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Honolulu City Lights Celebrates 40 Years

Honolulu City Lights is one of Honolulu's most cherished holiday traditions. The City transforms Honolulu Hale into a winter wonderland with holiday decorations, Christmas lights, fun family activities, and a giant, decorated Christmas tree sits front and center. This year marks the 40th anniversary of Oahu's iconic holiday tradition, and the City is pulling out all the stops for the month-long celebration.



This year's Honolulu City Lights promises to be bigger and better than ever before. The fun begins Dec. 7. Photos courtesy City & County of Honolulu.

A 55-foot Cook Pine tree, donated on behalf of the Harbor Terrace Board of Directors, was installed in mid-November, and workers are feverishly decorating the tree with large, handmade, signature Honolulu City Lights ornaments. These aren't the ornaments you and I can buy to take home. These ornaments are the size of a small child! The result is breathtaking, and of course, Shaka Santa and Tutu Mele return to welcome the crowds as they arrive.

This year, the opening festivities will occur on Saturday, December 7. As in years before, the Honolulu City Lights kicks off with a block party starting at 4 p.m. on Punchbowl Street and across the Frank F. Fasi Civic Grounds. The Public Workers' Electric Light Parade begins at 6:15 p.m. from 'A'ala Park and heads down King Street, from River Street to Kawaiahao Street. As the parade passes Honolulu Hale around 6:30 p.m., Mayor Rick Blangiardi will officially light the tree and the lights and displays decorating the grounds, declaring O'ahu's iconic holiday celebration underway. Two-time

Grammy nominee and multiple Nā Hōkū Hanohano recipient Raiatea Helm will perform during the Mayor's Lighting Ceremony.

New to Honolulu City Lights this year to commemorate the 40th anniversary are 250 feet of lighted tunnels, fifty illuminated trees throughout the grounds, a train for keiki rides, and festive motifs lining Alapa'i and Beretania Streets. The new displays, donated by Mike Gangloff of Show Aloha Land and his sponsors, will bring a new level of "wow" to the festivities.

While there, be sure to walk through the city employee-decorated tree exhibit, which includes a new entry this year from the Honolulu Ocean Safety Department. This year's theme for the department trees is Keiki Christmas Wonderland, as well as the 40th Anniversary Wreath Contest entries, also following a keiki theme, Christmas for the Keiki, and take a free photo with Santa in the Mission Memorial Auditorium from 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. Over a dozen food vendors will be on hand, offering a variety of goodies for sale to snack on throughout the evening.

If you're looking for a good spot to watch the parade, get there early. A large crowd gathers in front of Honolulu Hale to view the tree lighting program and the parade. Crowds also fill the sidewalks on both sides of King Street between Bishop and Punchbowl Streets. For those looking for a reserved seat, ten dollars will buy you a curbside seat to the parade from the grounds of Hawaiian Mission

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HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS

Christmas may be only one day a year, but there is an entire month of activities to keep the spirit strong all month. Here's a snapshot of some fun, celebratory events around town you can share with your guests.

HOLIDAY TROLLEY

The **Waikiki Trolley** is bringing back its annual holiday lights tour. Experience the festive holiday lights downtown from the comfort of an open-air vehicle. Hop off at Honolulu Hale to experience Honolulu City Lights as long as you want, before hopping back to continue the round trip through downtown. Departs from and returns at Aloha Tower at 6, 7, and 8 p.m. from December 8-30. Tickets: \$35 adults, \$25 children. WaikikiTrolley.com.

HOLIDAY FUN WHILE SHOPPING

Ala Moana Center has been ready for the holidays since early November, when its iconic 50-foot Big Santa returned to the parking deck, overlooking Ala Moana Boulevard. Now through Dec. 24, shoppers can enjoy a festive lineup of events and activities, including roaming carolers every Saturday from 2 - 3 p.m., photos with Santa at Santa's Surf Shack, daily holiday hula shows, letters to Santa, and more. Visitors can take home a limited-edition gift when they present \$500 in receipts at Customer Service

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Publisher's Letter



Happy Holidays

The holidays are going strong, and this holiday season promises to be even more festive than before. From the immersive experience at the Convention Center to countless opportunities to see Santa, it's time to bring out your yuletide cheer. Although I was able to put my hands a few holiday activities, as you can see in Holiday Happenings, asking people what they have planned the day after Halloween doesn't always yield as much info as I'd like. I'm sure more will be announced throughout the month.

We had a crazy month of concierge events last month, and emails buried me. I was averaging over 600 a day for several days in a row, and the stress was real. Sorry to those of you that might have caught part of that. You guys sure kept me on my toes! Not all of you read through the emails, do you? One of the reasons I had so many emails was having to reply to get people to send in the information I had requested in the initial email. Please take pity on me in the future. There's only me responding to all of you, so it would make my life easier if you read through the entire email. I try to be very specific and answer your questions in advance. The back-and-forth trying to get all the information I had initially asked for was intense, LOL.

Last but not least, I did not get much in about NYE parties, but I did hear that IMP and Tiki's are both having one. I ran out of room to list any info about them, so please check out their websites for more information. As for the rest of the events, I'm sure they will be released soon; you'll have to keep your ears open.

I hope everyone has a happy holiday season and spends time with their loved ones. This year, I challenge each and every one of you to find a way to pay it forward. I can't think of a better way to keep the aloha and the holiday spirit alive. I can't take credit for coming up with this thought on my own. I got a press release from Anna Miller's announcing a Buy-a-Pie program, where guests can buy a pie for those in need that the restaurant will donate to the Salvation Army, and it struck a chord in me. Can you imagine if all of us did just one thing to help others? Everyone deserves a happy holiday. Aloha!

Yada Yada



Jay Takamiya

Jay Takamiya has been promoted to General Manager of the 'Ilima Hotel. Jay started at the hotel in 1998 as a guest service host. He was promoted to Front Desk Supervisor in 2000 and then in 2011 to Assistant Manager, before being asked to lead the charge last month after Phil Sammer announced his retirement after 40 years at the helm. Phil has spent the past four decades guiding the hotel into a property that prides itself on treating every guest and staff member like 'ohana and being one of the most Hawaiian hotels on the island. A longtime board member of the Native Hawaiian Hospitality Association and Skål Hawaii, Phil has dedicated his career to perpetuating an authentic spirit of aloha and Hawaiian Culture at his hotel and throughout our hospitality industry. He is one of the hardest-working and most dedicated people I know, and I hope he spends his newly found free time enjoying fabulous travels and adventures.

Honolulu City Lights

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Houses and admission to the Mission Houses' Family Night, featuring 19th-century games and activities. Family Night is from 4 – 6 p.m., and the historic houses will also be open for visiting. Reserve your seats at missionhouses.org.

The entire downtown area around Honolulu Hale is adorned with colorful lights and decorations, creating a festive atmosphere. Visitors can enjoy walking around and taking in the sights, including light displays, holiday-themed decorations, and various Christmas ornaments. The lights and other outdoor decorations are lighted nightly at approximately 6 p.m. and remain on until dawn, switching off at approximately 6 a.m. Take the time to drive through downtown Honolulu and enjoy the lights throughout the season. Take a slow drive down Beretania Street, enjoying multiple light displays. Turn left on Bishop Street and drive by Bishop Square and its plethora of lights, then turn left again on King Street and pass Iolani Palace, lighted as it was for Queen Lili'uokalani back in the day, then take the slow lane past Honolulu Hale and make the loop again. Don't want to drive? E Noa Tours

He's earned it! • Larissa Canida has been named Front Office Manager at the Hilton Garden Inn. Larissa has been with Highgate for the past 11 years. She began at the Courtyard by Marriott Waikiki as a guest service agent and rooms control before being promoted to Front Office Manager in 2019. Before that, she was at the Coconut Waikiki Hotel for 7 years, where she worked as a guest service agent, guest service supervisor, and executive housekeeper. • Lastly, congratulations to Rena Agngarayngay, who was just given double duty as the General Manager of the Lotus Honolulu in addition to her GM duties at Hotel Renew. Rena began her hospitality career at Hotel Renew as a Front Desk Agent in 2014. She worked at many properties along the way, including The Ritz-Carlton Residences, Waikiki Beach, The Modern Honolulu, and the Ala Moana Hotel, before being named GM at the hotel where it all started, Hotel Renew, in 2023.



Larissa Canida



is bringing its Holiday Trolley Tours from December 8 - 30.

Be sure to check out the limited-edition Honolulu City Lights ornaments. There are two commemorative 40th-anniversary ornaments available this year for \$24. The Friends of Honolulu City Lights will sell the official ornament and T-shirts on-site at the opening ceremonies. All proceeds from ornament sales go toward keeping the Honolulu City Lights celebration FREE for residents and visitors. Ornaments can also be purchased online or at all O'ahu Macy's stores and First Hawaiian Bank branches.

