



Waikiki Wiki Wiki Wire

Lots going on in Waikiki this weekend including ...



**Honolulu Festival
showcases
culture, music,
arts and people of
the Pacific Rim**

SATURDAY, MARCH 13, 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM.
Schedule of Stage Performances Attached.

SUNDAY, MARCH 14, 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Live Cultural Performances, Arts and Exhibits
Schedule of Stage Performances Attached.

WAIKIKI GRAND PARADE – STARTS AT 4:30 PM



ASSOCIATION OF HAWAIIAN CIVIC CLUBS

Pualeilani

Festival of the Arts

**SATURDAY, MARCH 13
11 AM – 7 PM
Royal Hawaiian Center**

Enjoy a day of
Hawaiian Visual and
Performing artists in
honor of
Prince Jonah Kūhiō
Kalaniana'ole, heir to
the throne of the
Kingdom of Hawai'i
and Territorial
delegate to the
U. S. Congress.



Born March 26, 1871

Celebration includes: Fine Artists. Folk Artists
and Performing Artists. Schedule Attached.



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Outrigger Reef on the Beach presents O Ke Kai Series – Canoe Restoration with the Friends of Hokule`a & Hawai`iloa

WHAT: O Ke Kai Series – Canoe Legacy to be shared at Restoration Presentation

The Friends of Hokule`a and Hawai`iloa will share Hawaii's canoe-building legacy and restoration work on traditional Hawaiian canoes at a free presentation at the Outrigger Reef on the Beach in Waikiki.

A non-profit organization, The Friends of Hokule`a and Hawai`iloa is dedicated to perpetuating ancient Hawaiian canoe resources by building and restoring canoes, and sharing traditional canoe-building skills. True to their mission, the Friends of Hokule`a and Hawai`iloa have committed to restore the historic Hawai`iloa. The canoe was pulled from the water due to damage from termites and exposure to the elements, and is currently housed in pieces.

The Hawai`i loa's 22-foot steering paddle is presently on display in the lobby of the Outrigger Reef on the Beach. Master artisan Tay Perry created the display stands for the paddle and also restored the 100 year old koa canoe Ho`aloa that proudly welcomes all guests to the Outrigger Reef on the Beach.

WHERE: Outrigger Reef on the Beach,
2169 Kalia Road, Waikiki.

WHEN: Saturday: March 13, 2010, June 12 and
September 18, 2010
from 9:00am to 12:00pm

PARKING: \$5.00 parking validation for up to
2-Hours is available at the
Kani Ka Pila Grille

EVENT INFO: (808) 923-3111



The Moana Chapel

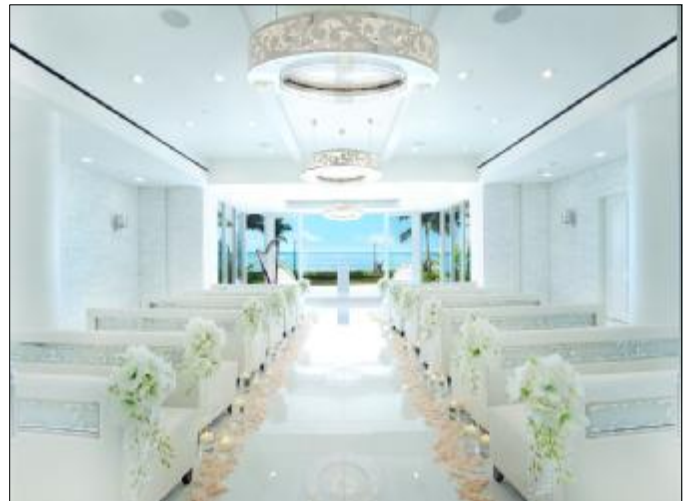
*Coming soon to the Moana Surfrider,
a Westin Resort & Spa*

Four new wedding venues will soon open in the Diamond Wing of the Moana Surfrider, a Westin Resort & Spa.

- Wedding Chapel
- Wedding Salon
- Banquet Room 1
- Banquet Room 2

Venue operator Good Luck International Corp. (Hawai`i) says that customers will not have to move from one place to another ... all wedding-related services will be delivered in one place.

Good Luck Corporation is currently doing sales and promotion in Japan via major wedding and fashion magazines, websites and more to publicize Waikiki's first beachfront wedding chapel.



Meeting and Event Venue Options at Royal Hawaiian Center

Indoor and outdoor venues offer versatile planning arrangements

The lush 30,000-square-foot Royal Grove with sparking water feature and wistful coconut (niu) trees at Royal Hawaiian Center is now available as an outdoor venue for meetings, parties and events. These new venues are the latest in the wide range of options at the Center. The Center boasts ample outdoor options, while the on-site restaurants can cater to a variety of group sizes and tastes.

