

## Waikīkī Wiki Wiki Wire

# "Island to Island for Haiti" Benefit Concert Under the Stars to Feature Gourmet Food and Great Music

The "Island to Island for Haiti" benefit concert at the Hilton Hawaiian Village Beach Resort & Spa has all the makings of a magical night in Waikiki this Friday, February 12. The event will feature some of the best in island music, complemented by food samplings by chefs from nearly a dozen hotels. The evening under the stars will be capped off by Hilton's Friday night fireworks extravaganza.

Executive chefs from some of Oahu's most esteemed dining outlets have created a smorgasbord of gourmet offerings. Participating with food stations will be Halekulani, Hilton Waikiki Prince Kuhio, Hyatt Waikiki, Kahala Hotel & Resort, Marriott Waikiki. Moana Surfrider-A Westin Resort, Sheraton Waikiki, Sheraton Princess Kaiulani, The Royal Hawaiian, Doubletree Alana Hotel - Waikiki and Hilton Hawaiian Village. The menu will include pepper-coated Pulehu barbecue beef, soy-marinated butterfish, Kahuku shrimp and crab cake, "Tres Taco Bar" with condiments, Hawaiian fresh fish sandwich with pickled ginger, kalua pork enchilada, olive oil-poached salmon, and kiawe smoked beef brisket and pork shoulder among others. Desserts will include tiramisu and chocolate chip cookie sundaes.



Hawaii legends Cecilio & Kapono will be joined by Amy Hanaiali`i, Jimmy Borges and Ledward Kaapana, along with performances by Raiatea Helm, Taimane Gardner, Afatia Thompson and the ladies and gentlemen of Tihati Productions.

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The festivities get underway at 5 p.m. on the Hilton's Great Lawn near the Duke Kahanamoku Lagoon. A suggested donation of \$20 will be collected at the door and food booths will serve samplings for just \$3 a plate. Beer, wine, water and soft drinks will be priced at just \$3 each. One-hundred percent of the proceeds will

go to the Red Cross' International Response Fund for Haiti. Tickets are currently on sale in the Hilton lobby for those who want to get their tickets before the event.

The benefit concert was the brainchild of Jerry Gibson, area vice president of Hilton Hawaii, who personally made calls to fellow hoteliers to join the effort. "It certainly has been difficult to hear the tragic stories emanating from Haiti. Each reported incident is one of horror, hopelessness and grief," said Gibson. "I felt that we should and could do something as a community to help out this ravaged island," he continued.

In addition to the hotels participating with food stations, other companies donating products and services include: Alsco, American Express Travel Services, Anheuser Busch, Audio Visual Technologies, Bale Bakery, Bates/Lee Advertising, Certified Hawaiian, Clear Channel Radio, Coca Cola Bottling Company, Constellation Wine Co., Cox Radio, Design Logix, Electric Pencil, Group 70 International, Hamakua Mushrooms, Hawaii Care and Cleaning, Hawaii Explosives & Pyrotechnics,



Pepper-coated Pulehu BBQ beef with watercress, bean sprouts salad and ginger teriyaki drizzle, prepared by Chef Ralf Bauer of Sheraton Princess Kaiulani.

Inc., HFM Foodservice, Hilton Grand Vacations Club, Honolulu Recovery, Honolulu Advertiser, Honolulu Star Bulletin, Honolulu Disposal, Hookipa Enterprises, Ilikai Hotel, International Convention and Event Services, Jet Graphics, Kona Brewing Company, Las Vegas Hilton, Lima Kiawe, MC&A, Meadow Gold, Obun Printing, Premium, Inc., Roundtable Pizza, Southern Wine and Spirits, SpeediShuttle, Team Clean, Tihati Productions, Unite Here, Waikiki Beach Activities and Xerox Corporation.

Validated self-parking will be offered at a nominal \$5 fee in the Hilton's garage. Or, \$5 validated valet parking is also available at Ilikai Hotel. For further information visit www.hiltonhawaiianvillage.com/haiti.