The Honolulu City Lights celebration continues throughout the month of December, featuring various family-friendly events presented by the Friends of Honolulu City Lights. Open daily from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. on the Frank F. Fasi Civic Center Grounds, it will run through December 31. For more information, head to hnlcitylights.org.

EXTRA EXTRA EXTRA *Newsflash*

DEAN & DELUCA OPENS ITS THIRD LOCATION AT KŌ'ULA

Dean & DeLuca Hawaii has opened its third location on the bottom level of Kō'ula at Ward Village. Featuring the eateries signature kitchenware, spices and chocolate, while the gourmet deli offers freshly baked bread and pastries, pintxos, skewered appetizers, tapas, and sweets. An open-air terrace facing the park is pet-friendly. Open Mon-Fri from 7 a.m. - 7 p.m. and Sundays from 7 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. deandeluca-hawaii.com.

ASANA SPA OPENS LOCATION AT HILTON WAIKIKI BEACH

Asana Spa recently unveiled its newest location at the Hilton Waikiki Beach Resort. Described as a serene sanctuary on the quiet Diamond Head side of Waikiki, the spa invites guests to unwind in one of its five treatment rooms, offering a range of treatments from massages and facials to unique therapies featuring Hawaiian inspired ingredients and Eastern traditions. Open daily from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. asanaspawaiki.com.

MANOA CHOCOLATES LAUNCHES NEW FARM TOUR

Manoa Chocolates has partnered with Kamananui Cacao Orchards to create a Chocolate Farm Tour & Tasting. Learn about Hawaii's thriving cacao and chocolate industry at a state-of-the-art cacao farm on the North Shore. Take an informational orchard walk before sitting down to a lovely chocolate tasting. The hour-and-a-half tour is available Tuesday, Friday, & Saturday at 9 & 11:30 a.m. manoachocolate.com/pages/farm-tours.

KEKOA CAZIMERO NEW SURF EXPERIENCE AT WAI KAI

Pro-surfer Kekoa Cazimero has partnered with the Wai Kai Wave to launch a brand-new surf experience. The 3-hour session combines personalized surf coaching, filled with cultural insights, giving participants not only an exciting surfing experience but a meaningful connection to Hawaii's land and traditions including personalized tips and insights for future surf improvement. \$299. waikai.com

FREE CHRISTMAS GIFT FROM PARK WEST GALLERY

From December 10 to 25, every person who visits Park West Gallery at Waikiki Beach Walk will receive a free gift just for stopping by. Guests can choose from 6 different A4-sized prints as their gift to you for the holidays. parkwestgallery.com

THE KAHALA HOTEL JUMPS INTO THE WELLNESS INDUSTRY

IV Therapy is all the rage these days. Not one to miss out, the Kahala Hotel & Resort has announced a new partnership with Revibe Ultra Wellness out of Los Angeles, bringing state-of-the-art IV anti-aging and wellness services to The Kahala Spa. Choose from Vitamin IV Therapy, Vita Shots, and custom drips for specific needs such as Jet Lag, Hangover, Energy & More. Open 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. daily. revibeultrawellness.com.

HAWAII'S RESIDENT CIRQUE DU SOLEIL SHOW OPENS DEC. 5

'Auana, Hawaii's first ever resident Cirque du Soleil show is finally ready to raise the curtain on this exciting new addition to our entertainment market. Cirque made a minimum of a 10-year commitment to Hawaii, so it's not going anywhere anytime soon. The grand opening is December 15th, but tickets are available for soft opening performances beginning December 5th. Kama'aina can take 30% off tickets. cirquedusoleil.com/auana.

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while supplies last. This year, Fashion Santa, a world-renowned fashion personality whose mission is to revitalize Santa's spirit to help those who need it most during a time of giving, makes his debut appearance at the Center on Dec. 16. alamoanacenter.com.

Stop by PCC for **Christmas at the Hukilau Marketplace**. From Dec. 16 to 21, join in on the free festive fun with Santa, decorations, train rides, scavenger hunt, entertainment, giveaways and more from 6 – 8 p.m. hukilaimarketplace.com.

International Market Place offers photos with Santa until Dec. 24. Make reservations at shopinternationalmarketplace.com.

Royal Hawaiian Center is offering a special holiday performance and photos with Santa every Wednesday & Saturday from 5 – 7:30 p.m. in front of the Christmas tree in the Royal Grove through Dec. 21. Shoppers can also take home a limited-edition gift when you spend \$500 or more. Additionally, spend \$100 or more at Royal Hawaiian Center stores and restaurants to receive a stylish mesh vanity bag. Present your same-day receipts at Helumoa Hale Guest Services. royalhawaiiancenter.com.

Waikiki Beach Walk is bringing its annual week-long Seven Days till Christmas Series back, where they offer a special holiday program of Hawaiian music and dance presented by Kumu Blaine Kia. From Dec. 19 to 25, stop by from 6 - 7 p.m. nightly. waikikibeachwalk.com.

Ward Village will have holiday-themed displays around the Village for you to take seasonal photos. From Dec. 1 to 15, join the Elf Scavenger Hunt. Find as many little toy elves as possible, snap a picture, and post to your social media account with the hashtag #ElvesAtWardVillage to win a \$100 gift card. On Dec. 14 from 5 – 7 p.m., join a festive celebration featuring a holiday-themed light show, hot cocoa, music, activities, and more at the South Shore Market courtyard. Complimentary while supplies last. wardvillage.com.

SURFING SANTA

What's Christmas in Hawaii without Santa surfing to the beach in a canoe? Be on the beach in front of the **Outrigger Waikiki Beach** on Dec. 7 at 9 a.m. He will be greeted by keiki dancing hula and stick around to take pictures on the Duke's stage until 11 a.m. outrigger.com.

Although we don't have confirmation, Santa has been known to surf into the **Barefoot Beach Cafe** on Queen's Beach Christmas morning at 10 a.m. in the past,

where he's available for selfies in front of the Hot Cocoa Bar. Enjoy live music until 1 p.m. Check their website for confirmation closer to the big day. barefootbeachcafe.com.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

What kid wouldn't love eating with Santa? **Kana Ka Pila Grille** brings their annual Breakfast with Santa at the Outrigger Reef Waikiki Beach on Dec. 14 from 8 - 10 a.m. There will be balloon twisting, photo opportunities, and body art. outrigger.com

Neiman Marcus offers their Breakfast with Santa on Dec. 14 & 21 at 8:30 a.m. Enjoy a musical production as well as a visit with Santa himself. Take home a souvenir pic with Santa as your gift. eventbrite.com.

Santa stops by **Dave & Buster's** for his annual breakfast on Dec. 22. There will be balloon twisting, magic, and photos with Santa. Tickets: \$28-\$39. prekindle.com.

HOLIDAY LUAU

Aloha Kai Luau at Sea Life Park presents a holiday-themed luau, and effective Dec. 7, adding Saturday shows into its new 5-day-a-week schedule. They will also offer holiday shows on Christmas Eve/Day and New Year's Eve/Day. alohakailuau.com.

SANTA'S COMING TO WAI KAI

On Dec. 19, head out to a special edition of the weekly **Wai Kai Farmers Market**. From 4 - 8 p.m., enjoy pictures with Santa, the Candy Cane Craft Walk, face painting and an ugly Christmas attire contest at 6:30 p.m. waikai.com.

SANTA CON 2024

Brace yourselves. Hundreds of Santa's descend into Waikiki for the biggest bar crawl of the year. The festivities begin at Tiki's from 5:30 p.m. At 7:40 p.m. the Santas will parade to Maui Brewing Company. At 10 p.m., the party moves to Kelly O'Neils and the Pupu House. Find more information on Facebook.

SIPPING WITH SANTA

Celebrate the holidays at the **Sippin' Santa** pop-up bar at the Prince Waikiki to enjoy holiday décor that delights, music that evokes warm memories, holiday drinks, and light snacks. Open Mon. – Thurs. from 5 – 9:30 p.m., and Fri.– Sun. from 5 – 10 p.m. princewaikiki.com.

From Dec. 1 to 28, the popular Christmas-themed bar **Winter Wonderland** will be open daily at Ala Moana Center from 5 p.m. to midnight. Located on Street Level in the Ewa Wing, Winter Wonderland will feature a cozy ambiance adorned with festive décor and holiday-themed cocktails. alamoanacenter.com.

Have a very happy holiday season!



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Christmas Craft Fairs

Finding the perfect gift from Hawai'i

Are you still looking for that perfect Christmas gift? Instead of presenting you with a gift guide this year, we will show you a series of wonderful Hawaii-centric holiday craft fairs where you can find the perfect gift tailored to someone special.