“In redefining Royal Hawaiian Center as a shopping, dining and entertainment destination, we’ve added new purpose to the facility,” said Marleen Akau, general manager for Royal Hawaiian Center. “It now has a variety of spaces that are perfect as meeting venues. We have enjoyed them for our personal uses, and now have made the spaces available to the public.”

The Royal Grove:

The 30,000 square foot gardens are the new landmark in the heart of Waikiki. Tall coconut (niu) trees and a pond with bubbling water features create a serene atmosphere. The space is landscaped with native, indigenous and Polynesian-introduced plants. (see photo) The outdoor venue can hold anywhere from 20 to 350 people with cocktail/standing arrangements.

The Royal Grove & Makai Lawn:

Combine The Royal Grove and the Makai Lawn to create an unforgettable outdoor experience. Coconut trees swaying in the breeze overhead, sprawling lawn space, and ample areas for guests to meander ensure an unforgettably grand event. The outdoor venue can hold up to 600 people with cocktail/standing arrangements.

Royal Hawaiian Center Lanai:

Royal Hawaiian Center’s lanai on the second level of Building C, can accommodate events of approximately 100 people. Overlooking the historic Royal Hawaiian Hotel, guests enjoy this semi-private outdoor venue in the heart of Waikiki, surrounded by world class shopping, dining and entertainment.

Royal Hawaiian Center Rooftop:

The open-air Royal Hawaiian Center Rooftop on fourth level of Building A can accommodate approximately 200 guests. Gentle tradewinds and an open atmosphere make this a perfect venue for open-air cocktail parties, networking events or private parties. Guests will enjoy the sights and activity of Waikiki from above.

Event Parking:

Royal Hawaiian Center has the largest garage in the heart of Waikiki with 10 levels of parking and more than 600 stalls located adjacent to the Sheraton Waikiki Hotel. Special event parking validations are available as part of the rental at a \$5 for 5 hours. For additional information, visit www.RoyalHawaiianCenter.com or call (808) 922-0588.

Royal Hawaiian Center, the premier shopping and entertainment destination in Waikiki, consists of more than 310,000 square feet along a three-block stretch of Waikiki’s famed Kalakaua Avenue. The Center has more than 100 shops and restaurants to excite every taste. Complimentary music, hula and culture classes are available in The Royal Grove. It is open daily from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. and beyond with late-night rendezvous hot spots. The Center is situated on more than six acres of prime real estate in Waikiki and is owned by Kamehameha Schools. To learn more about the Center, visit www.RoyalHawaiianCenter.com.



Hilton Hawaiian Village's Camp Penguin Welcomes Children of Waikiki-area Families

Program now open to children of guests staying at other Waikiki properties

Camp Penguin children's program at the Hilton Hawaiian Village Beach Resort & Spa is now accepting children of guests staying at properties other than the Hilton Hawaiian Village. Children ages 5 to 12 are invited to enroll in a full- or half-day program at the resort, which was recently named one of the *Ten Best Family Beach Resorts* in nation by *Parents Magazine*.

Camp Penguin is based out of a 1,200-square-foot space in the beachfront resort's Diamond Head Tower and features colorful wall murals, fabric-stuffed palm trees, bean bag furniture, lockers, soft carpeted areas and computer stations. The team of trained and caring camp counselors immerses the children into the rich history and culture of Hawaii. The program also teaches kids to protect the environment with green activities and crafts. A retail outlet offers products that promote the "green theme," including t-shirts and penguin-themed items made from recycled materials.

Every day of the week features a different Hawaiian theme and will include fun, educational activities with a focus on learning about Hawaii through storytelling, games, music, arts and crafts, hula and lei-making. Participants learn the "Hawaiian Word of the Day," which is often used throughout the day. Off-property excursions include visits to the Honolulu Zoo, the Waikiki Aquarium, Bishop Museum and Children's Discovery Center. Daily themes include: "Wild About Hilton," "Hawaiian Ocean Explorer," "Hawaiian Skies," "Treasures of Hawaii," "Discover Hawaii," "Waikiki Aloha Friday" and "Hawaiian Safari."

At the end of each day, kids receive *Camp Penguin Daily News*, a recap of the day's adventures to allow parents an opportunity to engage in conversation with their children. Black and white themed drawings in the newspaper for kids to color will reflect the different Hawaiian themes and lined space encourage kids to write a personal memory about their experience.

Parents can choose between full-day (8 a.m. to 3 p.m.) and half-day (8 a.m. to 12 p.m. or 11:30 p.m. to 3 p.m.) programs. Camp Penguin costs \$90 per child (\$85 without excursion) for a full day or \$65 per child for a half-day (\$60 without excursion). Lunch is included and all participants receive a Camp Penguin t-shirt as a part of their registration fee. Registration can be done by calling (808) 942-CAMP (2267).

