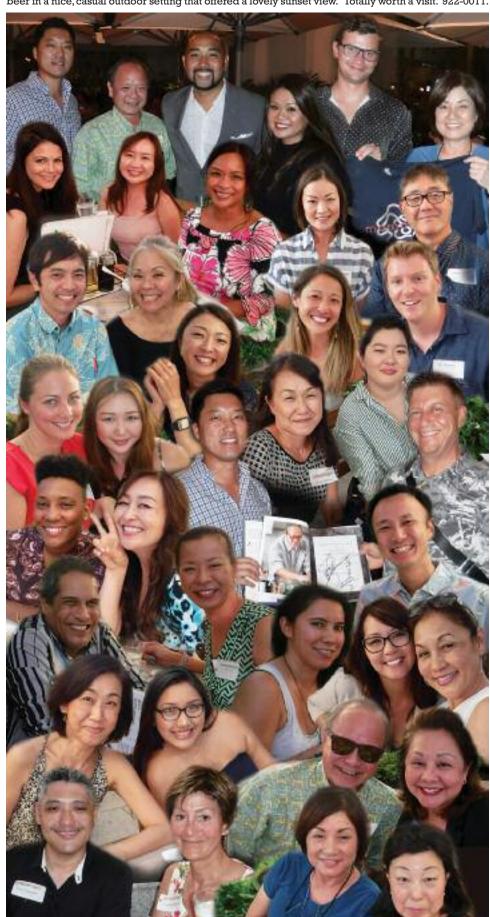






Iron Chef Morimoto recently opened two new restaurants at the Alohilani Resort and invited a handful of concierge to check it out. After a drink and tour upstairs at Morimoto Asia, guests were led down the stairs to Momosan Waikiki where a sampling of their from

grilled skewers to appetizers to their soup noodles were served alongside their signature frozen beer in a nice, casual outdoor setting that offered a lovely sunset view. Totally worth a visit. 922-0011.







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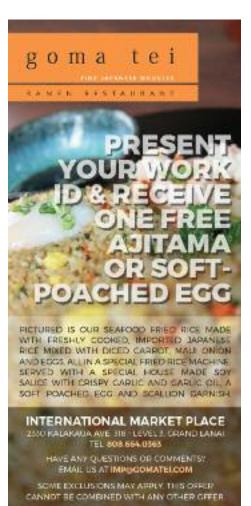
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and then paddle out together to collectively catch some waves. The costumes are inventive and contestants have to build their own vessel to ride the best wave they can as a group, often leading to some hilarious results on the waves. Tom and Jen Hinthaus have entered the competition three of the past five years the event has been held. Tom says, "It's a fun event that allows us to be creative and have a blast on the water. It's very competitive, and the people you meet are fun and like-minded. The Red Bull Team is fun to work with as well. They're very organized and host fun events in Waikiki leading up to the competition. That's where we get to meet folks from all over the world." Tom & Jen won the first year they entered with their Avatar theme, and came in 2nd last time as James Bond type. Teams take the event seriously. Tom says they start planning a year in advance, and start prepping about a month in advance. These guys take their costumes seriously, and are hoping to take their title back this year, so keep an eye out for Gilligan, the Professor and Mary Ann, as they put their Gilligan's Island theme to the test. They'll have some tough competition though, as Red Bull athlete and champion surfer Jamie O'Brien will be one of those competing as well. Check it out on Sunday, August 26th.



Crafts get pretty elaborate in the Red Bull Party Wave as showcased by Tom & Jen's Avatar theme a few years back

Locals and visitors alike will flock to the beach for the various competitions. The majestic bronze statue of Duke Kahanamoku stands in his honor, arms outstretched in greeting one and all and welcoming all who pass by, on their way to the waves or to enjoy any of the delights of the place he loved most. So it's logical that the majority of the events and exhibitions will take place in front of that statue on Queen's Surf unless otherwise noted. Make sure to look to the ocean playground that Duke once called home throughout the week to watch the fun unfold.

Duke's OceanFest

Schedule of Events

Please visit dukesoceanfest.com for updated information. Subject to change.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 18

Na Koa Wounded Warrior Canoe Regatta Ft. DeRussy Beach, 9 am - 3 pm

Matson Menehune Surf Fest Kuhio Beach - Queen's Surf, 8 am - 5 pm

Lei Draping and Opening Ceremony, Duke's Statue, 4:30 pm

SUNDAY, AUGUST 19

Matson Menehune Surf Fest Kuhio Beach - Queen's Surf, 8 am - 4 pm

Hawaii Adaptive Surf Championships Welcoming Ceremony, 5 - 7 pm

MONDAY, AUGUST 20

Hawaii Adaptive Surf Championships Kuhio Beach - Queen's Surf, 8 am - 5 pm

TUESDAY, AUGUST 21

Hawaii Adaptive Surf Championships Kuhio Beach - Queen's Surf, 8 am - 5 pm

Surfing with the Stars AccesSurf Fundraiser

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 22

Pacific Tandem Surfing Contest & Exhibition Kuhio Beach - Queen's Surf

Duke's Amateur Longboard Surf Classic Kuhio Beach - Queen's Surf, 8 am - 5 pm

Hawaii Adaptive Surf Championships Kuhio Beach - Queen's Surf

THURSDAY, AUGUST 23

Pacific Tandem Surfing Contest Kuhio Beach - Queen's Surf, 8 am - 5 pm Waikiki Movie Night on the Sand

Duke Kahanamoku: Hawai'i's Soul Duke Statue

Going to the Dogs SurFur ComPETition
Baby Queen's Surf, 11 am - 2 pm

ODKF Waterman's Hall of Fame Outrigger Canoe Club, 6 pm

FRIDAY, AUGUST 24

Duke Kahanamoku Birthday Lei Draping Duke's Statue, 7 am start

Legends Surf Classic

Kuhio Beach - Queen's Surf, 8 am - 5 pm

Waikiki Movie Night on the Sand Duke's Statue, 7 pm

SATURDAY, AUGUST 25

Duke's Waikiki Ocean Mile Swim fronting Outrigger Waikiki, 8 am - 11 am

Legends Surf Classic Kuhio Beach - Queen's Surf, 8 am - 5 pm

Junior Beach Volleyball Tournament Queen's Sand Volleyball Courts, 8 am - 3 pm

> Great Hawaiian Legends Luau Waikiki Aquarium, 6 - 9:30 pm

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26

Red Bull Hawaiian Party Wave Kuhio Beach - Queen's Surf, 8:30 am - 3 pm Duke Kahanamoku Surfboard WaterPolo Kapahulu Breakwall, 8:30 am - 3 pm

Adult Beach Volleyball Tournament Queen's Sand Volleyball Courts, 8 am - 3 pm



Chef's Corner

Chingu Hawaii Chef/Partner and Celebrity Chef Chris Oh

The California-based chef who first burst into the public eye after his food truck, Seoul Sausage, won The Great Food Truck Race, wanted to being a taste of LA's Koreatown to Hawaii. The menu reflects his twist on Korean classics. Self-described as a playful vibe along with serious eats, find items such as a bubbling bowl of cheese with Korean BBQ chicken, a giant BBQ-glazed Ahi collar and Bone Marrow with corn & cheese, alongside an extensive drink menu. Think watermelon soju you eat with a spoon topped with pop rocks and Fruity Pebbles.