# Hilton Hawaiian Village Rings in Chinese New Year

The 2010 Narcissus Queen and Her Court will ring in the Year of the Tiger at Hilton Hawaiian Village Beach Resort & Spa's Chinese New Year Celebration this Sunday, February 14 at 6 p.m. at the Tapa Bar. Helping

with the festivities will be the 61st Narcissus Queen Angie Zhang, who was officially crowned Narcissus Queen on January 30 at the Narcissus Coronation Ball at the Hilton Hawaiian Village. Following the introduction of the Court, there'll be firecrackers and a lion dance throughout the resort. Kung Hee Fat Choy!

In the photo from left to right: Karen Chang, 3<sup>rd</sup> Princess; Selena Qiu, 1<sup>st</sup> Princess; Narcissus Queen Angie Zhang; Megan Chun, 2<sup>nd</sup> Princess and Bonnie Von, 4<sup>th</sup> Princess.



## Chinese Restaurant News names Seafood Village Chinese Cuisine as the Third Best Overall Excellence Winner of Chinese Restaurants For 2009

Restaurants recognized at 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Top100 Chinese Restaurants in the USA Awards Show

Chinese Restaurant News recently announced that Seafood Village Chinese Cuisine located in Honolulu, Hawaii, is the No. 6 Chinese restaurant in the country. The announcement was made at the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Top100 Chinese Restaurants in the USA Awards show held at The Venetian in Las Vegas. With more than 45,000 Chinese eateries in the United States, the national event organized by Chinese Restaurant News recognizes, cultivates and preserves the best in Chinese cuisine. The winners were announced by celebrity chef Lee Anne Wong, former contestant on the Bravo television show "Top Chef," and Master Chef Martin Yan, host of the national cooking show "Yan Can Cook."

Specializing in Chinese fusion cuisine, this fine dining restaurant is located in the Hyatt Regency Waikiki Resort and Spa. Seafood Village Chinese Cuisine offers contemporary Chinese dining prepared by Master Chef Sonny So. Seafood Village is the only restaurant in Hawaii included in the Top100 ranking. Residents and visitors alike have made this establishment one of their favorite stops in Waikiki. The popular restaurant seats 175 guests and has VIP rooms for private functions of almost any size. Chef So's new menu items include appetizers and main dishes from both the land and sea offering something for everyone. Bacon wrapped Scallops and Shrimp, Lemon Chicken, Kahuku Prawns done seven ways, Lobster Cheese Mein, and Country style Dungeness Crab have become "must-haves" on their starstudded menu.

"With these awards, we acknowledge those restaurateurs who excel at the overall experience: exceptional food and magnificent service in beautiful restaurants. Seafood Village Chinese Cuisine is an extraordinary example of that level of success," said Betty Xie, editor-in-chief of *Chinese Restaurant News*. "We established the Top100 awards because Chinese cuisine has become a major part of the American culture. From suburban buffets to high-end restaurants, Chinese cuisine has become a food staple for Americans."

On an average day, Americans consume 2.5 million meals Sous Chef J. H. Chen prepared in Chinese restaurants. Grossing more than \$20 billion in annual sales, Chinese food has become a fixture of the American daily dining scene.



The Seafood Village award-winning team: L-R Sous Chef S. H. Lu, Chef Sonny So, and Sous Chef J. H. Chen

To qualify for the Overall Excellence Award, restaurants must receive positive industry or customer recognition and must be in business a minimum of two years, except for those qualifying in the Top Rising Star category. Restaurant menus also must consist of at least 50 percent Chinese cuisine, except for those qualifying in the Asian Restaurants category. The final results are tabulated with Mystery Diner's scores from an independent third party and direct votes from the public at large. The top 100 highest-scoring restaurants from across 10 categories achieve the Overall Excellence Award. These award-winning restaurants demonstrate the highest standards of cuisine, décor, service and cleanliness.

The Top100 competition is open to all Chinese restaurants in the U.S. Participating restaurants include newly established restaurants, seasoned restaurants, chain restaurants and past award-winners. A comprehensive list of all the winners can be found at <a href="http://www.top100chineserestaurants.com">http://www.top100chineserestaurants.com</a>.