On the slim chance you get the magazine early this month we would be remiss not to include the *Hawaiian Mission Houses Holiday Craft Fair* on November 30. Hawai'i's longest-running craft fair is your one-stop-shop for unique gifts including everything from lauhala hats and Hawaiian wear to soaps, spices, and shell jewelry. With over 50 craft and food vendors, you are sure to find just the right thing. Hawaiian Mission Houses is located on the corner of King and Kawaiaha'o streets. Metered parking is available in the area. Open from 8:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. missionhouses.org.

The *35th Islandwide Crafts & Food Expo* takes place on November 30 and December 1. Twice named Hawaii's "Top Holiday Market" by Food & Wine Magazine, this Christmas fair offers locally made crafts, 'ono foods, live entertainment, giveaways, games, Christmas spirit, and aloha. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. \$8 general admission; \$6 for military with ID and seniors 65+. Blaisdell Exhibition Hall. islandwideexpos.com

The 8th annual *Mele Kalikimaka Marketplace* returns to the Blaisdell Center on December 14th and 15th. Honolulu's one-stop local holiday shop for made-in-Hawai'i products, holiday gifts, and crafts is a 2-day extravaganza featuring over 250 vendors showcasing the island's finest products and unique creations. Browse through hundreds of locally made products, food items, gifts, books, apparel, gourmet gifts, prepackaged gift baskets, jewelry, crafts, and more, and enjoy year-end inventory



Mele Kalikimaka Marketplace has over 250 vendors

specials from various manufacturers, wholesalers, and retailers. This year's event will also be pet-friendly. Shoppers are welcome to bring their pets as long as they are on a leash, in a stroller, or in a carrier. Be sure to stop by the DLT Ranch "Bumboochoa" Petting Zoo, featuring Alpacas, Mini Cow, Mini Donkeys, Mini Horses, Sheep, Goats, Pigs, Tortoises & Bunnies and Pony Rides will be offered throughout the event. A photo booth will feature Christmas "Santa Paws" and offer individual and family photos. Admission is \$6 for adults and \$4 for students, military, and seniors 60 and over. Children 12 years and under are free with a paid adult. Parking is \$8. Open Saturday from 10 a.m. - 8 p.m. and Sunday from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. For a complete list of vendors that will be participating in the event, go to MeleKalikimakaMarketplace.com.



The Hawaii Holiday Craft & Gift Fair is your last chance to grab a gift from a holiday craft fair vendor.

Lastly, it's your last chance to grab that locally made item at the *Hawaii Holiday Craft & Gift Fair*, also at the Blaisdell Exhibition Hall on December 20, 21 & 22. Browse over 250 booths filled with thousands of gift ideas for your holiday shopping convenience. You'll find handcrafted items made by Hawaii's finest artisans, jewelry, fashions, cosmetics, toys, art, books, collectibles, sauces, seasonings, candies, snacks, specialty foods, handbags, gift baskets, stocking stuffers, ornaments, wreaths, unique, one-of-a-kind Hawaii made crafts and more. Open Friday, December 20, from 2 p.m. - 7 p.m., on Saturday, December 21, from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m., and on Sunday, December 22, from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Admission is \$7.00, and Military Families and Children under 7 years of age are free. Find out more information on all the participating vendors and a \$2.00 off admission coupon on their website at HawaiiHolidayFair.com



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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
- Duke's Canoe Club Waikiki** **922-2268**
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
Donald Fialkowski (or others) 4-6pm
Bryan & Halekahu 7-9:30pm
Ellsworth Simeona 9:30-12am
- Hard Rock Cafe** **955-7383**
Contemporary Rock or Production duo
ODDible (11/11 - Chapter II) 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 Universe '97 Brook Lee
Pa'ahana Trio 5-8pm
- Hula Grill** **923-4852**
Live Contemporary Hits
Ben Kama 12-2pm

- Kani Ka Pila Grille** **924-4992**
Hoku Award Winning Hawaiian musicians
Sean Na'auao 6-9pm
JD Puli & Friends (11/18) 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
- Moani Waikiki** **466-2629**
Contemporary Hawaiian Music
Holomua Muzic 7-10pm
- 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

- 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

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
- 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
Kings Kalohelani 4:30-7:30pm
- Hard Rock Cafe** **955-7383**
Contemporary Rock
Sidney Spencer (or others) 8-10pm
- House Without a Key** **923-2311**
Hawaiian music & hula by Miss Hawaii '24 Haley Kane
Delima Ohana (or others) 5-8pm
Johnny Kukui (dark 12/3, 12/10) 8:15-10pm
- Hula Grill** **923-4852**
Contemporary Rock
Kawika Kahiapo 12-2pm
- Kani Ka Pila Grille** **924-4992**
Highlighting the Henry Kapon Foundation "On the Rise" artist series the first Tuesday of every month.
Kosuke 5-7pm
Kala'e Camarillo 6-9pm
- L.B.L.E. Lounge** **922-0811**
Live Acoustic - Industry Night
Jenna Keala (12/24-Ben Kama) 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
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YOZA 6-9pm
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Live Contemporary Hawaiian
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Live Contemporary
John Kema 5:30-7:30pm

Moani Waikiki 466-2629

Blues, Old School Rock, Country
Keith Batlin 7-10pm

Monkeypod Kitchen Ko Olina 381-4086

Live music 3x a day including from 12:30 - 2 p.m.
Pono 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 (12/24-Kosuke) 5:30-8:30pm

Rumfire 921-4600

Live Contemporary Hits
Christian Yrizarry (or Justin Edwards) 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
Mark Caldeira (or others) 6-9pm

The Beach Bar at the Moana Surfrider 922-3111

Live Contemporary Hawaiian
Stephen Inglis (or Bronson Varde) 3:30-6:30pm
Alex Oasay 7-10pm

The Edge at the Sheraton 921-4600

Live Hawaiian Music
YOZA 1-4pm
Johnny Kukui 4:30-7:30pm

The Point Sunset Pool Bar at Turtle Bay 293-6000

Live Contemporary Hawaiian with Fireknife Dancer
Danielle Parente 5-8pm

WEDNESDAY

100 Sails at the Prince Waikiki 944-4494

Live Contemporary Hawaiian
Mike Tulba 6-8pm

Barefoot Beach Café at Queen's Beach 924-2233

Island Vibes
Danny Galura 5:30-8:30pm

Duke's Canoe Club Waikiki 922-2268

Live Contemporary Hawaiian
Keoni Ku 4-6pm
Taulia Lave 7-9:30pm
Alika Souza 9:30-12am

Eating House 1849 Waikiki 924-1849

Live Contemporary Hawaiian
Shawn Garnett 4:30-6:30pm

Hard Rock Cafe 955-7383

Contemporary Rock
Cassie and the... 8-10pm

House Without a Key 923-2311

Hawaiian music & hula by Miss Universe '97 Brook Lee
Pa'ahana Trio 5-8pm
Jason Midro (dark 12/4, 12/11) 8:15-10pm

Hula Grill 923-4852

Contemporary Rock
Ronson Asuncion 12-2pm

Kani Ka Pila Grille 924-4992

Hoku Award Winning Hawaiian musicians
Ei Nei 6-9pm

Lewers Lounge 923-2311

Jazz Pianist
Tommy James 8:30pm-12am

Mahi'ai Table 670-2778

Live Contemporary
Kai Duhaylsod 5-8pm

Mahina & Sun's 923-8882

Soulful Guitar on the Lanai
John Akapo 6-8:30pm

Mai Tai Bar at the Royal Hawaiian 923-7311

Live Contemporary Hawaiian
Stephen Inglis (12/25-Johnny Kukui) 11am-2pm
Johnny Valentine 6-9pm

Maui Brewing Company 843-2739

Live Contemporary Hawaiian
Scott Magz & Preston 8:30-10:30pm

Merriman's Honolulu 215-0022

Live Contemporary
Kamaka Camarillo 5:30-7:30pm

MINA's Fish House 679-0079

Live Contemporary Hits
Kamuela Kahoano 6-9pm

Moani Waikiki 466-2629

Contemporary Hawaiian/Country Music
AJ Keolanui 7-10pm

Monkeypod Kitchen Ko Olina 381-4086

Live Contemporary 3x a day including from 12:30 - 2 p.m.
Chris Murphy 3:30-5pm
Izik 7-9pm

Monkeypod Kitchen Waikiki 900-4226

Live music 3x a day including from 12:30 - 2:30 p.m.
Jasmin Nicole 3:30-5pm
Chante 7-9pm