What is your first childhood food memory?

Cooking leftovers after school for me and my brother and watching cartoons.

When did you decide you wanted to be a chef? When I was young always watching my mom make the best food in the world.

What was your first job in the industry? A bus boy at a sushi restaurant.

Who would you consider your mentor and why? My mom. Is there really an explanation needed? LOL!

You came to prominence in LA by winning the Great Food Truck Race Season 3. How did that help launch your career?

Winning the Great Food Truck Race definitely opened a lot of doors, but I think it was the hustle and hard work that really took it over the top.

Seoul Sausage had two locations and two food trucks. Is it still open?

Seoul Sausage still is going strong with locations in Los Angeles and Oxnard and the truck still rolls around! Los Angeles is still home base, but I make the commute to Hawaii every few weeks.

How would you describe your style of cooking? Easy like a Sunday morning.

What made you want to open a restaurant here? The incredible people along with the equally incredible weather.

How is Chingu doing? What're your hopes for it? Chingu is doing amazing! Our goal is just to keep promoting a piece of K-town Los Angeles to the good people of Hawaii and have a blast doing it.

Can you remember one of your first dishes that did not work?

Not one of my first, but definitely one of my latest. Li Hing Mui Fried Chicken. Let's just say it still needs a little work!

Favorite ingredient you like to work with. Why? No real favorites, but I always enjoy working with fresh or new things that I've never worked with. Gotta keep growing as a chef.

What ingredients are always in your fridge Korean red pepper paste, sriracha and tequila.

The Hawaii Food & Wine Festival is coming up. Are you participating in it?

Yes, I will be at Winederland at the Convention Center on Saturday night. Come see me!

What do you have planned for HFWF this year? Something with SPAM.

What do you like most about these food festivals? Catching up with a lot of my comrades and seeing what new and delicious things they are doing.

Favorite thing to do now that you live here? Actually do you live here now?

I live here part time, but when I am here, it's all about the beautiful hikes and delicious musubis!



Kimchi Fried Rice

Ingredients:

¼ kimchi sliced 2 tablespoons kimchi juice 1 teaspoon crushed garlic 1 oz butter

2 tablespoons sesame oil

2 tablespoons chopped scallions 1 pinch of salt nori strips for garnish

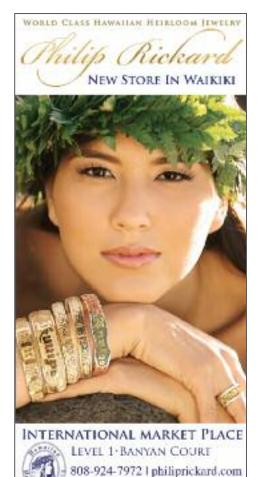
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3 cups white rice 1 fried egg

Preparation:

- 1. Place the butter into a hot pan until it's brown, then add the kimchi and garlic into the pan and cook for 3 minutes.
- 2. Once brown, add the rice, gochujang, sesame oil, kimchi juice and salt into the pan and mix throughly with kimchi.
- 3. Once mixed, place in bowl add the egg and garnish with furikake and nori strip and enjoy!

Chingu Hawaii is located at 1035 Kapiolani Boulevard in the former Cafe Maru locale
Hours: Open daily from 5 p.m. - 2:00 a.m. • Phone: 592-1035 • Email: info@chinguhawaii.com
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Barefoot Beach Café at Queen's Beach		924-2233
Live Contemporary Hawa	aiian	
Danny Galura	5:30-8:30pm	
Chart House Waikiki		941-6660
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Camarillo Brothers	6:30-9:30pm	
Cheesecake Factory		924-5001
Classic Hawaiian		
Christian Yrizarry Duo	8-11pm	
Duke's Canoe Club W	aikiki	922-2268
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Taz Vegas	4-6pm	
Ellsworth Simeona	9:30-12am	
Hard Rock Cafe		955-7383
Bluesy Monday		

9-11am 9-11pm Candy Bullets or others House Without a Key 923-2311 Live Hawaiian & Hula by Brooke Lee

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Eric Lee 7-9pm Kani Ka Pila Grille 924-4992 Hoku Award Winning Hawaiian musicians

Sean Naauao 6:30-9:30pm 922-0811 LBLE at the Hilton Waikiki Beach Hotel

Live Contemporary Acoustic Hits Sean Cleland 7-10pm

Lewers Lounge 923-2311

Live Contemporary & Light Jazz Tommy James 8:30-12am

926-5222 LuLu's Live Contemporary / Industry night 50% off

Jason Laeha 6-9 p.m Mahina & Sun's 923-8882

Kanikaplia Jam Poolside on the Lanai Kimo Opiana Jr. 7-9pm

923-7311 Mai Tai Bar at the Royal Hawaiian Live Contemporary Hawaiian with Hula Dancer

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Cheesecake Factory		924-5001
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Acoustic, Soul, R&B		
Haumea Warrington	4-6pm	
Ellsworth Simeona	9:30-12am	
Gordon Biersch		599-4877
Jazz Wednesdays		
Varying Artists	6:30-9:30pm	
Hard Rock Cafe	_	955-7383
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Chris Rego	5:30-8pm	
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Camarillo Brothers (8/11)	9:30	-12am
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DINING , ENTERTAINMENT , PAU HANA , EAT

, DRINK , BE MERRY , HAPPY HOUR

Johnny Helm (or others)	9-11am
Jive Nene (or others)	9-11pm
House Without a Key	923-2311
Live Hawaiian & Hula by	y Debbie Nakanelua
Pu'uhonua Trio	5:30 - 8:30pm

Hula Grill 923-HULA

Live Traditional Hawaiian with dancer Art Kalahiki Duo 7-9pm

Kani Ka Pila Grille 924-4992 Hoku Award Winning Hawaiian musicians Ei Nei 6-9pm

Brother Noland (8/5) 6-9pm Kelley O'Neil's

926-1777 Live Irish Music Various Celtic Bands 4-7pm

LBLE at the Hilton Waikiki Beach Hotel Live, Energetic Mix of Pop and Rock Hits 7-10pm

Kristi Masuhara 923-2311 Lewers Lounge

922-0811

Live Contemporary & Light Jazz

8:30pm - 12am Tommy James

LuLu's 926-5222 Acoustic R&B

Iason Laeha

6-9pm Mahina & Sun's 923-8882

Live Jazz on the Lanai

Jegaan Faye 7-9pm Mai Tai Bar at the Royal Hawaiian 923-7311

Live Contemporary Hawaiian with Hula Dancer Christian Yizarry 6:30-8:30pm 843-2739