## Chef Nobu Matsuhisa returns to Nobu Waikiki February 9 – 12, 2010

~ MA'O Inspired Omakase, Sushi & Sake Class, Aperitivo Party ~

Chef Nobu Matsuhisa is set to return to the islands and his Hawaii flagship restaurant, Nobu Waikiki at the Waikiki Parc Hotel, February 9 – 12, 2010. Nobu's visit will feature the following:

February 9 – 13, "Nightly MA'O Inspired Omakase Menu" During this visit, Chef Nobu will be working with emerging Waianae farmers of MA'O Organic Farms to design an Omakase menu inspired by the rich harvest of organic produce from the 16.5-acre farm located in Lualualei Valley, Waianae. 20% of the nightly specialty menu will benefit the farm's sustainable internship programs, land expansion, scholarships and community G.I.V.E days at MA'O <a href="https://www.maoorganicfarms.org">www.maoorganicfarms.org</a>. Omakase available for \$125, per person.

Thursday, February 11, "Art of Sushi & Sake Tasting Class" Chef Nobu will conduct his first Hawaii-based "Art of Sushi & Sake Tasting Class." With only eight (8) exclusive sushi bar seats available, Nobu will demonstrate the art of creating his world-renowned signature sushi and cold dishes. From selecting fish, carving techniques, masterful platting and sake pairings, guests will also receive a personalized cookbook, Nobu-apron, masu and maki sushi. Following the sushi class, participants will enjoy lunch with Chef Nobu. Available for \$300, per person. Space is limited. RSVP and deposit required at 808.237.6999.

February 11, "Cocktails & Aperitivo with Chef Nobu"

Join Chef Nobu in the Lounge at Nobu Waikiki for an *Aperitivo!* his signature happy hour. From 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., enjoy the three-course Aperitivo for \$18 and MA'O inspired cocktails by Bar Manager Dave Newman. Personalize

your favorite Nobu cookbook during this rare cocktail party with the world-renowned chef himself.





#### Nobu Waikiki Hours of Operation

Dinner from 5:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, and 5:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Friday through Saturday.

The Lounge at Nobu is open from 5:00 p.m. – midnight nightly, and features *Aperitivo* (happy hour) from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Beachwear is prohibited. Valet is available at Waikiki Parc Hotel's Helumoa porte-cochere.

Reservations available at (808) 237-6999 or <a href="https://www.opentable.com">www.opentable.com</a>.

# Year of the Tiger Celebrations with Outrigger

Chinese New Year is celebrated around the world and even more so, here in Hawaii. Its purpose is to honor Heaven and Earth, family ancestors and gods, and to bring good luck for the coming year. This year, there will be a variety of events happening at the Outrigger Reef, Wyndham Waikiki Beach Walk, Embassy Suites® - Waikiki Beach Walk®, Waikiki Beach Walk®, and the Outrigger Waikiki, to welcome Year of the Tiger.

One of the most recognizable dances to celebrate Chinese New Year is the Lion Dance. There are many ancient legends in Chinese folklore that recount the origins of the Lion Dance. One popular tale comes from Southern China's Kwangtung province: "A savage beast would appear once a year to terrorize a small village. A visiting monk, having witnessed the terror, instructed the villagers to build a 'monster' to scare off the menace. They fashioned a large head from bamboo, covered in bright paper, and a body was sewn together from long pieces of cloth. They also filled bamboo shoots with gunpowder. When the New Year arrived, the beast returned to terrorize the villagers but was greeted by the 'monster' manned by two of their best martial artists. These 'dancers' started scuffling about, bringing the bamboo and paper construction to life, while the villagers banged on pots and pans and threw their homemade firecrackers. The frightened beast scurried away, never to return again. Hence a creature was constructed each New Year's Eve, as a way of bidding farewell to the old year and to welcome in the new. Over time, it became an animal that is believed to bring good fortune and blessings, while chasing away bad luck."