The Hilton Hawaiian Village is the only resort on Oahu that features African black-footed penguins. The eight penguins—*Pu, Malia, Icarus, Remy, Betty, Shaka, Kalia and Mana*—have endeared themselves to guests since the establishment of the Penguin Pond exhibit more than 20 years ago. Guests can interact with the penguins during morning feedings and learn about the species from the wildlife team. The comical birds are a part of the resort's extensive wildlife collection, which also includes flamingos, macaws, ducks, ibises, turtles and fish.



It's Girls' Night, Every Night, at OHANA Hotels & Resorts

Shop, surf and tan in Waikiki with the girlfriends for just \$79 per night

Girlfriends, leave your worries at home and escape to a tropical retreat with your “besties.” Relive the fun slumber parties of days past at OHANA Hotels & Resorts, whose convenient, affordable and central accommodations provide all the ingredients for a guilt-free girls' getaway.

“With four centrally-located properties in Waikiki and one near the airport, each offering exceptionally low rates and prime access to Oahu's best shopping, beaches and attractions, OHANA Hotels & Resorts is an ideal place to reconnect with your sister, finally take that trip with mom, or just relax and unwind with good friends,” said Tom Wakita, director of sales and marketing at OHANA Hotels & Resorts.

With locations close to Waikiki Beach, famous Diamond Head Crater and Kapiolani Park, girlfriends can swim, hike, surf or golf within minutes of the hotels. For those looking to take advantage of Waikiki's eclectic shopping scene, OHANA Hotels & Resorts' keycard grants unlimited, free access to the Waikiki Trolley's Pink Line, connecting them to the best shopping on the island. The Pink Line Trolley now stops at Waikiki Beach Walk, one of Oahu's premiere shopping destinations that boasts an array of local and national retailers and eateries, as well as a host of live music and cultural activities. All OHANA Waikiki patrons receive special “Just for You” discount coupons at Waikiki Beach Walk, by showing their keycard to any second floor merchant.

In addition to great low rates, the following Waikiki Connection amenities are included for all OHANA Hotel & Resort guests when staying in Waikiki:

- Free Internet access – including free wi-fi in the lobby and most common areas
- Free local phone calls and free phone calls to mainland U.S. and Canada (for the first 15 minutes)
- Free use of the in-room safe
- Free in-room coffee and tea
- Free daily local newspaper at the reception desk
- A free OHANA drawstring beach tote (one per room)

Free rides aboard the Waikiki Trolley's Pink Line which takes travelers throughout Waikiki and to Waikiki Beach Walk and Ala Moana Center.

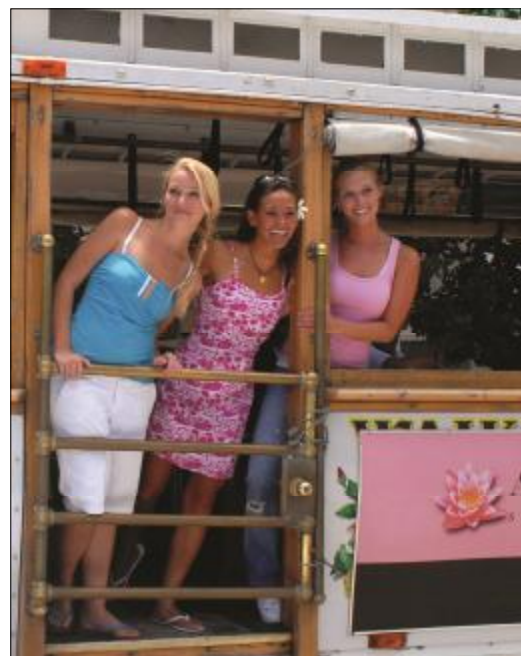
Ladies can choose from four great OHANA Hotels & Resorts in Waikiki or the OHANA Honolulu Airport Hotel located near the Honolulu International Airport:

OHANA Waikiki Beachcomber, starting at \$125

Close to all the action, this hotel is located in the fast-paced heart of Waikiki and is home to a brand-new lifestyle restaurant, Jimmy Buffett's at the Beachcomber. This location is perfect for the girls who just want to have fun and be close to it all. The property offers guests upscale accommodations with modern, revitalized guest rooms as well as a newly refurbished pool, lobby and port cochere. Once a hidden gem, the island-contemporary OHANA Waikiki Beachcomber has quickly gained notoriety following an extensive \$21 million renovation.

OHANA Waikiki East, starting at \$99

Perfect for travelers who want to relax and get away from it all, OHANA Waikiki East is a full-service hotel with all the conveniences and amenities of a home-away-from-home. It has three restaurants, an espresso café, fitness room, swimming pool, self-service laundry, an in-house travel agency, and video arcade. The hotel is near the famous International Marketplace and is a pleasant stroll from some of Waikiki's most popular attractions, including Kapiolani Park, the Honolulu Zoo and Waikiki Aquarium.