Maui Brewing Company Live Contemporary Hawaiian

David Sedlak or Jenna K. 3:30-5:30pm Scott Magz & Brady K 9-11pm

Roy's Ko Olina 676-7697 Slack Key Guitar

Chris Rego 5:30-8pm

Rumfire 921-4600

Solo Contemporary Guitarist Johnny Kukui 5-8pm

949-3636 Signature Prime Steak Contemporary Pianist in the bar

Isao Motomochi 6-9pm

Sky Waikiki 979-7590

Live Contemporary

Da Push-O-Verse 6-9pm

The Edge at the Sheraton 922-4422 Hawaiian Music with conch/torch ceremony at 6 p.m. Eric Lee Duo

6:30-9:30pm 924-7333 The Reef Bar at the Outrigger Reef Live Hawaiian & Jazz during happy hour

Danny Carvalho 3-5pm 923-TIKI Tiki's Grill & Bar

Live Contemporary Hawaiian

Kapu the Band 2:30 - 5:30pm Vaihi 6-8pm

Ellsworth & Piko 9-11pm

923-8785 Tommy Bahama Restaurant

Live Contemporary Hawaiian Johnny Helm 6-9pm

949-4321 Tropics Bar & Grill Live Contemporary Rock & Hawaiian

Mike Piranha 5:30 - 8:30pm 275-0063 Uncle's Fish Market & Grill

Live Slack Key

Jeff Peterson 5:30-8:30pm



Here's a few numbers for you to find out the latest in live music from places that change daily or don't update us regularly, since we can't possible list them all.

Anna O'Brien's	946-5190
Cheesecake Factory Kapolei	670-2666
Gordon Biersch	599-4877
Irish Rose Saloon	947-3414
Kelley O'Neil's	926-1777
Lucky Strike Honolulu	664-1140
Mai Tai Bar Ala Moana	947-2900
Moose McGillycuddy's	923-0751

Dining Dish

The Royal Hawaiian has introduced The Bar at **Azure.** The renovated bar features an expanded seating area and an all-new cocktail menu that pays homage to the hotel's exceptional history through craft cocktails and private-label spirits. Creating those cocktails will be an all-star veteran mixologist team,



including Robert 'Sully' Sullivan. Ryan Tanji and Alicia Yamachika. The bar will be open nightly through 10:30 p.m. 921-4600. •

If you haven't gotten down to **Bread + Butter** to check out their Pac-Man Cafe Pop Up, they extended one more month. The special Pac-Man menu, merchandise and the game itself has been such a hit, it will stay open until August 31st. There will be weekly Instagram selfie contests with prizes, and every Pac-Man item sold will entitle guests to a raffle ticket, where the winner will get a trip for two to Japan! The lucky ticket will be drawn on August 31st and will be announced via social media. alohabreadbutter.com. • Congratulations to BASALT at Duke's Lane who just celebrated their 1st anniversary. Executive Chef Keith Kong is marking the occasion by adding some new items to the menu, including putting prime rib on their dinner menu which has been met with rave reviews. Other new menu items include a Pork Ragout Pappardelle, Macadamia Nut Monchong, and a creative twist on Empanadas filled with rotisserie duck, aged goat cheese, brandied cherries and pickled jalapeño with an avocado lime crema. Open from 7 a.m. - 10:30 p.m. 923-5689. • Goma Tei Ramen has brought in a special machine engineered and designed exclusively for to make their soup noodles. The machines were built in Sanuki, Japan and can mix flour and cut noodles to their exact specifications. The new noodles will be made in-house daily, and incorporate a special flour shipped from Kagawa, Japan and specifically formulated for the restaurant to achieve a unique texture and smoothness. gomatei.com. • Blue Note Hawaii has made a few changes to their menu in order to add more local fare while still paying homage to their New York Jazz

roots. The Crab Cake and Blackened Ahi starters have been revamped, and they have added new entrees such as the Spicy Green Papaya Salad, Unagi Salmon, and Cajun Shrimp Skewers. bluenotehawaii.com. • The folks behind Burgers and Things have opened a new location. Burgers on **Bishop** is located at Topa Towers underneath Bar Leather Apron, and this place looks good enough to make a special trip too even if you don't go downtown much. The official description reads that it will bring "Chef Troy Sakoda's interpretation of popular dishes, including grab-and-go breakfast options, sandwiches and salads at lunch, a Friday pau hana menu as well as--you guessed it--burgers." However, upon further inspection of the menu, aside from a pretty good looking burger and sandwich menu, that Friday Pau Hana menu has some pretty mouth-watering items on it, such as Prime Rib with truffle mash, a Crab Bucket, a Seafood Duet with porcini crusted snapper, pan seared scallops and corn pudding and Braised Short Ribs in a port reduction sauce over creamy polenta. BYOB. Open Monday -Thursday from 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. and until 8 p.m. on Fridays. 586-2000. burgersonbishop.com. • Sad to report that **Yauachta** will be closing their doors at the end of August. That gives you a few more weeks to stop by to get your fill of a few of your faves. I know I've got to stop by for one last taste of their hand-pulled noodles, crispy duck, a Nashi Momo and that smoky Elemental Old Fashioned. I hope they decide to re-open in Honolulu one day. ~ Pam



Dining

August 2: The 3rd Annual Traveling Plate, a grazing event for Easterseals Hawaii comes to Herringbone. 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. \$75. \$125 VIP. TravelingPlateHI.com

August 8: A Collaboration Dinner with Sheldon Simeon The Top Chef alum joins forces with Keith Kong at BASALT for a special 5-course dinner with pairings. 6 p.m. \$125. 923-5689.

August 10: BLT Market Wine over Waikiki features wine, bites and fireworks. Tastes wines from the Old World to the new World and talk about them with experts. 6:30-8:30 p.m. \$65 includes wine and pupu pairings. winesoverwaikiki.brownpapertickets.com.

August 18: Mason Jar Salads, the 3rd installation of cooking demos from INspiration Interiors and Down to Earth, Kapolei Commons. Learn tips & tricks for those prep-ahead, stay fresh all week, salads and inspire your creativity with demos and discussions. Free to the first 30 RSVPs via email to jcolgan@hdchawaii.com.11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. 237-5480.

August 25: Wine on the Waterfront, Harbor Restaurant at Pier 38 is hosting a food & wine event featuring over 10 food stations and more than a dozen fine wines. \$75. 5 - 8 p.m. hnltix.com.

Wednesdays: Wine & Dine Wednesdays Stop by the Veranda every Wednesday from 6-9 pm for a 3course meal with paired wines for \$65++. Each additional glass of wine for \$12. kahalaresort.com.

AUGUST CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Continuing Events

MONDAY – FRIDAY LYON ARBORETUM TOURS

The lush gardens at the top of the UH Manoa are open for guided tours daily. Knowledgeable guides will introduce the highlights of all 193.6 acres of botanical rainforest. Reservations required. 12 participants max. Donations accepted. 988-0461.