Mark your calendars for these exciting Chinese New Year celebrations:

Outrigger Reef, February 13

3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Andy Chan from Island Jewelry is sponsoring an exciting Pole Jumping "Jong" Lion Dance and Lion Blessing by the Chinese Lion Dance Association.

Waikiki Beach Walk® and Wyndham Vacation Ownership 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

The Lung Kong Physical Culture Club Lion will perform a traditional Lion Dance beginning at the Wyndham Waikiki Beach Walk Lobby, traversing through the shops, and restaurants at Waikiki Beach Walk, to the Embassy Suites - Waikiki Beach Walk Lobby, and then to the Grand Lanai for a final Lion Blessing.

Embassy Suites® - Waikiki Beach Walk, February 13 8 p.m.

Moonlight Movie - Enjoy a free showing of the sweet romantic-comedy "The Proposal" poolside on Saturday, February 13, 2010, at 8 p.m. Guests may watch this popular motion picture under the stars from inside the heated swimming pool on floating rafts or while enjoying cocktails and snacks on one of the resort's chaise lounges. The movie (titles and show times subject to change) will be shown on a screen of grand proportion, 10 feet by 14 feet in size, on the resort's Grand Lanai. Limited space is available, so be sure to arrive early to secure a spot.

Outrigger Waikiki, February 20 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.

The Kong's Siu Lum Pai Kung Fu Association will be conducting their annual Lion Dance celebration throughout the lobby and entrance to property. A food tasting, featuring traditional Chinese delicacies, will be one of the highlights of the event. Guests will learn the art of making

Chinese Lanterns and children's toys from members of the 'ohana.

## A Rare Opportunity For Wine Connoisseurs

Hyatt Regency Waikiki Beach Resort and Spa, located at 2424 Kalakaua Avenue, invites wine connoisseurs to *Cakebread Cellars Wine Dinner* on Tuesday, February 23, 2010. The four-course meal and reception on the third floor ocean-side terrace, begins at 5:30 p.m. and features guest speaker, Dennis Cakebread. Reservations are available at (808) 237-6140. The price is \$125 per person and seating is limited.

The Cakebread family has been serving premium wine drinkers for over thirty years, and during that time, the family name has grown in popularity. The *Cakebread Cellars Wine Dinner* will give wine lovers an opportunity to taste select wines, eat fine food, and learn from an industry leader.

"It's always great to get a representative such as Dennis [Cakebread] to speak the wisdom of the winery from a first hand experience point of view," says Vincent Brunetti, food and beverage director at Hyatt Regency Waikiki Beach Resort and Spa.

The select wines for the evening include: the Reception Wine, 2008 Cakebread Cellars Sauvignon Blanc; First Course, 2006 Cakebread Cellars Reserve Chardonnay; Second Course, 2006 Cakebread Cellars Pinot Noir:

Third Course, 2006 Dancing Bear Ranch Cakebread Cellars Cabernet Sauvignon; and Fourth Course, 2006 Cakebread Cellars Zinfandel.



For more information about the *Cakebread Cellars Wine Dinner* at Hyatt Regency Waikiki Beach Resort and Spa, please call (808) 237-6140. Information about Cakebread Cellars is available online at <a href="https://www.cakebread.com">www.cakebread.com</a>.

## Mardi Gras Parade on February 16

A Mardi Gras Parade will be held throughout the International Market Place and Waikiki Town Center on Fat Tuesday, February 16, 2010, from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

The parade, put on by Derek Daniels Productions, will feature a 4-piece New Orleans marching band and dancers in festive costumes handing out colorful Mardi Gras beads! A face-painting artist will also be available in the Trader Vic's courtyard to add to the festivities. Come and join the celebration!



# You could feel like a "Millionaire" with Outrigger's One Million HawaiianMiles Sweepstakes

Grand prize is a dream ticket for a journey to a million unforgettable memories

Outrigger Hotels & Resorts and Hawaiian Airlines have teamed up to offer the ultimate grand-prize giveaway – one million HawaiianMiles – enough to fly around the whole world! Individuals can enter to win this experience of a lifetime from February 9 to March 31, 2010, either online or by mail.