Pikos Kitchen & Bar 923-2032

Live Contemporary Hits
David Aquino (or Justin Edwards) 5:30-8:30pm

Rumfire 921-4600

Live Contemporary Hits
Jesse Kuikahi 6-9pm

Signature Prime Steak 949-3636

Contemporary Pianist in the bar
Pierre Grill 6-9pm

Swell at the Alohilani 294-4108

Solo Contemporary Guitarist
Brad Kawakami 5:30-8:30pm

The Beach Bar at the Moana Surfrider 922-3111

Live Contemporary Hawaiian

Alika Souza 3:30-6:30pm
Simple Souls (or Cherie Duo) 7-10pm

The Edge at the Sheraton 921-4600

Live Hawaiian Music
Kupu Dalire-Na'auao 1-4pm
Dave Watanabe 4:30-7:30pm

The Point Sunset Pool Bar at Turtle Bay 293-6000

Live Contemporary Hawaiian with Fireknife Dancer
Alex Oasay (12/25- Bronson Varde) 5-8pm

The Veranda at the Kahala Hotel 739-8760

Live Contemporary
YOZA 6-9pm

THURSDAY

Barefoot Beach Café at Queen's Beach 924-2233

Live Contemporary & Hawaiian
Alika Souza 5:30-8:30pm

Duke's Canoe Club Waikiki 922-2268

Live Contemporary Hawaiian
Ben Kama 4-6pm
Henry Kaponi's New Artists "On the Rise" 7-9:30pm
Scott Magz 9:30-12am

Eating House 1849 Waikiki 924-1849

Live Contemporary Hawaiian

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Shane Kainoa	5-8pm	Signature Prime Steak	949-3636
Hard Rock Cafe		<i>Contemporary Pianist in the bar</i>	
<i>Live Contemporary</i>		Grant Carvalho	6-9pm
House Without a Key	923-2311	Splash Bar at the Sheraton Princess Kaiulani	921-4600
<i>Hawaiian music & hula by Miss Universe '97 Brook Lee</i>		<i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i>	
Walea	5-8pm	Tad Jennings	3-6pm
Bronson Varde (dark 12/5, 12/12)	8:15-10pm	Kaimi Hananoeau	6-9pm
Hula Grill	923-4852	Stripsteak	896-2545
<i>Contemporary Rock</i>		<i>Live Contemporary</i>	
Randy Allen	12-2pm	Jason Laeha	6-9pm
Kani Ka Pila Grille	924-4992	Swell at the Alohilani	294-4108
<i>Hoku Award Winning Hawaiian musicians</i>		<i>Solo Contemporary Guitarist</i>	
Kawika Kahiapo	6-9pm	Kaimi Hananoeau	3-6pm
Lewers Lounge	923-2311	Tad Jennings	6-9pm
<i>Jazz Pianist</i>		The Beach Bar at the Moana Surfriider	922-3111
Ethan Capone & Rocky Holmes	8:30pm-12am	<i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i>	
Mahi'ai Table	670-2778	Christian Yrizarry	3:30-6:30pm
<i>Live Contemporary</i>		Kaimi Hananoeau	7-10pm
Alex Oasay	5-8pm	The Edge at the Sheraton	921-4600
Mahina & Sun's	923-8882	<i>Live Hawaiian Music</i>	
<i>Hawaiian Contemporary on the Lanai</i>		Alika Souza	1-4pm
Kelly Boy DeLima	6-8:30pm	Chris Salvador	4:30-7:30pm
Mai Tai Bar at the Royal Hawaiian	923-7311	The Point Sunset Pool Bar at Turtle Bay	293-6000
<i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i>		<i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian with Fireknife Dancer</i>	
Christian Yrizarry (or Bronson Varde)	11am-2pm	Johnny Kukui (or Marty Saito)	5-8pm
Stephen Inglis (or Justin Edwards)	8-10pm	The Veranda at the Kahala Hotel	739-8760
Maui Brewing Company	843-2739	<i>Live Contemporary</i>	
<i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i>		Jason Laeha (12/26-Johnny Kukui)	6-9pm
Sean Cleland	8:30-10:30pm	Vintage 1901 at the Moana	921-4600
Maui Brewing Kailua	518-2739	<i>Contemporary Piano</i>	
<i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i>		David Swanson	6:30-10pm
Grace Welton (or others)	6-8pm	FRIDAY	
Merriman's Honolulu	215-0022	Barefoot Beach Café at Queen's Beach	924-2233
<i>Live Contemporary</i>		<i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i>	
Laupepa Letuli	5:30-7:30pm	The Art Kalahiki Band	5:30-8:30pm
MINA's Fish House	679-0079	Duke's Canoe Club Waikiki	922-2268
<i>Live Contemporary Hits</i>		<i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i>	
Jesse Kuikahi	6-9pm	Maunalua (12/6, 12/27)	4-6pm
Moani Waikiki	466-2629	Ben Kama (12/13)	4-6pm
<i>Contemporary Island Music</i>		Hi'ikua (12/20)	4-6pm
Allan	7-10pm	Kawaika Kahiapo	7-9:30pm
Monkeypod Kitchen Ko Olina	381-4086	Justin Edwards	9:30-12am
<i>Live Contemporary 3x a day including from 12:30 - 2 p.m.</i>		Hard Rock Cafe	955-7383
Kona Abergas	3:30-5pm	<i>Live Contemporary</i>	
Chante Duo	7-9pm	Psycho Tropical (or Close the Distance)	8-11pm
Monkeypod Kitchen Waikiki	900-4226	House Without a Key	923-2311
<i>Live music 3x a day including from 12:30 - 2:30 p.m.</i>		<i>Hawaiian music & hula by Miss Hawaii '73 Kanoe Miller</i>	
Bella and Tehani	3:30-5pm	Kapalama Trio	5-8pm
Javin Kai	7-9pm	Tad Jennings (dark 12/6, 12/13)	8:15-10pm
Pikos Kitchen & Bar	923-2032	Hula Grill	923-4852
<i>Live Contemporary Hits</i>		<i>Contemporary Rock</i>	
Keoni Ku	5:30-8:30pm	YOZA	12-2pm
Rumfire	921-4600	Kani Ka Pila Grille	924-4992
<i>Live Contemporary Hits</i>		<i>Hoku Award Winning Hawaiian musicians</i>	
Brad Kawakami	6-9pm	Ka Hehena	6-9pm

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Performers & times subject to change

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Lewers Lounge 923-2311

Jazz Pianist
Maggie Herron & Dean Taba 8pm-12am

Mahi'ai Table 670-2778

Live Contemporary
Eddie Somera (12/13-Johnny Kukui) 5-8pm

Mahina & Sun's 923-8882

Slack Key on the Lanai
Dustin Park 6-8:30pm

Mai Tai Bar at the Royal Hawaiian 923-7311

Live Contemporary Hawaiian
Brandon Serrano 11am-2pm
Johnny III 6-9pm

Maui Brewing Company 843-2739

Live Contemporary Hawaiian
Keith Batlin (or Deah & Duva) 8:30-10:30pm

Maui Brewing Kailua 518-2739

Live Contemporary Hawaiian
Randy Allen (or others) 6-8pm

Merriman's Honolulu 215-0022

Live Contemporary
Matt Cockey 3-5pm
Stephen Harris 5:30-7:30pm

MINA's Fish House 679-0079

Live Contemporary Hits
Jenna Keala 6-9pm

Moani Waikiki 466-2629

Traditional Hawaiian Tri
Keolu 6-9pm

Monkeypod Kitchen Ko Olina 381-4086

Live Contemporary 3x a day including from 12:30 - 2 p.m.
Tehani and Bella 3:30-5pm
John Akapo 7-9pm

Monkeypod Kitchen Waikiki 900-4226

Live music 3x a day including from 12:30 - 2:30 p.m.
The Mauve 3:30-5pm
Izik 7-9pm

Original Magoos Pizza 949-5381

Live Contemporary Hawaiian
Ernie Kanoa 5:30-8:30pm

Pikos Kitchen & Bar 923-2032

Live Contemporary Hits
Johnny Helm 5:30-8:30pm

Rumfire 921-4600

Live Contemporary Hits
Stephen Inglis (or others) 4:30-7:30pm
Drew Henmi 8-10:30pm

Signature Prime Steak 949-3636

Contemporary Pianist in the bar
Grant Carvalho 6-9pm

Splash Bar at the Sheraton Princess Kaiulani 921-4600

Live Contemporary Hawaiian, DJ Jem spins from 2 - 5pm
Ben Kama Duo & Dancer 4:30-7:30pm
Dave Watanabe 8-10pm

Stripsteak 896-2545

Live Contemporary
Shane Kainoa 6-9pm

The Beach Bar at the Moana Surfrider 922-3111

Live Contemporary Hawaiian
Chris Salvador 12-3pm
Kaleikaumaka Duo (or Kailua Moon) 3:30-6:30pm
Kamuela Kahoano 7-10pm