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OHANA Waikiki Malia, starting at \$99

The recent completion of a \$6.6 million property transformation has elevated this hotel to a place of well-being in paradise. Nearly two-thirds of the hotel's guest rooms offer comfortable double beds, perfect for friends traveling together. Before hitting the beach, guests can indulge in breakfast at IHOP Restaurant which is located on the street-level of the hotel, offering classic breakfast deals as well as local favorites from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. everyday.



OHANA Waikiki West, starting at \$79

Accommodation offerings at OHANA Waikiki West include comfortable kitchenette facilities as well as connecting standard and kitchenette guest rooms that have proven to be extremely popular among those looking to stay a while. Shoppers will also rejoice at this location as the Waikiki Trolley stops right in front of the OHANA Waikiki West, allowing guests convenient transportation throughout Waikiki and to the world-famous Ala Moana Center and Waikiki Beach Walk for free, with the OHANA Waikiki Connection.

OHANA Honolulu Airport Hotel, starting at \$99

Simply the best place to land near the airport! The OHANA Honolulu Airport Hotel's renovated guest rooms and central Oahu location make for an enjoyable stay – gal pals can meet up with friends from the Windward or Leeward side of the island without any traffic hassles. Like its Waikiki counterparts, the hotel offers a number of free amenities, including a 24-hour free airport shuttle, free newspaper, free wired high-speed Internet access in guestrooms, free wireless high-speed Internet access in the lobby, and meeting and banquet rooms, and complimentary use of the hotel's fitness facility. There's also a swimming pool with sun deck, and a self-service laundry. In each hotel room there is a microwave and mini-refrigerator. Willoughby's restaurant in the hotel's lobby serves an affordable ala carte breakfast daily and the restaurants in the area are affordable and offer easy access as well. When venturing out, travelers will appreciate the effortless commute to the Pearlridge or Windward shopping centers, Pearl Harbor and the Flea market at Aloha Stadium.

OHANA Hotels & Resorts "Best Available Rates" are per room, per night, for single or double occupancy. Rates and specials cannot be combined with other offers and are subject to availability and change. Restrictions may apply. Taxes are not included. Rates may not be used for group bookings without prior authorization from Outrigger.

For reservations or additional information on OHANA Hotels & Resorts, call your preferred travel professional or call OHANA Hotels & Resorts toll-free at 1-800-462-6262 or visit www.OhanaHotels.com. E-mail reservations are also available at reservations@ohanahotels.com.

Hawaiian Diacritical Marks

Waikī Improvement Association recognizes the use of diacritical marks (i.e., glottal stop (ʻ), macron (ā) in place names of Hawaiʻi, such as Waikī 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 kala mai.

Kai Market's Local Easter Sunday Feast

Sheraton Waikiki's Kai Market will be offering a feast from "farm-to-table" on Easter Sunday, April 4. Executive Chef Darren Demaya will be offering a variety of food selections from hot offerings to sweet offerings which include the signature Ni'ihau clam chowder soup and the Portuguese sweet bread pudding, the signature dessert. Kai is located ocean side with striking views of Sheraton Waikiki's new Infinity Edge pool. Easter Sunday brunch will be served from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at \$55 per adult and \$15 per child (6-12 years). Easter Sunday dinner will be served from 5 to 9:30 p.m. at \$59 per adult and \$15 per child (6-12 years). Children 5 years and under eat for free.



For brunch, Kai Market will be featuring a carving station which includes the alaea salt crusted slow roasted prime rib and the Dole pineapple and rum raisin Lehua honey rubbed country style Farmer John bone-in ham. Hot menu selections will include crisp smoked apple wood bacon and grilled Purity Portuguese sausage; pan fried Hawaiian sea bass with Thai lobster curry sauce; and Kahuku shrimp scampi with Big Island tomatoes and fresh herbs. The cold offerings will include Waimanalo mixed greens and Hawaiian style Ahi poke. Kai Market will also be featuring an omelet station, croissants, locally grown fruits, parfaits, and sweet offerings that include its signature Portuguese sweet bread pudding and chocolate haupia trifle.

Kai Market's evening menu selections for "Plantation Nights" Easter dinner menu items will include a carving station featuring the pan fried Hawaiian sea bass with Thai lobster curry sauce and the alaea salt crusted slow roasted prime rib. Chef Demaya's hot offerings will include Singapore-style Manila clams with Chinese lup cheong, soy sake braised beef short ribs, and kim chee Portuguese sausage "local" style fried rice. Cold offerings include oyster served with ponzu sauce and grated daikon, crab and Moloka'i potato salad, and Kula Farm baby romaine Caesar salad with herb garlic croutons. In addition, Ni'ihau clam chowder, Waimanalo mixed green salad, fresh fruits, and desserts that include mochi and chi chi dango, pumpkin cheese cake, banana cream pie, and Portuguese sweet bread pudding will also be served.