MONDAY-FRIDAY FOSTER BOTANICAL GARDENS

Guided garden tours of rare and beautiful plants from tropical regions throughout the world. Foster Botanical Gardens, 50 N. Vineyard. 1 p.m. Adults: \$5. Reservations recommended. 522-7066.

TUESDAYS TOURS OF THE HAWAII THEATRE

Get a behind-the-scenes tour of this historic theatre including history, architecture, and a performance on the 1922 Robert Morton theatre organ. Hawaii Theatre. 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. \$10. 528-0506.

TUESDAYS • KU HA'AHEO

An afternoon of music and hula led by kumu hula Blaine Kamalani Kia. Waikiki Beach Walk, Plaza Lawn. 4:30–6 p.m. waikikibeachwalk.com. FREE.

TUESDAYS • KCC FARMERS MARKET

The Saturday Market is so popular they added another day. Head up to Kapiolani Community College to stock up on fresh, island produce, seafood, flowers and more, from several dozen vendors. 4-7 p.m. Free. 848-2074.

TUESDAYS

INDOOR YARD SALE & FARMER'S MARKET

Weekly yard sale offers vendors from Hawaii Kai to Waikiki along with plenty of local food and fresh produce. Waikiki Community Center. 310 Paoakalani Avenue. 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. Free admission. 923-1802. waikikicommunitycenter.org.

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS FRESH FARMERS MARKET AT THE HYATT

The Hyatt's Farmers Market is offered twice a week. A great place for visitors and locals to stock up on fresh local organic fruits, vegetables, jams, honeys, baked goods and more. The market is spread out throughout the ground floor of the Pualeilani Atrium Shops. 4 – 8 p.m. waikiki.hyatt.com.

TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS & SUNDAYS TOUR & TEA AT THE HONOLULU ACADEMY OF ARTS

Tours are led by volunteer docents and designed for visitors, who would like to explore the galleries, learn more about art and culture, and socialize over a cup of tea. Docents lead discussions in the galleries and offer insight into many cultures and time periods. $2.30-4\,$ p.m. in selected galleries. Free with admission. Reservations required. 532-8700.

TUESDAY – SATURDAY HAWAIIAN MISSION HOUSES GUIDED TOURS

Visit the Print Shop, coral block Chamberlain House, and 1821 Mission House and learn about the 19th century history and culture preserved at this historic site. Docent-led tours of the historic houses begin on the hour, every hour from 11 a.m. for \$8 - \$10. No charge for the self-guided tour of the grounds. Hawaiian Mission Houses. Tues. - Sat. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. 447-3910 or missionhouses.org.

THIRD WEDNESDAY (AUGUST 15) KONA NUI NIGHTS

Kona Nui Nights honors and highlights Hawaiian

language and music, as well as the art of hula on the third Wednesday of every month with food and drinks for sale. Free. Ward Village Information Center Courtyard. 6-8 p.m. wardvillageshops.com.

SECOND THURSDAY (AUGUST 9) COURTYARD CINEMA

Ward Village hosts its monthly film series event, Courtyard Cinema, on the 2nd Thursday of each month. The showing features free popcorn, refreshments, food vendors and entertainment. Courtyard Cinema is free and open to the public. Seating is limited. Reserve your tickets at wardvillagecourtyardcinema.com.

THURSDAYS • COURTYARD YOGA

Take a complimentary yoga class with CorePower Yoga at the Ward Village Information Center Courtyard. Open to the first 50 in attendance. All experience levels welcome. 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. For more information visit wardvillageshops.com/yoga.

THIRD THURSDAY (AUGUST 16) DOWNTOWN GALLERY WALK & CRAFT FAIR

The Arts at Marks Garage continues to build on downtown activities offering an excuse to hang out after work and giving everyone else a reason to head downtown. Free, 521-2903, artsatmarks.com.

FRIDAYS • CULTURAL CRAFT FAIR

The Hyatt's had so much success with their Farmers Market that they are applying the same principle to local craft items. The craft fair features local vendors featuring arts & crafts, jewelry, photography, woodwork and more. 3 - 7 p.m. waikiki.hyatt.com.

FIRST FRIDAY (AUGUST 3) DOWNTOWN GALLERY WALK & CRAFT FAIR

Art lovers should head to downtown Honolulu the first Friday of each month. This event has exploded into a downtown party with galleries and studios open for exhibitions, artist demonstrations, and special performances. 23 galleries and art-related retail shops, restaurants and museums participate. Downtown Honolulu/Chinatown. 6-9 p.m. Free. 521-2903 or artsatmarks.com.

FIRST FRIDAY (AUGUST 3) FREE MOVIE NIGHT ON THE LAWN

PCC continues its love for families by offering a family-friendly movie the first Friday of the month to enjoy on the lawn under the stars at Hukilau Marketplace. This month watch "Sherlock Gnomes" at 7:30 p.m. Admission and parking are free. HukilauMarketplace.com.

FINAL FRIDAY • ART AFTER DARK

Art After Dark is back with one of the hippest events all month. Celebrate pride this month with a special event featuring performers from Scarlet Lounge.. Food provided by EAT Honolulu. 6-9 p.m. artafterdark.org.

SATURDAYS • KCC FARMERS MARKET

Fresh island produce, seafood, flowers and more are available from over two-dozen vendors at Kapiolani Community College. Free. 7:30 - 11 a.m. 848-2074.

SATURDAYS PEARLRIDGE FARMERS MARKET

Over 40 vendors offering locally grown fruits and vegetables, plants and freshly made treats. A popup cafe offering seating and live music round out the day. Free. 8 a.m. - noon. PearlridgeOnline.com.

SATURDAYS • KAKAʻAKO FARMERS MARKET

The Kaka'ako Farmer's Market hosts an abundance of treats from around our islands. Located next to Ross Dress for Less at Ward Gateway Center. Free. 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. wardvillage.com.

SECOND SATURDAY (AUGUST 11) DOWNTOWN GALLERY WALK & CRAFT FAIR

First Friday has become such a success that events carry over to the second Saturday. HiSAM, 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. 586-9958. Other events around downtown Honolulu all afternoon including slam poetry and open mic events at The Arts at Marks from 3 -5 p.m. Free. 521-2903 or artsatmarks.com.

SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS ART ON THE ZOO FENCE

More than 35 local artists display their works on the Zoo fence on Monsarrat Avenue opposite the Kapiolani Park Bandstand. Works for sale include original paintings, prints and photographs. 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Free. artonthezoofence.com.

FIRST SUNDAY (AUGUST 5) LEI-MAKING CLASS WITH MELEANA ESTES

Bringing back the practice of lei-making, the International Market Place offers a monthly lei-making workshop, with contemporary lei artist Melana Estes every first Sunday of the month from 11am - 2pm in Queen's Court. Free will supplies last. shopinternationalmarketplace.com.