HawaiianMiles is the frequent-flyer program sponsored and administered by Hawaiian Airlines.

"Outrigger's 'One Million HawaiianMiles Sweepstakes' will give one lucky HawaiianMiles member a chance to explore exotic destinations, visit favorite places, and travel to wherever their endless imagination takes them. Big adventure awaits for the winner of one million HawaiianMiles!" said Robert L. Solomon, Senior Vice President & Chief Marketing Officer from Outrigger.

"To add some perspective, this dream prize of one million HawaiianMiles equates up to 25 roundtrips between Hawaii and the mainland US. Or up to 66 inter-island roundtrip flights. The winner could even opt to fly around the world utilizing the miles on Hawaiian Airlines partner airlines," said Rick Peterson, Vice President, Marketing and Sales of Hawaiian Airlines.

Outrigger Hotels & Resorts can be found in many places Hawaiian flies: Oahu, Maui, Kauai, and the Island of Hawaii. And Hawaiian Airlines offers non-stop service to a host of cities popular with islanders including Las Vegas, Los Angeles, Seattle, and even Manila.

The grandprize of one million HawaiianMiles has an approximate retail value of \$25,000. Three second-place prize winners will receive five nights at an Outrigger resort in Waikiki, valued at \$3,295.

#### How to Enter

- Online Log on to: <a href="http://www.outrigger.com/MillionMiles">http://www.outrigger.com/MillionMiles</a> and subscribe to future Outrigger promotional emails by completing the registration process. To receive an extra entry into the sweepstakes, submit five valid email addresses on the refer-a-friend page.
- OR by Mail On a 3x5 postcard write your first and last name, full mailing address, a contact phone number and email address and mail to Outrigger Hotels Hawaii, ATTN: SWEEPSTAKES ENTRY, 2375 Kuhio Avenue, Honolulu, Hawaii, 96815. Postcard entries must be postmarked no later than April 1, 2010, and received by Outrigger no later than April 15, 2010.

A random drawing to select the winners will be conducted on or about April 30, 2010. The odds of winning will depend upon the number of eligible entries received.

Sweepstakes entrants must be legal residents of the 50 United States and the District of Columbia, who are 21 years of age or older and have online access as of the date of entry. Officers, directors, employees or agents of Outrigger Hotels Hawaii or any of its affiliated companies, Hawaiian Airlines, Inc. or any of its affiliated companies, or any vendors of the Outrigger Entities or the Hawaiian Airline Entities and their immediate families or persons living in the same household are not eligible. Void outside the 50 United States, the District of Columbia and where prohibited.

For full contest rules, please visit: <a href="http://www.outrigger.com/MillionMiles">http://www.outrigger.com/MillionMiles</a>.

### Outrigger Reef on the Beach presents...

## "Mauka - Makai"

# A one-day special exhibition of works by selected artists from Colorado and Hawaii

Visitors and *kama'aina* are invited to the Outrigger Reef on the Beach on Tuesday, February 16, 2010, to enjoy a one-day only art exhibit titled *Mauka-Makai*, "from the mountains to the sea." From noon to 5:00 pm that day, over a dozen top artists from the Rocky Mountains of Colorado and the sunny shores of Hawaii are coming together for this special showing of original art to celebrate the wonderful bond between these two magnificent states. The show is a cooperative effort by the Colorado association of artists known as Colorado Artists Hawaii, Kuloko Arts of Hawaii, and Outrigger Reef on the Beach.

"We're excited to bring together this diverse group of artists in one show," said Kathleen King, owner of Kuloko Arts of Hawaii and an artist herself. "Although they live thousands of miles apart in two very different states, the artists share a very special bond of their love of Hawaii and their passion for creating beautiful art."