For reservations or more information, please contact the Starwood dining desk at 921-4600 or e-mail tdrc.hawaii@starwoodhotels.com. All applicable taxes will be applied and a 17 percent gratuity will automatically be applied for parties of seven or more. A credit card will be required to secure a reservation and cancellations must be received 72 hours in advance. Cancellations received within 72 hours will be assessed a cancellation fee equal to the meal price (plus tax) for the entire party. A four hour complimentary self or valet parking is available.

Free on your Birthday promotion

Roberts Hawaii Inc. is pleased to announce the return of "Free On Your Birthday" promotion for its Magic of Polynesia stage spectacular. Hawaii's #1 stage spectacular featuring John Hirokawa continues to amaze and amuse visitors and kama'aina alike. With the ongoing addition of innovative illusions and beautiful dance combined with the lore of the islands there is always something new to see at the 7.5 million dollar Magic of Polynesia showroom located in the OHANA Waikiki Beachcomber hotel. Join us to celebrate with family and friends. This offer allows FIT bookings one free admission with valid ID on the date of their birthday. Show only and standard dinner package may apply.

This ongoing program requires direct reservations with the Magic of Polynesia Box Office at 808.971.4321.

Restrictions: Direct reservation required. Valid only on birth date. Must present ID at check-in. FIT only.



**WOLFGANG'S STEAKHOUSE
BY WOLFGANG ZWIENER**

**Celebrates the modern Japanese tradition
of "White Day" on March 14th with complimentary
White Truffles for dinner patrons**

WOLFGANG'S STEAKHOUSE by WOLFGANG ZWIENER will be celebrating the modern Japanese tradition of "White Day" with a special offer, as follows:

Sunday, March 14, 2010

During dinner hours: 5-10:30 p.m.

Two complimentary white truffles for dessert per person, with any dinner entrée

What is "White Day" you ask?

Well, on the traditional American Valentine's Day on February 14th, it is the women who give milk or dark chocolates to men in Japan. But one month later, March 14th, is "White Day." It is the opposite of Valentine's Day: Men give white chocolates or other white gifts to women.

According to various sources, White Day was created anywhere between 1968 and 1980, and introduced by the National Confectionary Association in Japan to try and get men to buy something for the women who gave them chocolates on Valentine's Day. It has since been a day adopted by South Korea and Taiwan.

While Valentine's Day is an imported convention, White Day (on March 14) is a purely Japanese creation.

Two complimentary white truffles will be served for dessert to diners on March 14th, with any dinner entrée, including our new menu item, Surf 'n Turf, as follows:

SURF 'N TURF \$65.00

- 9 oz. Prime Grade Filet Mignon
- 14~16 oz. Australian Lobster Tail
- Complimentary Champagne

"We invite local and visiting Japanese to celebrate 'White Day' with us, and hope to share this tradition with kama'aina and western malihini, as well, for the very first time," said Bill Nickerson, Wolfgang's Steakhouse GM. "It's a new thing for me, too, but we thought it would be a fun idea to do something special for 'White Day' right here in Honolulu."

Added Nickerson, "And with 3 hours of FREE PARKING from Royal Hawaiian Center, there's no excuse not to come into Waikiki for a great lunch, dinner and weekend brunch, anytime!" Reservations are highly recommended, but walk-ins are welcome on space available basis.



For reservations, please call 808.922.3600, or go to www.opentable.com.

Wolfgang's Steakhouse also offers two private rooms for larger groups and special parties this holiday season and all year round.

Celebrate Easter with Chef Ryan Loo's Four-Course Dinner atop Sheraton Waikiki at Twist at Hanohano



This Easter, award-winning Executive Chef Ryan Loo will be offering a four-course Easter dinner that you will not want to miss. Twist at Hanohano, Waikiki's loftiest dining establishment, is offering friends and families the opportunity to gather for an exceptional meal from the highest vantage point on world-famous Waikiki Beach. Guests will marvel at the majestic views of Diamond Head and the beautiful Hawaiian sunset that glows above the Pacific.

Hanohano is Hawaiian for "glorious, distinctive or in an elevated position," and the experience of dining at Twist at Hanohano encompasses all three definitions. Chef Ryan Loo takes great pride in incorporating a "farm-to-table" concept where only the finest and freshest locally grown ingredients are used in his kitchen.

Chef Loo's four-course Easter menu will be served from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. on Sunday, April 4 at \$95, \$120 with wine pairings, and \$145 with an executive wine pairing. Tax and gratuity are not included.