SECOND SUNDAY (AUGUST 12) FREE ADMISSION TO IOLANI PALACE

On the second Sunday of each month, Iolani Palace opens its doors to kama'aina guests to visit the historic landmark for free. iolanipalace.org.

THIRD SUNDAY (AUGUST 19) NA MELE NO NA PUA SUNDAY CONCERT

Waikiki Beach Walk presents the Makaha Sons at the Plaza Stage from 5 – 6 p.m. for their free Sunday Concert Series. waikikibeachwalk.com.

THIRD SUNDAY (AUGUST 19) BANK OF HAWAII FREE SUNDAY

The Honolulu Museum of Art opens its doors to the public free of charge on the third Sunday of every month thanks to Bank of Hawaii. Plenty of activities for all to enjoy. 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Free. 532-8700.

AUGUST 1 JOHNNY HELM AT THE ZOO

This weeks Wildest Show in Town at the Honolulu Zoo will feature John Helm. Kids can enjoy the Keiki Coloring Contests, animal themed trivia and prizes, and ukulele will be given to a child 12 and under each week. Plate lunches and snack foods available for purchase. \$5. Gates open at 4:35 p.m. Music starts at 6 p.m. No alcohol or high-back chairs allowed. HonoluluZoo.org.

AUGUST 2 ANDERSON .PAAK & THE FREE NATIONALS

The rapper, songwriter, drummer, singer and record producer began producing music from his bedroom as a teenager, and released his debut album in 2012. He received the a Soul Train Music Award in 2016 and was nominated for two Grammy's in 2017. The Republik. 8 p.m. Tickets: \$45. \$5 increase day of show. jointherepublik.com.

AUGUST 1-5 • HAWAIIAN INVITATIONAL WATER POLO TOURNAMENT

This is the oldest annual international water polo tournament in the world, annually attracting as many as 115 teams from around the world. Bracket games will be held at UH, Punahou, Iolani and Kamehameha School Pools. hawaiiwaterpolo.com.

AUGUST 3 • HALSEY

Grammy-Award-nominated, multi-platinum singer Halsey, whose recent new single "Alone" with Big Sean

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and Stefflon Don surpassed over one million streams in three days. Tickets: \$35 - \$69.50. 8 p.m. Blaisdell Arena. ticketmaster.com.

AUGUST 3 • ILIZA SHLESINGER



Iliza Shlesinger, the winner of NBC's Last Comic Standing in 2008 and one of today's leading comedians, will perform two shows at The Republik. 5 p.m. and 8 p.m. Tickets: \$29.50 - \$104.50. \$5.50 increase day of show jointherepublik.com.

AUGUST 3 - 5 THE SLEEPING BEAUTY

Ballet Hawaii has partnered with the Kansas City Ballet to bring you Tchaikovsky timeless classic, one of the oldest full length ballet stories that was first performed in 1890, with costumes and scenery from the Cincinnati Ballet and dancers from five different troupes across the country including our own. Friday, 6:30 p.m., Saturday 4 p.m. and Sunday 2 p.m. Tickets: \$40-\$55. \$65 for a three-day pass. Blaisdell Concert Hall. ticketmaster.com.

AUGUST 3 – 5 COMIC CON HONOLULU

Comic Con. There are people that wait all year to hear those two words. Comic Con offers a wide variety of fan panels, industry guests, activities, video games, table-top games and autograph opportunities. This years guests include Kelly Hu, Jason Isaacs (Harry Potter, the new Star Trek), Lennie James (Walking Dead) Ka, tie Cassidy (Arrow) and Roy Thomas from Marvel. Get your fandom on during this 3-day convention, costumes welcome. Three-day memberships available online for \$65, day passes \$40 or \$55. comicconhonolulu.com.

AUGUST 3 – 5 THE PACIFIC INK & ART EXPO 2018

Some of the world's best tattoo artists, piercers and painting artists are in town for the 7th annual event showcasing Pacific Islander culture and traditions. Artists of all styles and cultural backgrounds travel from all over the world to share and learn from each other in a weekend of art and culture. Special guests include alt-model Masuimi Max, TV stars Megan Massacre of NY Ink, Justin Coppolino of Tattoos After Dark, Nikki Simpson of Ink Master Angels, Big Gus of Tattoo Nightmares, and Nikko Hurtado of LA Ink as well as several local and Asian cultural practitioners. Blaisdell Exposition Hall. Ticket: \$25, or \$66 for all three days. Fri. 2 – 11 p.m., Sat. 11 a.m. – 11 p.m. Sun. 12 – 6 p.m. hawaiitattooexpo.com.

AUGUST 4 NA MOKU EHA MELE O MAUI

The Asing Ohana will be performing at the next installment of Na Moku Eha Mele, Mele o Maui. A concert laden with stories and lore, songs, hula, and chant, from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m., \$30 each in advance, or \$35 at door. missionhouses.org. The event has been rescheduled from its original July 28th date.

AUGUST 4 • OBON FESTIVAL AND BYODO TEMPLE 50TH ANNIVERSARY

This year, Valley of the Temples Memorial Park is honored to host a one-of-a-kind event in celebration of both Obon and the 50th anniversary of the Byodo-In Temple, which was built to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the first Japanese immigrants to Hawaii. 4 – 9 p.m. Byodo-In Temple 47-200 Kahekili Highway. 762-1914.

AUGUST 5 • ALII SUNDAY

Kawaiahao Church celebrates the birthday of selected Hawaiian Royalty who were of particular importance for the Church by holding special Sunday services in their honor. Today they honor Kamehameha 'Ekolu. $9-10~\rm a.m.~469-3000.$

AUGUST 8 A TRIBUTE TO LEGENDARY JAZZ VOCALIST, JIMMY BORGES AT THE ZOO

This weeks' Wildest Show in Town will showcase Noel Okimoto and The Jazz All Stars in a special tribute to Jimmy Borges. Kids can enjoy Keiki Coloring Contests, animal themed trivia and prizes, and ukulele will be given to a child 12 and under each week. Plate lunches and snack foods available for purchase. \$5. Gates open at 4:35 p.m. Music starts at 6 p.m. No alcohol or high-back chairs allowed. HonoluluZoo.org.

AUGUST 9 – 19 HONOLULU RAINBOW FILM FESTIVAL

The 29th annual Rainbow Film Festival is one of the longest-running LGBT film festivals in the country. This year, the Festival will showcase fifteen films as well as special events, parties and exclusive appearances over the span of two consecutive weekends. Special guests include: Sharon Bell, Winny Clarke, Marem Hassler, Jackie Monahan, and Madeleine Olnek. Doris Duke Theatre. See a complete schedule at hglcf.org.