The Edge at the Sheraton 921-4600

Live Hawaiian Music
Christian Yrizarry (or others) 1-4pm
Brad Kawakami 4:30-7:30pm

The Grove at the Modern Pool Deck 943-5800

Live Contemporary
Tad Jennings 4-7pm

The Point Sunset Pool Bar at Turtle Bay 293-6000

Live Contemporary Hawaiian with Fireknife Dancer
Mark Calderia 5-8pm

The Veranda at the Kahala Hotel 739-8760

Live Contemporary
Johnny Valentine 6-9pm

Vintage 1901 at the Moana 921-4600

Contemporary Piano
David Swanson 6:30-10pm

SATURDAY

Barefoot Beach Café at Queen's Beach 924-2233

Live Contemporary Hawaiian
Vanessa Alputila 5:30-8:30pm

Duke's Canoe Club Waikiki 922-2268

Live Contemporary Hawaiian
Kaiona Band (or others) 4-6pm
Ells Simeona 7-9:30pm
Sean Cleland 9:30-12am

Eating House 1849 Waikiki 924-1849

Live Contemporary Hawaiian
Kings Kalohelani 10:30am-1pm

Hard Rock Cafe 955-7383

Live Contemporary
Savannah Duo 10 am - 12pm
Tad Jennings 8-11pm

House Without a Key 923-2311

Hawaiian music & hula by Miss Hawaii '73 Kanoa Miller
Kapalama Trio 5-8pm

Hula Grill 923-4852

Contemporary Rock
Walt Keale (or others) 12-2pm

Kani Ka Pila Grille 924-4992

Hoku Award Winning Hawaiian musicians
Ho'okena 6-9pm

Lewers Lounge 923-2311

Jazz Pianist
Maggie Herron & Dean Taba 8-10:30pm

Mahi'ai Table 670-2778

Live Contemporary
Danielle Parente 5-8pm

Mahina & Sun's 923-8882

Contemporary Hawaiian/Blues on the Lanai
Sabia Farang 6-8:30pm

Mai Tai Bar at the Royal Hawaiian 923-7311

Live Contemporary Hawaiian
Alika Souza 11am-2pm
Dave Watanabe 6-9pm

Maui Brewing Company 843-2739

Live Contemporary Hawaiian
Ben Kama Duo (or others) 3:30-5:30pm

Maui Brewing Kailua 518-2739

Live Contemporary Hawaiian
Scott Magz (or Dion "Boogie" Scott) 7-9pm

Merriman's Honolulu 215-0022

Live Contemporary
Kapu Copp 5:30-7:30pm

MINA's Fish House 679-0079

Live Contemporary Hits
Alex Oasay 6-9pm

Moani Waikiki 466-2629

Live Contemporary
Gil Bitanga 6-9pm

Monkeypod Kitchen Ko Olina 381-4086

Live Contemporary 3x a day including from 12:30 - 2 p.m.
Javin Kai 3:30-5pm
Izik 7-9pm

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Tad Jennings 3:30-5pm
Kona Abergas 7-9pm

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Buck Giles 5:30-8:30pm

Pikos Kitchen & Bar 923-2032

Live Contemporary Hits

Justin Edwards (or others) 5:30-8:30pm

Redfish at the Wayfinder Waikiki 921-3220

Live Contemporary Hits

Johnny Helm 6-10p

Rumfire 921-4600

Live Contemporary Hits

YOZA 4:30-7:30pm

Bronson Varde 8-10:30pm

Signature Prime Steak 949-3636

Contemporary Pianist in the bar

Grant Carvalho 6-9pm

Splash Bar at the Sheraton Princess Kaiulani 921-4600

Live Contemporary Hawaiian, DJ spins from 2-5pm

Brad Kawakami Duo & Dancer 4:30-7:30pm

Tangi Tully 8-10pm

Stripsteak 896-2545

Live Contemporary

Dustin Park 6-9pm

The Beach Bar at the Moana Surfriider 922-3111

Live Contemporary Hawaiian

Brad Kawakami 12-3pm

Bronson Varde (12/14- Jason Midor) 3:30-6:30pm

Koa Atwood 7-10pm

The Edge at the Sheraton 921-4600

Live Hawaiian Music

Johnny Kukui 1-4pm

Eddie Somera 4:30-7:30pm

The Grove at the Modern Pool Deck 943-5800

Live Contemporary

Mike Izon 4-7pm

The Point Sunset Pool Bar at Turtle Bay 293-6000

Live Contemporary Hawaiian with Fireknife Dancer

Denny Ono 5-8pm

The Veranda at the Kahala Hotel 739-8760

Live Contemporary

Cory Oliveros 6pm-9pm

Vintage 1901 at the Moana 921-4600

Contemporary Piano

David Swanson 6:30-10pm

SUNDAY

Barefoot Beach Café at Queen's Beach 924-2233

Live Contemporary Hawaiian

Kimo Baker 10am-1pm

Art Kalahiki 5:30-8:30pm

Duke's Canoe Club Waikiki 922-2268

Live Contemporary Hawaiian

Henry Kapono 4-6pm

Kaiona Duo 7-9:30pm

Tad Jennings 9:30-12am

Eating House 1849 Waikiki 924-1849

Live Contemporary Hawaiian

Shane Kainoa 10:30am-1pm

Hard Rock Cafe 955-7383

Contemporary Rock

TJ & Son (11/24 - Drag Bingo) 10am-12pm

Allie and the Waves 8-10pm

House Without a Key 923-2311

Hawaiian music & hula by Miss Universe '97 Brook Lee

Pu'uhonua Trio 5-8pm

Hula Grill 923-4852

Contemporary Rock with Hula

Jason Midro (or others) 12-2pm

Kani Ka Pila Grille 924-4992

Hoku Award Winning Hawaiian musicians

Nathan Aweau 6-9pm

La Hiki Restaurant at the Four Seasons 679-0079

Live Contemporary Hawaiian

Jenna Keala (or Kamuela Kahoano) 11am-2pm

Lewers Lounge 923-2311

Jazz Pianist

Nick La'a 8-10:30pm

Mahi'ai Table 670-2778

Live Contemporary

Johnny III 5-8pm

Mahina & Sun's 923-8882

Award-winning ukulele on the Lanai

TJ Ro 6-8:30pm

Mai Tai Bar at the Royal Hawaiian 923-7311

Live Contemporary Hawaiian

John Coelho & Kanoe Arola 11am-2pm

Christian Yrizarry (or Tehani Whittington) 6-9pm

Maui Brewing Company 843-2739

Live Contemporary

Dave Young Trio (12/15-Jai Rodgers) 8:30-10:30pm

YOZA (12/8,12/29) 8:30-10:30pm

Merriman's Honolulu 215-0022

Live Contemporary Piano

Grant Carvalho 5:30-7:30pm

Moani Waikiki 466-2629

Contemporary Island/Reggae

Dustin Park 7-10pm

Monkeypod Kitchen Ko Olina 381-4086

Live Contemporary 3x a day including from 12:30 - 2 p.m.

Sierra Lucia 3:30-5pm

Lava 7-9pm

Monkeypod Kitchen Waikiki 900-4226

Live music 3x a day including from 12:30 - 2:30 p.m.