Chef Ryan Loo's Easter Menu

*Chilled Waiialua asparagus and kona crab soup
Tarragon oil, kahuku corn, osetra caviar*

*wine pairing: riff pinot grigio, italy
executive wine pairing: chalk hill sauvignon blanc, russian river*

*Crispy baby artichokes and hamakua tomatoes
Bacon anchovy emulsion, shaved parmesan cheese*

*wine pairing: parducci chardonnay, mendocino county
executive wine pairing: sequoia grove chardonnay, napa valley*

*Wild mushroom crusted big island red veal
Kona Lobster stuffed zucchini blossoms, truffled fava beans, red onion marmalade*

*wine pairing: paul dolan cabernet sauvignon, mendocino county
executive wine pairing: mt. veeder cabernet sauvignon, napa valley*

*Grande Marnier drunken cherry and mac nut clafouti
Maui goat cheese and myer lemon custard, 50 year balsamic*

*wine pairing: eroica riesling, columbia valley
executive wine pairing: vin de glaciere late harvest riesling, selenium valley*

Complimentary valet parking and validated self-parking for four hours will be available at Sheraton Waikiki. For reservations or more information, please call the dining desk at 921-4600 or send an email to tdrc.hawaii@starwoodhotels.com.



Aston Hotels & Resorts Recognized as 2010 Editor's Pick for Best Travel Agent Support from *TravelAge West*

Aston Hotels & Resorts has been honored with a 2010 Editor's Pick Award in the category of Hotel/Resort Chain Providing the Best Travel Agent Support as part of the *TravelAge West* WAVE (Western Agents' Vote of Excellence) Awards.

Travel agents consistently praise Aston Hotels & Resorts' support programs, including STARs Online, the company's popular travel agent incentive program. Agents earn STAR points for each booking, which can be redeemed for gift cards or complimentary stays at their favorite Aston property. The Web-based system also allows an agent to submit bookings, as well as track and redeem rewards.

Aston has also extended its cash back bonus awards through 2010. Travel agents who book new stays for travel through December 21, 2010, with a minimum of five consecutive nights at a single Aston Hotels & Resorts property can earn a cash-back bonus of up to \$50 per booking.

To learn more or enroll as a STARs Online member, visit AstonStars.com.

Other Aston Hotels & Resorts travel agent support programs include:

EduVacations – Aston encourages agents to stay updated on what each property has to offer with special travel-agent rates starting from \$79 per night.

Webinar Training and Educational Tools – Aston conducts training and sales presentations across the country and offers 60- to 90-minute regional webinars. Other educational tools include travel agent sales support online or by phone, a detailed property reference guide and educational FAM tours. Aston sales materials and images are available online at AstonHotels.com.

FAM-tastic "First Night Free" Promotion – This promotion, valid at Aston Kauai Beach at Makaiwa and Aston Aloha Beach Hotel on Kauai, offers travel agents and wholesale agents the first night free, with subsequent nights at a discounted rate of \$85 for an ocean-view room. Two-night minimum stay required.

Now in its fifth year, the goal of *TravelAge West's* WAVE Awards is to give travel agents in the Western U.S. the opportunity to recognize the outstanding qualities and services of their travel-supplier partners.

The Editor's Picks were chosen by Editor-in-Chief Ken Shapiro and the entire editorial team of *TravelAge West*. Review methods included product analysis, on-site visits, a survey of a select group of travel agents and online research.

In addition to this distinction, Editor's Pick honorees are also in the running for a WAVE Award to be determined by a *TravelAge West* readers' choice poll conducted during the month of April. Voting is open to readers of the publication, as well as to all visitors to the magazine's Web site, TravelAgeWest.com.

Editor's Pick recipients will be celebrated at the WAVE Awards gala dinner on June 10, 2010, at the Four Seasons Los Angeles in Beverly Hills, Calif., where the readers' choice winners will also be announced. *TravelAge West* will produce a special WAVE Awards Spotlight Issue due out in August 2010, highlighting each nominated company.



Outrigger Reef on the Beach receives Orbitz 2010 'Best in Stay' Award

Property is One of only two winners from Hawaii to receive this distinguish honor

Bill Comstock, general manager of the Outrigger Reef on the Beach, is pleased to announce that the hotel has received yet another accolade, this time from Orbitz Worldwide.

Orbitz.com announced the winners of its 2010 Best In Stay Awards, recognizing more than 50 top-rated hotels based on reviews by Orbitz guests themselves, and the Outrigger Reef on the Beach is one of the only two winners selected from Hawaii.

Orbitz Best In Stay hotel winners were selected based on the overall score they received from Orbitz customers. Reviews and scores for each hotel are collected only from Orbitz customers who have booked and stayed at the hotel. Reviewers are asked to rate a variety of hotel attributes on a scale of 1 to 5, including amenities, maintenance, hotel staff, room comfort, location and value. The "overall score" is an average of all reviewer scores submitted.