All artwork on display at *Mauka-Makai* will be available for sale and will include seascapes, landscapes, still life, flowers and human figures in a variety of formats, including watercolor, oil, charcoal and acrylic. Featured Colorado artists will include Linda V.G. Kelley, Beth Eller, Carol Goldberg-Goldberg, Kit Hevron-Mahoney, Anita Mosher, and Kaye Hurtt. Artists from Kuloko Arts of Hawaii will include Kathleen King, Kristine Provenza, Teri Inouye, Mary Beth Snider and Patrice Federspiel. Independent artist MUTTICK Hawaii also will participate; and there will be a special exhibit of photographic art by Lady Alice Beresford, who is traveling from her homes in London and the Wicklow Mountains in Ireland to be part of the *Mauka-Makai* show.

The exhibit will be on display in the Outrigger Reef's Diamond Head Terrace Room, which is located just beyond the hotel's swimming pool. For more information about this event call Kuloko Arts of Hawaii at (808) 922-5114 or visit <a href="https://www.kulokoarts.com">www.kulokoarts.com</a>.

Complimentary validated parking is being offered to show patrons from 12 noon to 5:00 pm, so make a day of it and enjoy lunch at the Outrigger Reef's Kani Ka Pila Grille or Shore Bird Restaurant & Beach Bar:

Kani Ka Pila Grille, the newest restaurant at Outrigger Reef on the Beach, offers a casual outdoor setting for your dining pleasure. Lunch is served from 11 a.m. For reservations, call (808) 924-4992.

Shore Bird Restaurant & Beach Bar is a world-famous eatery known for its beachside setting, beautiful views of Diamond Head, and all-you-can-eat salad bar. Lunch is served daily from 11 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. For reservations, call (808) 922-2887.







L-R Fairy Broom by Linda V. G. Kelley, untitled by Kaye Hurtt, North Shore Surf by Beth Eller

# **Keith York named Senior Director Revenue Management** for Aqua Hotels

Aqua Hotels & Resorts appointed Keith York, Senior Director of Revenue Management, based at the home office in Waikiki.

In this position, York is responsible for maximizing all potential revenue opportunities for Aqua Hotels. Activities include forecasting, opportunity analysis and pricing strategies.

York comes to Aqua with extensive experience in the Las Vegas hospitality and gaming industry. He started his career at the Flamingo Las Vegas, part of Caesars Entertainment. Over the course of seven years, he steadily progressed from Assistant Front Office Manager to Assistant Director of Front Office Operations, then from Assistant Room Reservations Manager to Room Reservations Manager and to Lead Revenue Analyst for five Las Vegas properties. York was on the opening team for Wynn Las Vegas where he was the Director of Revenue Management for four and a half years. Most recently he has been doing front office, room reservations and revenue management consulting for properties in Las Vegas, Chicago and Huntington Beach, California.



"Keith's vast experience in Las Vegas provides a new perspective for all of Aqua that will be of great value to us," said Elizabeth Churchill, Aqua's VP Sales & Marketing. "We're excited to have him on our team."

York received his B.S. in Hotel Administration from the University of Nevada Las Vegas.

## PacRim Marketing Group promotes Akiko Mori

PacRim Marketing Group, Inc. has promoted Akiko Mori to Chief Editor and Content Manager of PacRim Marketing Group's commercial online Japanese web portal site. In her new position, she is responsible for developing content as well as editing and writing all copy for the website, <a href="https://www.hawaiiarukikata.com">www.hawaiiarukikata.com</a>.

She previously was a Writer/Editor at PacRim Marketing Group, having joined the company in 2007. Since 2000, she worked as an outside consultant/writer for PacRim Marketing Group's online Japanese portal website. Additionally, she was a free-lance writer for Hawaii Pacific Press. She also previously worked at International House Osaka, in Japan, where she planned, coordinated, and managed international conferences and concerts.

Mori has a Bachelor of Arts degree in Asian Studies from the University of Hawaii at Manoa and attended the Master of Arts program in Asian Studies at the University of Hawaii at Manoa, with a focus on literature.



#### Hawaiian Diacritical Marks

Waikīkī Improvement Association recognizes the use of diacritical marks (i.e., glottal stop ('), macron (ā) in place names of Hawai'i, such as Waikīkī and Kalākaua Avenue and will include them whenever possible. We also respect the individual use (or not) of these markings for names of organizations and businesses.