JOBY! 3:30-5pm

Liam Moleta 7-9pm

Original Magoos Pizza 949-5381

Kanikapila Night

Leonard Jenkins & Joe Chang 5:30-8:30pm

Pikos Kitchen & Bar 923-2032

Live Contemporary Hits

Dominic Carlos 5:30-8:30pm

Plumeria Beach House 739-8760

Live Contemporary

Ronson Asuncion 6-9pm

Rumfire 921-4600

Live Contemporary Hits

Jenna Keala (or Drew Henmi) 4:30-7:30pm

Alex Oasay 8-10:30pm

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 - DJ spins from 2-5pm

Kailua Moon & Dancer (or others) 4:30-7:30pm

Chris Luke 7:45-9:45pm

Swell at the Alohilani 294-4108

DJ KK Spins Poolside from 2-5 pm

Jason Laeha 6-9pm

The Beach Bar at the Moana Surfriider 922-3111

Live Contemporary Hawaiian

YOZA 12-3pm

Keoni Ku 3:30-6:30pm

Dave Watanabe (or Johnny Kukui) 7-10pm

The Edge at the Sheraton 921-4600

Live Hawaiian Music

Christian Yrizarry (or others) 1-4pm

Jesse Kuikahi 4:30-7:30pm

The Point Sunset Pool Bar at Turtle Bay 293-6000

Live Contemporary Hawaiian with Fireknife Dancer

Justin Edwards 5-8pm

Vintage 1901 at the Moana 921-4600

Contemporary Piano

David Swanson 6:30-10pm

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Dining Dish



Food is a big part of the holidays, from seasonal ingredients, to special dishes passed down through generations, to simply being a great reason to get together with family and friends around a table. Because of that, you can bet that most restaurants around town are offering special holiday prix-fixe menus. In addition to those, here's the latest about what's going on in the Honolulu food scene. • **Tim Ho Wan**, has expanded into a new location at Royal Hawaiian Center. Opening in early December, the restaurant has added seven new items to its menu, including their opening special, Custard French Toast Tim Ho Wan style. Now located in Building A, Level 3, the restaurant will be open daily from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. timhowanusa.com. • **Favorite Son** is now open at Romer Waikiki. Bringing new life to that end of Waikiki, the neighborhood eatery features "deli-meets-diner" faves such as hoagies, hot dogs, pizza, salads, bagels and breakfast as well as an extensive craft cocktail menu. Open daily from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. favoriteonwaikiki.com. • **ONKEE Korean Grill House** is now open for lunch daily from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The menu features a few popular items from the dinner menu, along with some new exclusive additions, starting at \$16. onkeehi.com. • Did you know that **Margotto Hawaii** now offers a truffle burger that they can deliver directly to your door? Indulge in this luxurious spin on an American burger with the launch of its truffle burger served with a side of crispy truffle fries. The new take away concept is primarily available for order via UberEats, but may also be ordered at the wine bar. A five-ounce burger costs \$27.88, while the eight-ounce burger is \$32.88. Call 592-8500 or go to margotto-hawaii.com. • Have you ever been served by a robot? Head over to **M.A.C. 24/7** to meet the brand new squad of restaurant robots designed to help staff members deliver food and bussing tables. The new technology aims to provide an overall faster, better and more adaptable dining experience, while augmenting staffing and enhancing guest satisfaction. M.A.C 24/7 is the first restaurant in Hawai'i to implement this robot technology. mac247waikiki.com



Chef's Corner

ONKEE Executive Chef Jwi Ho Jang

Chef Jwi Ho Jang was born in Daegu, Korea, and moved to Japan to study before landing a dream job with a three-starred Michelin restaurant, whose chef is committed to precision and tradition, and dedicates himself to nurturing younger chefs. Calling the chef his mentor, Chef Jang took those lessons to heart and has risen quickly in the restaurant world. Moving to Hawaii to open ONKEE, the restaurant strives to provide impeccable service, down to the servers handling the grill, and offer authentic, home-style cuisine, crafted with passion.

Tell us a bit about yourself?

I am originally from South Korea and became interested in becoming a chef after watching a cooking cartoon as a child.

What was your first job in the industry?

I started my career at a Kaiseki restaurant.

Where did you study culinary arts?

I studied at the Tsuji Culinary Institute in Osaka, Japan, focusing on Japanese cuisine.

Who would you consider your mentor?

My mentor is Chef Matsuo Hideaki from the first restaurant I worked at, as he not only taught me cooking techniques but also guided me on how to live as a chef.

Where did you work before coming here?

I worked at Osaka's premier Japanese restaurant, the three Michelin-starred Kashiwaya Osaka Senriyama, a traditional tea house-style restaurant specializing in elegantly plated kaiseki dishes. Recently I was the private chef for the chairman & vice chair of Hyosung Group.

Describe your style of cooking?

My cooking style focuses on highlighting the natural flavors and qualities of ingredients.

What makes the Onkee experience different?

Onkee is special because it offers a comfortable setting where guests can enjoy both traditional Korean cuisine and dry-aged beef, plus the servers do the cooking for you if you wish.

What does the name Onkee mean?

The name Onkee carries two meanings in Korean: the warmth of a mother's heart and the vitality represented by onggi, traditional Korean earthenware.

Tell us about your role at the restaurant?

I'm responsible for overall staff culinary training, menu development and ensuring beef quality.

How did you decide on the menu?

The menu at Onkee features Korean dishes reinterpreted in our unique style to feel both familiar and new to Hawaiian customers. Expect a selection of delicious appetizers, savory entrees, grilled meats, comforting soups, noodle dishes, and hearty stews.

Do you have any favorite dishes on the menu?

Yes! My favorite dishes are the Marinated galbi and the Yukhoe bibimbap. You have to try them when you visit!

Do you offer cocktails?

Yes, we offer a curated beverage program of food-friendly pairings consisting of wines, whiskeys, soju, Champagnes, draft beers, and classic cocktails.

How long have you lived in Hawaii?

I have been living in Hawaii for seven months now.

Had you visited here before?

Last October, I came here for about 10 days to explore local ingredients and dine at various restaurants.

What do you like most about living here?

Life in Hawaii is wonderful because I get to see the ocean every day.

What do you like to do most on your days off?

I like to explore some of the hiking trails around the island.

What's your favorite restaurant to go to when you're not working?

I love Merriman's and Bar Maze.

Is there anything else you'd like to share?

Yes, if you haven't come in yet, please do. We just opened for lunch and offer daily happy hour



Pork Belly with Green Onion Salad

Ingredients

80g	Green Onion	5g	Vinegar
5g	Sugar	5g	Sesame Oil
5g	Chili Pepper Powder	130g	Pork Belly

Directions: Slice green onions vertically as thin as you can. Soak sliced green onions in cold water for 5 minutes. Drain water and shake green onions dry. Mix sugar, chili, vinegar and sesame oil in a separate bowl to make salad dressing. Pour dressing onto green onions and mix well. Set aside. Heat your wok or pan with 1 tablespoon vegetable oil until just smoking, and add the pork belly. Stir fry the pork belly, turning down the heat to medium and cooking the pork until just crispy and browned (about 6 minutes). Remove the crispy pork belly from the wok and set aside. Season with salt as needed. Enjoy!

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DECEMBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Continuing Events

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 p.m. shopinternationalmarketplace.com.

TUESDAY THRU SATURDAY ARTS AT MARKS LATEST EXHIBIT

Get artsy with your holiday gift at the Holiday Art Fair at the Arts at Marks. Browse through a wide variety of at least 150 art pieces. Meet the Artists at Pau Hana Friday on the first and final Friday of the month from 5 - 8 p.m. In honor of the holiday extravaganza, there will be two additional meet-and-greets on Dec. 13 - 14. Open Tues-Sat. 12 - 5 p.m. artsatmarks.com.

TUESDAY THRU SATURDAY INPEACE PRESENTS KAULELE

INPEACE Kaulele at Helumoa featuring Hawaiian culture and science exhibits on Loko l'a (Hawaiian fishpond), Kapa (Hawaiian Barkcloth), and Kaulana Mahina (Hawaiian Lunar Calendar). These interactive exhibits offer attendees of all ages the opportunity to kilo (observe), 'imi loa (explore), and noi'i (investigate). Tuesday - Friday: 11 a.m. - 6 p.m., Saturday 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. Admission \$3 - \$10. Open across from the Waikiki Food Hall through March 29, 2025. inpeace.org/events.

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

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

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 in Waikiki Beach Walk every Friday evening from 4 to 9 p.m. through the end of January. parkwestgallery.com/hawaii.

FIRST FRIDAY (DECEMBER 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 (DECEMBER 13) BISHOP MUSEUM AFTER HOURS

Enjoy after-hours access to the Museum with a special Pau Hana. Experience unique changing exhibits, hear the latest scientific discoveries, engage with Hawaiian cultural practitioners, and spend the evening on the Great Lawn with food and drink for sale. 5 - 9 p.m. \$10 at the door. (\$5 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. honolulumuseum.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 (DECEMBER 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 (DECEMBER 8) KAMA'AINA SUNDAYS

'Iolani Palace welcomes all residents to Kama'aina Sunday when guests can explore the Palace, immerse themselves in Hawaiian culture, taste 'ono food, support local vendors, enjoy lively entertainment, and more. Take advantage of free tours, entertainment, family-friendly activities and plenty of food options with proof of residency. Free tours will be available to the first 500 guests. 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. iolanipalace.org.

FOURTH SUNDAY (DECEMBER 22) COMMUNITY DAY

The last Community Day of the year moves back a week to December 22. Admission is free for Hawai'i residents. Enjoy exploring the galleries and outdoor spaces, or try your skills at one of their Gallery Hunts. 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. 532-8700. honolulumuseum.org.

NOVEMBER 29-DECEMBER 1 35TH ISLANDWIDE CRAFTS & FOOD EXPO

Browse through this Christmas crafts & food expo. Find crafts, 'ono foods, warmhearted vendors, plus live entertainment, giveaways, games, tons of fun, Christmas spirit and aloha. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Blaisdell Exhibition Hall. islandwideexpos.com.