AUGUST 9 KALANI PE'A, NATALIE AI KAMAU'U, AND KEAUHOU AT THE AQUARIUM

Ke Nani O Ke Kai presents their final 2018

performance. Hear Kalani Pe'a, Natalie Ai Kamau'u, and Keauhou. Food and drink available for purchase. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., concert begins at 7 p.m. Tickets \$50, \$20 for kids 5-12. waikikiaquarium.org

AUGUST 10 HAWAIIAN SLACK KEY GUITAR JAM

Check out some of the performers scheduled to perform at the Slack Key Festival on Saturday from 5 - 9 p.m. at Kani Ka Pila Grille.

AUGUST 10 – 11 HOME BUILDING & REMODELING SHOW

Looking for ideas? Learn how to budget, design, plan and build projects, talk to exhibitors and attend seminars at the BIA New Summer Home Building & Remodeling Show. \$7., \$3-day pass \$10. Fri. 5 – 9 p.m.; Sat. 9:30 a.m. – 8:30 p.m.; Sun. 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. biahawaii.org.

AUGUST 11 HOME FREE IN CONCERT

The all-vocal country sensation is bringing Nashville country standards and country-dipped pop hits to town. The 5-man band has become known for their show-stopping performances that mix their signature no-instrument, all-vocal music with their quick-witted humor. Tickets: \$29.50 - \$299.50. 7:30 p.m. Blaisdell Calendar. ticketmaster.com.

AUGUST 11 MELE & HULA AT LANIKUHONUA

Spend an evening with some of Hawaii's top musicians and hula legends at the 8th annual Mele & Hula at Lanikuhonua summer concert. See Kimié

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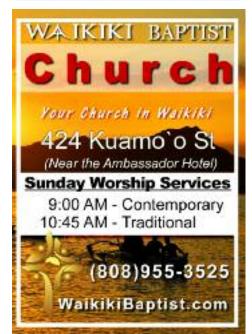
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the brilliant ox

The gastropub in the former Pearl Ultra Lounge space at Ala Moana actually opened at the

beginning of the year, but they waited to work out all the kinks and fine-tune their service before inviting you all in, and their patience paid off in droves. The Brilliant Ox knocked their event out of the park! The food, the drinks, the service - everything was on point (that shrimp toast!). They had plenty of door prizes as well, including a round trip to Vegas! brilliantox.com.



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Miner, Weldon Kekauoha and Pa'ahana, as well as performances from several top halau. Food and beverage available for purchase. 4:30 – 9 p.m. \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door. Lanikuhonua Cultural Institute. eventbrite.com.

AUGUST 11 HAWAIIAN SLACK KEY GUITAR FESTIVAL

Spend an afternoon enjoying over a dozen slack key guitarists performing for 6 solid hours. Musicians include Brother Noland, Nathan Aweau, Ho'okena, and more. This year the event has moved to the Waikiki Aquarium. \$5 donation. Noon – 6 p.m. Free.

AUGUST 12 KINGDOM HEARTS WORLD TOUR

Disney brings back the official KINGDOM HEARTS video game concert series presented by a world-class quality orchestral performance. Tickets: \$49-\$169. 8 p.m. Blaisdell Concert Hall. ticketmaster.com.

AUGUST 16 MAX IN CONCERT

This New York City born pop-soul singer, actor & dancer is known for his powerful acrobatic tenor which commands attention. His devoted fanbase and original voice have given him an incredibly strong social media presence with over 1.2 million followers on YouTube, 400,000 followers on Twitter and over 940,000 likes on Facebook. Tickets \$30, \$5 increase day of show. The Republik. 8 p.m. bampproject.com.

AUGUST 15 • JON YAMASATO AND IRON MANGO AT THE ZOO

This year's Wildest Show in Town summer concert series closes out with this final performance from Jon Yamasato and Iron Mango. \$5. Gates open at 4:35 p.m. Music starts at 6 p.m. No alcohol or high-back chairs allowed. HonoluluZoo.org.

AUGUST 17 PICNIC ON THE PIER

Apparently this is the last of these for the season, although we have never heard about it before, but apparently the USS Missouri has been putting on a heck of a party for families. Kids of all ages can play Giant Jengas, Giant TicTacToe, Giant Checkers, and Sandbag Toss while listening to music from Simple Souls or touring the Mighty Mo. There will be food trucks on location or you can bring your own, but certain items like glass bottles are prohibited. \$10 in advance, \$15 at the door. 5:30 - 8 p.m. ussmissouri.org/picnic.

AUGUST 17 – 19 MADE IN HAWAII FESTIVAL

Three days showcasing nothing but "Made in Hawaii" products, including food, books, art, gifts, fashions, plants, crafts, produce and more that's a must for most locals and visitors alike. Aside from plenty of samples, there will also be cooking demonstrations and ongoing entertainment. Blaisdell Exhibition Hall \$6. 10 a.m. – 9 p.m.; until 5 p.m. on Sun. madeinhawaiifestival.com.

AUGUST 18 – 26 • DUKE'S OCEANFEST



Duke's OceanFest is held each summer in Waikiki in honor of Duke Kahanamoku, who is remembered as the greatest waterman who ever lived, and Hawaii's ambassador of Aloha with a variety of water-based competitions, beach volleyball, and more, fun to participate in – or just sit by and watch. Most competitions will take place near Queen's Surf in Waikiki, with the surf stand and exhibit booths fronting the iconic statue of Kahanamoku. dukesoceanfest.com.

AUGUST 24 • GEORGE LOPEZ



It's a full weekend of comedy. Kick it off with a TV & film star George Lopez as he brings his unforgettable and highly popular comedy tour, The Wall, to the Blaisdell Concert Hall. 8 p.m. Tickets: \$49-\$69. ticketmaster.com.

AUGUST 25 JIM JEFFRIES

Stand-up comedian Jim Jefferies brings his latest major standup comedy tour back to the Islands. Blaisdell Concert Hall. 8 p.m. Tickets: \$49-\$59. ticketmaster.com.

AUGUST 25 AN EVENING WITH TA-NEHISI COATES

The award-winning writer has become a household name as one of the most valued commentators on the current political landscape, sharing his experience as a black man with captivating and moving language. Join him for this moderated conversation on the commonalities between the African-American experience in the US and the cultural politics and history of Hawaii. The talk will be preceded by two short films. 6 p.m. \$30. honolulumuseum.org.

AUGUST 25 HENRY KAPONO & FRIENDS CONCERT



"Celebrate the Soundtrack of Hawai'i" with Henry Kapono celebrating the living legacy of Hawaii's most iconic entertainers alongside rising new stars. Kalapana, Jerry Santos (Olomana), Keola Beamer, Na Leo Pilimehana, John Cruz, Brother Noland, Robi Kahakalau, Alx

Kawakami, Blayne Asing, Josh Tatofi, Kalani Pe'a, Kimié Miner, Landon McNamara, Mike Love, Paula Fuga, and Starr Kalahiki will all be joining Henry onstage. 6:30 p.m. Waikiki Shell. Tickets: \$29-\$150. ticketmaster.com.