"Outrigger Reef on the Beach recognizes the importance of consistently providing a high level of customer service to our guests," said Bill Comstock. "The Orbitz Best In Stay Award is an affirmation that our entire team is committed to providing the best guest experience possible."

From now until March 31, 2010, travelers who book through Orbitz.com can receive a special 10% discount by using promotion code HOTELAWARD10 on these award-winning hotels and share their own reviews with other travelers. Certain terms and conditions apply, see full offer details on Orbitz.com.

The following hotels are a sample of the 2010 Orbitz Best In Stay winners in some of the most popular destinations in the U.S., Canada, Mexico and Caribbean. For the entire list of award-winning hotels, visit www.orbitz.com/bestinstay.

New York:

The London NYC

Las Vegas:

The Signature at MGM Grand
Encore at Wynn Las Vegas
Palazzo Resort Hotel Casino

Miami:

Loews Miami Beach Hotel
Eden Roc Renaissance Miami Beach
The Strand Hotel Ocean Drive

Orlando:

Rosen Shingle Creek

Chicago:

The Talbott Hotel

Hawaii:

The Ritz-Carlton, Kapalua (Maui)
Outrigger Reef on the Beach (Oahu)

Cancun:

La Amada Hotel - Playa Mujeres Cancun

All-Inclusive:

Le Blanc Spa Resort Adults Only Cancun
Excellence Playa Mujeres Cancun Luxury Adults Only
Excellence Riviera Cancun Luxury Adults Only

Reservations for Outrigger Reef on the Beach can be made by contacting your preferred travel agent or call toll free 1-800-OUTRIGGER (1-800-688-7444) within the United States, Guam and Canada. Elsewhere call direct to 303-369-7777 (long distance charges apply). Or, visit www.outriggerreef.com or e-mail reservations@outrigger.com.

Find Outrigger Reef on the Beach via Twitter and Facebook to receive the most up-to-date property information and exclusive discounts. Twitter: <http://twitter.com/outriggerreef>;
Facebook: www.facebook.com/OutriggerReefOnTheBeach



Delightfully Unexpected. Truly Unforgettable.

Hyatt Regency Waikiki Beach Resort and Spa Receives Award for Community Involvement

Waikiki Community Center honors resort with 2010 Makana Ola Loa Award

Hyatt Regency Waikiki Beach Resort and Spa has been selected as the recipient of the Waikiki Community Center's 2010 Makana Ola Loa Award. Meaning *lifelong giver* or *always extending gifts to others*, the Makana Ola Loa Award is an annual recognition presented to corporations or organizations that give generously and selflessly to the participants of the Waikiki Community Center.

"It is an honor for Hyatt and all of our associates to be recognized for our support of the Waikiki Community Center. Providing assistance to those who enhance the lives of children and senior citizens comes naturally to all of us at Hyatt Regency Waikiki Beach Resort and Spa. Our community and its well being is vital to our shared success," says David Lewin, general manager of Hyatt Regency Waikiki Beach Resort and Spa.

"The Hyatt Regency Waikiki Beach Resort and Spa and its associates have given so generously to our families, senior citizens and children over the years," says Joan Naguwa, executive director of Waikiki Community Center. "We strongly believe that Hyatt Regency Waikiki Beach Resort and Spa's commitment to service to the community demonstrates the spirit of Makana Ola Loa."



In the past year, thanks to dozens of guests, the Hyatt Regency Waikiki Beach Resort and Spa generated more than \$17,000 for the Waikiki Community Center through a special *Lokahi Package* which donates \$44 per stay to the Center. Staff has also been involved in a facility makeover, Jumpstart literacy program, and the annual Ala Wai Challenge.

The Waikiki Community Center provides outreach programs and services to children, teens, and senior citizens. To find out more, please visit www.waikikicomunitycenter.org. For more information about Hyatt Regency Waikiki or the *Lokahi Package*, please visit www.waikiki.hyatt.com



Hawai'i Convention Center Recognizes Hawai'i Business Ambassadors

A true sense of aloha and 'ohana (family) filled the Hawai'i Convention Center on the evening of February 18 as HCC staff, their travel and industry partners and supporters gathered to extend a big Mahalo to the convention center's Hawai'i Business Ambassadors at a special celebration dinner. As Joe Davis, SMG general manager of the Hawai'i Convention Center said after the event, "it was a real 'you had to be there' kind of evening." And he was right.

The dinner, themed "Celebrate the Year of the Tiger" in honor of the Chinese New Year began with a festive lion dance demonstration that had the audience mesmerized. During dinner, testimonials were shared acknowledging the efforts of the Hawai'i Business Ambassadors and how they benefit the people of Hawai'i including one by Hawai'i Tourism Authority President and CEO Mike McCartney who shared an emotional experience he had while on a plane returning from a business trip to Japan.