DECEMBER 1 JO KOY WORLD TOUR

A third show was added since the first two sold out for one of Hawaii's favorite comedians, and this is it. Blaisdell Arena. \$44.50 - \$99. ticketmaster.com.



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DECEMBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DECEMBER 1

A FLOCK OF SEAGULLS & STRANGELOVE

A Flock of Seagulls were one of the infamous one-hit wonders of the new wave era with their hit "I Ran" (So Far Away) and their infamous haircuts, are coming to the Hawaii Theatre will be joined by Strangelove – and their Depeche Mode experience for an evening of 80s faves. 8 p.m. \$74.50-\$89.50. hawaii theatre.com.

DECEMBER 1

HO'OKENA FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Ho'okena continues the holiday celebration with their classics featuring Malia Gibson. 7 p.m. Tickets \$35-\$45. bluenotehawaii.com.

DECEMBER 1

TOYS FOR TOTS BIKE RIDE

Get ready for some rumbling along Kalakaua Avenue, as over 4,000 motorcycles are expected to ride from Magic Island to the Waikiki Shell to drop off a gift as part of the 50th anniversary Street Bikers United Toys for Tots Caravan. Roads are closed from 10:30 a.m. – noon. sbuhi.org.

DECEMBER 2 - 3

DIONNE WARWICK

One of the most-charted vocalists of all time, Dionne Warwick, is still going strong at 83, is coming to Hawaii for two special shows featuring her greatest hits. One performance each night at 7 p.m. Tickets: \$95-\$125. bluenotehawaii.com.

DECEMBER 2 - 29

HONOLULU CITY LIGHTS

Downtown lights up in celebration every night of the season with the annual Honolulu City Lights. Enjoy opening night festivities on December 7th at 5:30 p.m. The Electric Light Parade starts at River Street and goes to Honolulu Hale where Mayor Blangiardi lights the City Holiday Tree around 6:30 p.m. honolulucitylights.com.

DECEMBER 3-4 • CHEF CHAI'S

35TH ANNIVERSARY WINE DINNER

One of the island's most beloved chefs is celebrating his 35th anniversary with a special five-course dinner paired with wines from the award winning Caymus Vineyard, including its 50th anniversary Cabernet Sauvignon. 6 p.m. Tickets: \$135. chefchai.com.

DECEMBER 5-6

BLXST - I'LL ALWAYS COME FIND YOU TOUR

The popular rapper, singer and songwriter BLXST wraps up his current tour with two dates in Honolulu, one of which is already sold out. He will be joined by Zacari, following their recent collaboration from her debut album, Bliss. \$42.50. 8 p.m. The Republik. bampproject.com.

DECEMBER 6

HENRY KAPONO & FRIENDS

Join Henry Kapono and special guest Alx Kawakami will be joined by different guest artists at each show. Two shows at 6:30 and 9 p.m. Tickets: \$35-\$45. bluenotehawaii.com.

DECEMBER 6

FIRST FRIDAY HALE'IWA

Enjoy a night of art, music, and community at the First Friday Hale'iwa Art Walk at The Fixx Hale'iwa in the North Shore Marketplace. Meet and support local artists, and a portion of the art

sales will benefit the Haleiwa Waiialua Historical Society. 6-9 p.m. firstfridayhaleiwa.com.

DECEMBER 7

KALAKAUA MERRIE MILE

This fun little one-mile race in Waikiki followed by a beach party is a great way to get geared up for the Honolulu Marathon the next morning. The race goes in waves based on predicted finish time. The last wave will be the pros seeking a sub-4-minute mile. Children of all ages are welcome to run the Merrie Mile. The race finishes at Queen's Beach. 7 a.m. honolulumarathon.org.

DECEMBER 7

PEARL HARBOR MEMORIAL PARADE

Commemorate the anniversary of World War II with this special parade that takes place on the anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor to honor and pay respect to those that lost their lives, the survivors, our veterans, active-duty military, and their families. 2,000 marchers, Lighted Cobra and Huey helicopters, floats, and bands parade down Kalakaua Avenue in Waikiki to honor the fallen, the survivors, and all veterans. Open ceremony begins at 4:30 p.m. at Fort DeRussy. The parade starts at 6 p.m. and winds down Kalakaua Avenue. A closing ceremony takes place at the Waikiki Shell at 7:30 p.m. pearlharborparade.org.

DECEMBER 7 • HAPA HOLIDAY

EXTRAVAGANZA WITH THE HAPASYMPHONY

Kick off the holiday season with a Holiday

Extravaganza with the Hawaii Symphony Orchestra for a special Christmas concert like no other. \$10.50-\$109. 7:30 p.m. Hawaii Theatre. hawaisymphonyorchestra.org.

DECEMBER 7-8

JUDY COLLINS

The award-winning singer-songwriter is known for her stunning rendition of Joni Mitchell's "Both Sides Now" from her 1967 album, Wildflowers, has been entered into the Grammy Hall of Fame. Judy's dreamy version of "Send in the Clowns" won "Song of the Year" at the 1975 Grammy Awards. Sat. 6:30 p.m., Sun. 4 p.m. and 8 p.m. Tickets: \$45-\$75. bluenotehawaii.com.

DECEMBER 8

ALII SUNDAY

Kawaiahao Church celebrates select Hawaiian Alii who are of particular importance for the Church by holding seven special Sunday services in their honor around their birthdays throughout the year. Today they celebrate Kamehameha V. 9 a.m. kawaiahao.org.

DECEMBER 8

HONOLULU MARATHON

The Honolulu Marathon is held annually on the second Sunday of December. With around 25,000 runners each year, the Honolulu Marathon is the 4th largest marathon in the US. The gun goes off at 5 a.m. at Ala Moana Beach Park. Prepare for a day filled with closed roads and traffic delays. honolulumarathon.org.

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DECEMBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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DECEMBER 11-12

HOW THE GRINCH STOLE CHRISTMAS

The Hawai'i Symphony Orchestra brings to life "How the Grinch Stole Christmas," starring Jim Carrey. Watch Cindy Lou Who on the big screen as the orchestra will perform live to the film score. 7 p.m. \$25-\$89. hawaii theatre.com.

DECEMBER 11-15

ROBERT CAZIMERO CHRISTMAS SHOWS

The legendary Robert Cazimero performs his equally as legendary Christmas Show at Chai's Island Bistro. Enjoy an evening of great food, Hawaiian Music, hula, and friends. Dinner at 5:30, show at 6:30 p.m. \$109. 585-0011.

DECEMBER 12-13, 19-20 • THE GREEN

One of the most successful and beloved bands in the reggae world, Oahu's own The Green is playing eight shows, four of which have already sold out! Two shows nightly at 6:30 & 9 p.m. Tickets: \$65 - \$85. bluenotehawaii.com.

DECEMBER 13

STREETLIGHT CADENCE REUNION SHOW

Don't miss this amazing reunion of Hawai'i's legendary sidewalk band, Streetlight Cadence, the recipients of multiple Nā Hōkū Hanohano Awards and received an Emmy® nomination. 7 p.m. \$24-\$65. hawaii theatre.com.

DECEMBER 14

CHERRY POPPIN' DADDIES TI KHI CHRISTMAS

In the past few years Cherry Poppin' Daddies have become the kind of band that you would want to book if you were throwing a soiree at the Gatsby mansion. The Daddies have surprised many- familiar with them from their 90's punk/ska "Zoot Suit Riot" days. Two shows at 6:30 and 9 p.m. Tickets: \$35-\$45. bluenotehawaii.com.

DECEMBER 14

CHRISTMAS WITH THE MAKAHA SONS

Continue the holiday celebration with The Mākaha Sons as they are joined by pals Robi Kahakalau, and others for an evening of holiday favorites. 7 pm. \$40-\$55. hawaii theatre.com.

DECEMBER 14 -15 • THE NUTCRACKER

Hawaii's favorite holiday tradition returns as Ballet Hawaii brings back its popular version of The Nutcracker, set in the 1858 Kingdom of Hawaii. Tickets: \$45 - \$125. Sat. 7:30 p.m., Sun. 2 p.m. Blaisdell Arena. ballethawaii.org.

DECEMBER 14 -15

MELE KALIKIMAKA MARKETPLACE

Honolulu's one-stop local holiday shop for Made in Hawaii products, holiday gifts, and crafts returns to the Blaisdell Exhibition Hall. Tickets: \$6. Sat. 10 a.m. - 8 p.m., Sun. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. melekalikimakamarketplace.com

DECEMBER 15 • JINGLE ROCK RUN

The annual 2.5-mile fun community walk/run welcomes walkers, joggers, runners, pets, reindeer and more. Enjoy live entertainment along the way and enjoy theat the festival afterwards at the Ko Olina Resort Lagoon. 3-6 p.m. hawaii.wish.org.