AUGUST 25 – 26 GREEK FESTIVAL

Get ready to celebrate all things Greek. The 37th annual festival includes authentic food, lively Greek entertainment, imported specialties, deli items, and much more \$3. (Wear a toga and get in for only \$1) McCoy Pavilion. 12 - 9 p.m. greekfestivalhawaii.com.

AUGUST 25 – 26 • ENGELBERT HUMPERDINCK RETURNS TO HAWAII



After his Saturday show quickly sold out, a second one was added. With nearly 50 years in the business, Engelbert has sold more than 140 million records around the world. His unique voice has

charmed millions of fans with hits such as "Release Me," and "The Last Waltz." Tickets: \$49.50 - \$125. 8 p.m. Hawaii Theatre. bampproject.com.



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HALEKULANI HOTEL 923-231

- •Daily-Hawaiian Music and hula at House Without A Key from 5:30-8pm.
- Daily-Live Contemporary and light Jazz at Lewers Lounge from 8:30pm to midnite.
- •Sun- Sunday brunch at Orchids features Noly Paa on the piano from 10am 1:30pm.

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HILTON HAWAIIAN VILLAGE

- •Fri Fireworks return to their normal time, 7:45 pm.
- •Fri The Rockin' Hawaiian Rainbow Revue, a musical salute to King Kalakaua, at the Super Pool. 7 pm.
- •Daily Live entertainment, Tapa Bar. 8:15-10:30pm.

HYATT REGENCY WAIKIKI 923-1234

•Fri - Aloha Friday Polynesian show, lei-making, hula, and Fire dancer, 1st floor near the Waterfall, 4:30-6 pm.

THE KAHALA HOTEL & RESORT 739-888

•TuWThFSat- David Swanson vocalizes on the piano at The Veranda from 7:30-10pm.Hawaiian on Sun/Mon.

MOANA SURFRIDER

- •Daily-Hawaiian music & hula. The Banyan Court, 6-8 pm, and again from 8 -10 p.m. Weekends from 11:30-2 p.m.
- •MWFri-Guided historical tours at 11am.

NEW OTANI KAIMANA BEACH 923-1555

•FSat- Jazz guitarists in the Sunset Lanai Bar. 6-9pm.

OUTRIGGER WAIKIKI ON THE BEACH 923-0711

•Daily- Daily Cultural Program, front lobby. 11am.

OUTRIGGER REEF ON THE BEACH 923-3111

•Daily- Cultural programs at Kani Ka Pila Hale. 9am.

SHERATON PRINCESS KA'IULANI 922-581

- •Daily-Live Hawaiian music & halau at the lounge from 6-8:30pm, then poolside from 8:30-10:30pm.
- •Th-Princess Kaiulani historical tour at 9:30am.

THE ROYAL HAWAIIAN 923-7311

•TTH- Free guided resort tour at 1pm.

TURTLE BAY RESORT 293-6000

- •TThFri Shell Hula Lessons, Lobby at 10am
- •TThFri Ukulele Lessons, Lobby at 9am
- •Fri- Music & Hula. Lobby Lounge 6:30-8:30pm.

WAIKIKI BEACH MARRIOTT RESORT 922-6611

- Daily-Hawaiian entertainment in The Moana Terrace Bar. 6:30-9:30pm.
- •Fri-Local crafters "Aloha Friday Fair" Lobby 9am-2pm

MUSEUMS

HAWAI'I STATE ART MUSEUM 586-0900

- •TWThFSat Inaugural exhibition "Enriched by Diversity: The Art of Hawai'i." Free. Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Located in the Capital District.
- •Tues- A one-hour guided tour offers a unique insight in the history, art, architecture and restoration of the Hawai'i Theatre with trained docents & a mini-concert on the 1922 Robert Morton Theatre Organ. 11 a.m. Admission: \$10.

HONOLULU MUSEUM OF ART 532-8726

•MWF- Japanese Language Tours. Private tours also available. 1pm. Regular admission.

HONOLULU FIRE MUSEUM 723-7167

•3rdSat- Free one-hour guided tours through various exhibits with a firefighter recounting HFDs history the 3rd Saturday: 9am - 2pm. Reservations required. 620 South Street. honolulu.gov/hfd/communityrelations

IOLANI PALACE 522-083

- •Mon-Sat-45 minutes docent-lead or self-guided audio tours available in English or Japanese. Japanese-led tour is available only at 11:30 a.m. All tours include re-tour video and entrance into the Palace Galleries. Adults: \$14.75-\$21.75 / Keiki (5-12): \$6. 9am-5pm
- •Sat-Hawaiian Quilt Classes. Old Archives 9:30a-12p.

LUCORAL MUSEUM 922-5381

•TTh- Learn how to plan your jewelry project and more in this beaded jewelry workshop \$10. 2-4pm

HAWAIIAN MISSION HOUSES 447-3910

• Tue-Sat-Learn about the story of cultural change in 19th-century Hawai'i. Docents lead tours through the oldest existing frame house in the Islands, Print Shop, and the Chamberlain House. missionhouses.org

PACIFIC AVIATION MUSEUM 441-1000

• Daily-Vintage aircraft in battlefield hangars at Pearl Harbor. Combat flight simulators. Aviator's Tour takes you through the new Restoration Hangar. Restaurant, Museum Store. Shuttle & Tickets at USS Arizona Memorial Visitor Center or at Pacific Aviation Museum.org.

THE SPALDING HOUSE 526-1322

•Daily-Docent-led tours given daily. 1:30pm. Garden tours or Japanese language tours are by appointment.

NAVAL AIR MUSEUM BARBERS POINT 682-3982

•Mon-Fri- A unique museum experience about aviation history in Hawaii. All aircraft are open to climb in, on and around. Tours: 8am - 4:30pm. \$7 / \$5 children under 18. Kalaeloa Airport. Reservations req'd. Sat/Sun by appt only. www.nambp.org.

SHOPPING CENTERS

ALA MOANA CENTERSTAGE 955-9517

- •Mon-Sat Ala Moana Hula Show. Centerstage 1-1:20pm
- •MWF- Hawaiian music Mauka Wing, Lvl 2 2:30-3:30pm
- •Sun Keiki Hula Show. Centerstage 1-1:20pm

INTERNATIONAL MARKET PLACE 921-0536

- •Daily Ceremonial lighting of Lamaku Torch Tower just after sundown followed by a hula show. Queen's Court.
- •Every Other Sun Free Yoga from Lululemon. 10-11am. *Queen's Court.*

KINGS VILLAGE www.kings-village.com 237-6344

- •MW Famer's Market offering fresh produce, baked goods and local food items from 4-9pm.
- Daily King's Guard Museum features a variety of collectibles and memorabilia. 10a-10:30p. FREE.