There will also be times when we may not have a chance to add or change the markings in all of the articles submitted and when that happens, e kālā mai.

## 8th Annual Waikiki SPAM JAM® Event Date Set Mark Your Calendar

The 8th Annual Waikiki SPAM JAM® Event is set for the last Saturday in April, the 24th, 2010 from 4 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Kalākaua Avenue in Waikīkī. Make a note.

The event now is held under the auspices of the "SJ Foundation," a 501(c)(3) entity, which organizers say assists the event beneficiary, Hawaii Foodbank, even more than had been possible prior to 2008, and will encourage partnerships with local businesses and community organizations during the month of April.

The goal is to collect at least 10,000 cans of the SPAM® Family of Products for the Hawaii Foodbank, and to support related event activities. Sponsors already confirmed are the Hawaii Tourism Authority and Outrigger Hotels & Resorts.

The Waikiki SPAM JAM® Event has become one of the most popular festivals in Hawai'i because of its great food and entertainment in a family-friendly atmosphere. Last year, an estimated 24,000 people attended the event.

Admission is free; entertainment is free.



## Waikīkī Hula Show at the Kūhiō Beach Hula Mound

Authentic Hawaiian music and hula shows by Hawai'i's finest hula *hālau hula* (dance troupes) and Hawaiian performers. Opens with traditional blowing of conch shell.

Tues-Thurs-Sat-Sun, weather-permitting from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at the Kūhiō Beach Hula Mound, near Duke Kahanamoku statue, beachside at Uluniu & Kalākaua Ave. in Waikīkī.

FREE and open to the public. Outdoors, casual, seating on the grass; beach chairs, mats, etc. okay. Cameras welcome. Presented by the City & County of Honolulu, the Hawai'i Tourism Authority and Waikīkī Improvement Association.

For information, call Marnie Weeks, Producer, Kūhiō Beach Hula Shows, 843-8002.

#### Week-nights

Every Tuesday - Ainsley Halemanu and Hula Hālau Ka Liko O Ka Palai

Every Thursday - Joan "Aunty Pudgie" Young and Puamelia

#### Weekends

Saturday, Feb 13 – Kapi'olani Ha'o and Halau Ke Kia'i A O Hula

Sunday, Feb 14 - Moana Chang and the Aloha Boat Days Show

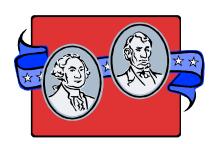


# Street activity near Waikiki (courtesy of the City)

February 13, 2010 Saturday 8:30AM Starts 10:30AM End KEIKI GREAT ALOHA FUN RUN sponsored by Kaiser Permanente/Carole Kai Charities. The event is expected to have 2,000+ runners/walkers. Traffic will be diverted starting 7:30 am. It will start on NBC Exhibition Hall cutout, to Ward Ave., to King St., to Pensacola St., to Kapi'olani Blvd., to Ward Ave., to finish at NBC Exhibition Hall cutout. Contact: Carol Jaxon 528-7388, Fax: 528-7392 For more info, visit their website: <a href="http://www.greataloharun.com/">http://www.greataloharun.com/</a>

## City & County President's Day Schedule

February 15, 2010 Monday



President's Day Holiday Schedule

City government offices will be closed Monday (February 17) in observance of President's Day, a federal holiday.

- Emergency ambulance, fire, lifeguard and police services will be available.
- Municipal golf courses, park, recreation centers, botanical gardens and the Honolulu Zoo will be open.
- The People's Open Markets will be closed.
- Refuse will be collected. The landfills and transfer stations will be open.
- City buses will operate on a Saturday schedule.

These traffic and parking regulations will be in effect:

- On street parking will be free, except for the meters on Kalakaua Avenue along Queen Kapiolani Park.
- Parking will be permitted in those tow-away zones that allow parking on holidays.
- Traffic lanes will not be coned.
- Traffic signals at Kalākaua Avenue and Kapi'olani Boulevard will be three-phase to permit mauka-bound traffic to turn left onto Kapi'olani Boulevard.

Motorists are reminded that parking in municipal lots with meters will not be free.



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