DECEMBER 15 • ALII SUNDAY

Kawaiahao Church celebrates select Hawaiian Alii who are important to church in their honor of their birthday. Today they celebrate Princess Bernice Pauahi Bishop. 9 a.m. kawaiahao.org.

DECEMBER 15

HOLIDAY BRUNCH WITH FRANK DELIMA

One of Hawaii's favorite funny men, Frank DeLima presents a holiday show celebrating 50 years of comedy. Brunch begins at 11:30 p.m. Show at 1p.m. \$35-\$45. bluenotehawaii.com.

DECEMBER 18

UKULELE ALL-STARS CHRISTMAS

Celebrate the holidays with the joyful sound of 'ukulele as four award-winning ukulele artists Cynthia Lin, Brittini Paiva, Kalei Gamiao & Abe Lagrimas, Jr. gather for a fun and cozy kanikapila-jam showcasing classic songs of the season. 7 p.m. \$25-\$35. bluenotehawaii.com.

DECEMBER 19-25

SEVEN NIGHTS OF CHRISTMAS

Continue the yuletide cheer with authentic music and mele during Waikiki Beach Walk's annual, week-long celebration featuring hula and music from well-known entertainers. Free. 6 to 7 p.m. nightly. waikikibeachwalk.com.

DECEMBER 20 • DON MCLEAN

Enjoy an evening of hit songs and holiday classics from Hall of Fame Inductee, Don McLean. His 1971 hit "American Pie," his famous eight-and-a-half-minute folk rock song. 8 p.m. Tickets: \$49-\$99. hawaii theatre.com.

DECEMBER 20-22

HAWAII HOLIDAY CRAFT & GIFT FAIR

Get ready to get your holiday shopping on with close to 200 local vendors. Check their website for a coupon for a few dollars off entry prices for you and 5 of your friends. Blaisdell Exhibition Hall. Fri. 2-7 p.m., Sat. 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Sun. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Tickets: \$7. hawaii holidayfair.com.

DECEMBER 21

KALANI PE'A'S HAWAIIAN CHRISTMAS SHOW

Three-time Grammy winner Kalani Pe'a will be joined by Starr Kalahiki, Natalie Ai Kamaau and other friends for this special Christmas show sharing much-loved songs of the season as Pe'a showcases his voice, powerful presence, and captivating style that is not-to-be-missed. \$45-\$100. 7 p.m. hawaii theatre.com.

The Hawaii Food & Wine Festival 2024 is a wrap!

The team behind HFWF outdid themselves yet again with a stellar series of events last month. Here's a peek into this year's festivities. **Top row from L-R:** Chef Vikram Garg, Chef Justine Ma, Reeti Chauhan, Chef Maneet Chauhan; Chris Vitiello of Wagner Family of Wines; Chef Colin Sato; Chef Lenny Messina, sunset falls on the final event at Ko Olina. **Bottom row L-R:** Iron Chef Morimoto with his team, Chef Brady Ishiwata Williams; Mixologists Michael Jensen, Shauna O'Neil, and Jen Ackrill; Chef Elizabeth Falkner, Chef Jacqueline Lau, Mixologist Julie Reiner; Knox Clendenen of Au Bon Climat; Chef Susur Lee; Maneet with Kristen Lau-Grover, HFWF Marketing Director and Chef Rick Bayless with his team. I can't wait to see what they do in honor of their 15th anniversary next year!



EVENTS CON'T

DECEMBER 21

CHRISTMAS IN HAWAII WITH KIMIE MINER

Kimie Miner celebrates the holidays with a special concert. Two shows at 6:30 and 9 p.m. \$35-\$45. bluenotehawaii.com.

DECEMBER 21

ANDREW SCHULZ THE LIFE TOUR

One of the most influential names in comedy today, Andrew Schulz is known for his unapologetic and unsafe comedy. He is currently the most viewed comedian in the world. \$45-\$99.50. Blaisdell Arena. ticketmaster.com.

DECEMBER 22, 23 & 25

DIAMOND HEAD CLASSIC

The 15th annual college basketball tournament will consist of eight teams competing in twelve games over three days in a traditional bracket format. Tickets: \$10-\$140 Stan Sheriff Center. diamondheadclassic.com.

DECEMBER 24 • HAWAII BOWL

The Easy Post Hawai'i Bowl takes place at the Clarence T.C. Ching Athletics Complex. \$30-\$75. 3 p.m. thehawaiibowl.com.

DECEMBER 24-25

A CHARLIE BROWN CHRISTMAS

Mike Lewis presents the 8th Annual Charlie Brown Christmas featuring some of Hawaii's best jazz musicians. Two shows at 6:30 and 9 p.m. Tickets: \$25-\$35. bluenotehawaii.com.

DECEMBER 27-28, 30-31

AN INTIMATE EVENING WITH IAM TONGI

Hawaii's own American Idol, Iam Tongi returns home for a series of 8 performances, including two on New Years Eve. Two shows at 6:30 and 9 p.m., on NYE, shows will be at 8 and 11 p.m. Tickets: \$85-\$95. bluenotehawaii.com.

DECEMBER 28-29

EVENING TOURS AT THE PALACE

Every year at this time, guests are invited to enjoy 'Iolani Palace by moonlight during the Queen Kapi'olani Evening Tours. On these two nights, guests will have the opportunity to take a trip back in time and experience the Palace as it was during a 19th-century soiree hosted by the Hawaiian monarchs. Tickets: \$50, \$25 for ages 6-12. iolanipalace.org.

DECEMBER 29

DRAG QUEEN BRUNCH BINGO

Looking to spice up your Sunday Brunch? Head over to Hard Rock Cafe for Drag Queen Brunch Bingo with your host, Candi Shell. 12 - 2 p.m. \$30 includes a complimentary drink and bingo cards. Make your reservations early at opentable.com.

DECEMBER 31 • DREW LYNCH

Comedian and actor Drew Lynch captured the hearts of America with his Golden Buzzer performance on Season 10 of "America's Got Talent," where he finished in second. Since then, Drew has amassed millions of followers on social media while touring the world to sold out audiences. 8 p.m. \$39-\$79. hawaii theatre.com.

DECEMBER 31

GRAB YOUR FUKUBUKURO DEALS EARLY

The International Market Place is offering shoppers twice the Fukubukuro fun, by offering them two days to grab those beloved discounted mystery bags, starting a day early on December 31, as well as on January 1.

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Hard Rock Cafe is serving breakfast from 8 a.m. to noon daily, and invited the industry to come check it out for themselves. Although they had to present food in a buffet format to ensure people had food as soon as they ran in and could leave as fast as they needed to, many of the breakfast signature items weren't on display, the team walked around and informed everyone of the new menu while they were there. cafe.hardrock.com/honolulu.



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 • **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*
 • **TWThFS** - Live Jazz 8:30pm - 12am, *Lewers Lounge*
 • **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
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 Vintage1901, 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
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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 waterfal 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
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
 • **TueSat** - 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.
HAWAI'I STATE ART MUSEUM 586-0900
 • **Mon-Sat** - 'Museum Interpreters' on-site to provide visitors with basic information about the museum and artwork. Special evening events as listed below. Open 10am - 4pm.
 • **1stFri** - Live entertainment and food vendors. 6-9pm
 • **2ndFri** - "Vibe" Jazz performances & food vendors. 6-9pm
 • **4thFri** - Hawaiian music night. 6-9pm
 • **3rdSat** - Family Arts & Crafts Day 11am - 3pm
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 botton 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.
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'uiipo. 9am
 • **Fri** - Royal Hawaiian Band. Free. 12-1pm
 • **SunMon** - Museum Closed
LUCORAL MUSEUM 778-8189
 • **Mon-Fri** - Free self-guided tours featuring local and global gemstones and a one-of-a-kind dinosaur egg. Visitors can also create their own one-of-a-kind 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*
 • **2ndSat** - Malama Market 11am-4pm. *Mauka Wing Level 2*
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, 6pm. *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, *Helumoa Hale*
 • **Mon** - Free Ukelele Lessons 11pm, *Helumoa 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 Ukelele Store offers free lessons at 4:30pm
 • **Tues** - Ku Ha'aeo Hula Show. 4:30-6pm. *Plaza Stage*
 • **Sun** - Free hula lessons, 9-10am



- BALI OCEANFRONT**
 20% off all Food & Beverage. Hilton Hawaiian Village, 941-2254.
GUAVA SMOKED
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HAWAIIAN MISSION HOUSES
 Free tour with hotel ID. 553 S. King Street. 447-3910.
IOLANI PALACE
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