ROYAL HAWAIIAN CENTER 922-2299

- M- Keiki Hula lessons 3:30pm, Royal Grove
- MWF- Learn Lomilomi 11am-12pm, Bldg. B, 3rd floor
- MTF-Hula 10am (4pm on Wednesdays), Royal Grove
- TThSat- Rock-a-Hula Pre-Show 7pm, Royal Grove
- TWTh- Lauhala Weaving 1pm, Bldg B., 3rd floor
- TThF- Ukelele 12pm, Helumoa Hale
- TWThF- Live Hawaiian music 6-7pm, Royal Grove
- Sat- Hula Kahiko 6-6:30pm, Royal Grove
- Daily- Heritage Room/Cultural Videos Helumoa Hale

WAIKIKI BEACH WALK www.waikikibeachwalk.com

- •Tuesdays Ku Ha'aheo featuring Hawaiian song and dance on the Plaza stage. 4:30-6pm
- •Wednesdays Yoga Classes 4-4:45pm. Free.Plaza Stage

ATTRACTIONS

KALAKAUA AVENUE

527-5666

•Fri - Strolling Hula from 8-10:00pm.

KAPI'OLANI BANDSTAND 527-5666

- •Fri-Hawai'i's finest musicians perform. 5:30-6:30pm
- •Sun-Royal Hawaiian Band performs 2-3:15pm.

KUHIO BEACH HULA SHOW 843-8002

•TThSat- Free hula show. 6:30 - 7:30pm hula mound.

TAMARIND PARK - DOWNTOWN 527-5666 •Fri- Mayor's Aloha Friday Music from 12-1pm

WAIKIKI TOWN CENTER 922-2724

•Mon-Sat-The songs and dances of Hawaiʻi, New Zealand, & Tahiti. Free shows begin at 7pm.

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Stars of Paradise management at blessing



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A mini Hawaii reunion in New York City



Crystal Pancipanci, Wanloe Konyak Schock, Rita Blais, Jessica O'Neal and Lance Rae met up in NYC for Rita's wedding last month. Wanloe was GM of Nobu Waikiki before moving to NY to run the Nobu there, and Rita worked at Nobu before she moved. Hawaii friends forever.

Some old friends perform with Jeff Apaka



Jeff Apaka put on a Waikiki by Moonlight concert a few weeks ago and was joined by some familar faces. From L-R: Angel Pablo, (formerly with Pleasant), Sally Crowell Fo, Wailani Bell (formerly of the Tour & Travel Co), Kuulei Jefferies, Cathy Foy, and Jeff Apaka.

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2 persons) 2440 Kuhio Ave. 922-5555

Hyatt Regency Waikiki - 15% discount with the presentation of a concierge business card at SHOR, Japengo and SWIM. 2424 Kalakaua Ave. 923-1234.

'Iolani Palace - Free Admission. Regular rate \$21.75. 364 S. King Street, Reservations & Hotel ID required. 522-0832.

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Il Lupino - 15% discount off food and beverage (not applicable on liquor or specials). Must show hotel ID or business card to receive discount. Royal Hawaiian Center. 922-3400

Kaiwa - 20% off food & beverage between 5 & 7 p.m. 924-1555

Hawaiian Mission Houses - Free tour with hotel ID. 553 S. King Street, 447-3910

Noi Thai - 20% discount off food and beverage (not applicable on liquor, happy hour or specials). Must show hotel ID to receive discount. Royal Hawaiian Center, Bldg. C. Level 3. 664-4039

Pacific International Skydiving Center - 50% Discount on Jump, 68-760 Farrington Hwy., 637-7472.

P.F. Chang's Waikiki - Receive 20% on all appetizers, entrees, desserts and beverages 11 am - 5 pm daily (not valid for Pau Hana menu) Royal Hawaiian Center. Ph: 628-6760, 637-7472

Romano's Macaroni Grill - 10% Off Food for up to 2 guests. (Not Valid for Happy Hour Menu). Ala Moana Center, 1450 Ala Moana Blvd. 356-8300

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The Original Glider Rides - Come experience the joy of soaring for yourself. Concierge / GSA may receive a complimentary scenic ride. Request the "GSA flight special" when booking your reservation. Hotel ID required. Dillingham Airfield. 637-0207

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NAME: Nolan Char

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TITLE: Concierge

Q: How long have you been with Aulani?

A: A little over 6 years. I'd never worked in the visitor industry before, but I had an interest in helping our island visitors after an excellent experience as a visitor myself to Japan. I decided to apply...the rest is history!

Q: Where did you work before?

A: As a customer service rep at Marukai Marketplace. I also sat on the board for Hands In Helping Out, a nonprofit that helps people find volunteer opportunities.

Q: How big is your team there?

A: We have 3 full-time concierge, along with a good number of cross-trained cast members who also play a pivotal role in providing magical guest experiences.

Q: Describe what makes your team different or special? A: One of the Aulani values is laulima (many hands working together, teamwork), and our team exemplifies

this. Comprised of people from varying backgrounds and areas of expertise, we all bring a unique perspective to offer our guests a memorable, magical stay. We work as a team and look out for each other like family.

Q: What do you think is the biggest challenge at the desk? A: Our guests love Disney, which can be both a blessing and a challenge. They have very high expectations of us. We always strive to go beyond their expectations, and it can be a fun challenge to consistently accomplish that.

Q: What do you like most about this industry?

A: I like that we regularly create memories that our guests will cherish forever. It feels great knowing that they'll go home with priceless memories. I always remember a lot of details from my own trips, so I feel it's important to help others make their own moments.

Q: Is there a particular guest that stands out?

A: There was a young girl staying here who was absolutely obsessed with Moana and hadn't met her yet. I found out when Moana would be there next, and personally walked the girl down to make sure that she was able to meet her. The look on her face when she first saw Moana was priceless...something I will never forget.

Q: What's the most unusual request you've ever heard? A: There was a couple that wanted to get married the same day. Miraculously, I was able to get everything necessary at the last-minute! However, after I did, they decided to wait a bit longer.

Q: What one question are you asked more than any other? A: "How do I get to downtown Honolulu?" Usually, after asking a few questions, 99% of the time the guests are actually trying to get directions to Waikiki.

Q: What's your favorite thing to recommend in general? *A*: If a guest has rented a car, definitely the North Shore. It's one of my favorite spots on the island to relax and has just the right amount of things to do to make a fun day trip. You can shop, eat, or just cruise at the beach.

Q: What off-property restaurant do you recommend? A: If they're not looking to dine on property, I'll usually recommend Roy's, Monkeypod Kitchen, Eating House 1849, or Plantation Tavern.

Q: Tell us something about you that would surprise us? A: I played trombone for 14 years. Former band geeks represent! If you went to a UH game in the early 2000's, there's a good chance I was there blasting my chops off.

Q: Any other thoughts you'd like to share?

I'm sure everyone says this, but we seriously have the best team here at Aulani. I'm reminded of this every day; work is a lot more fun when you enjoy the company around you. We have rough days too, but I'll always be appreciative to be surrounded by these great people.

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