"As I looked out the window when we landed, I saw a member of the construction work crew take off his helmet, wave aloha and bow to us on the plane," McCartney explained. "It brought to my attention just who we work for – the people of Hawai'i. Because of your ambassador efforts, you help feed families and keep Hawai'i people employed. Seeing that crew member's appreciation...it hit home and it brought tears to my eyes."

The Hawai'i Business Ambassadors program capitalizes on the resources of the local community to provide even greater support and information to clients, as well as expand the market potential and increase business for the Hawai'i Convention Center. A large percentage of international conferences, and even national association conventions, need an invitation from a Hawai'i contingent in order to consider Hawai'i as a destination, making the local ambassador an instrumental tool in securing business for the Center, and of course, for Hawai'i.

"There is a wealth of resources for untapped business for the Hawai'i Convention Center in the local community, Davis further explained. "The state is home to leaders in fields such as alternative energy, aquaculture, astronomy, biotechnology, agribusiness, space exploration, oceanography, and genetic research, all of which frequently provide breaking news on the science front. Many of these leaders have served as ambassadors for their organization's gathering at the Center."

Eight Hawai'i Business Ambassadors were specially honored for their recent efforts in bringing meetings to Hawai'i. They are as follows:

- Kippen De Alba Chu, executive director of the 'Iolani Palace whose coordinated efforts were responsible for having the Western Museum Association hold its 2011 Annual Meeting in Hawai'i.
- Major General R. Richardson and Mark Takai for their efforts in ensuring that The National Guard Association of the United States chose Hawai'i as the site for its 135th Conference in 2013. Takai is also a Major in the National Guard.
- Pono Shim, president and CEO of Enterprise Honolulu, for his efforts in putting together the first ever World Congress on Zero Emissions Initiative to be held at the Hawai'i Convention Center in September of this year.
- Charles Morrison, Ph.D, president of the East-West Center for his leadership in working to ensure that the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) selected Hawai'i as the site for its 2011 meeting.
- Ken Minner and Gary Wong of the Christian Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses for their successful efforts in ensuring that Hawai'i was selected as the site for the group's 2009 International Convention.
- Dr. Calbert Lum, DDS, liaison to the American Dental Association (ADA) for his efforts in having the ADA hold their 150th Annual Meeting in Hawai'i in September of 2009.

SMG markets and manages the Hawai'i Convention Center under the direction and support of the Hawaii Tourism Authority (HTA), the state's tourism agency. The Hawai'i Tourism Authority was created in 1998 to ensure a successful visitor industry well into the future. Its mission is to strategically manage Hawai'i tourism in a sustainable manner consistent with the state of Hawai'i's economic goals, cultural values, preservation of natural resources, community desires and visitor industry needs.

Halekulani Living Presents Charles Phan of San Francisco's "The Slanted Door"

As Part of its Connoisseur Lifestyle Series

Halekulani is pleased to welcome Charles Phan, executive chef of "The Slanted Door" (www.slanteddoor.com), San Francisco's leader in Vietnamese cuisine on Friday, April 2, 2010. From 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m., guests are invited to a cooking demonstration and sunset Slanted Door-inspired reception at the stunning outdoor Hau Terrace and Lanai, as part of Halekulani Living and its Connoisseurs lifestyle series. "Hawaii truly appreciates Vietnamese cuisine, and Halekulani has great admiration for what Charles Phan has done with his family restaurant and seasonal sensibility in a culinary mecca like San Francisco." said Sabine Glissmann, Food & Beverage Director at Halekulani.

Chef Charles Phan will begin the evening with a cooking demonstration featuring *Crispy Shrimp and Pork Imperial Rolls* and *Braised Short Rib with Lemongrass, Carrot and Daikon Radish*. Following the demo guests are invited to a grazing reception of signature "Slanted Door" cuisine including *Grapefruit and Jicama salad; Stir-fried Bok Choy with Baby Shiitake Mushrooms* and *Steamed Long Grain Jasmine Rice*, among others, with dessert, coffee and teas to follow. Wines and signature cocktails *Airmail, Whiskey Smash, Ms. Kai* and *Kai-jito 2* sponsored by Kai Vodka LLC will also be served. An Evening with Charles Phan is available for \$75 per person and reservations are available at (808) 931-5040, complimentary valet courtesy of Halekulani.

Chef Charles Phan's April visit is made possible in part by The Hale 'Aina 'Ohana. An organization dedicated to the development and support of culinary training programs throughout the state of Hawai'i. The 'Ohana provides financial and professional resources towards activities that enhance the scope of learning by culinary students and professionals. Visit www.haleainaohana.org for more information.

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

Sunday, March 14 – NO SHOW (Honolulu Festivals Parade)



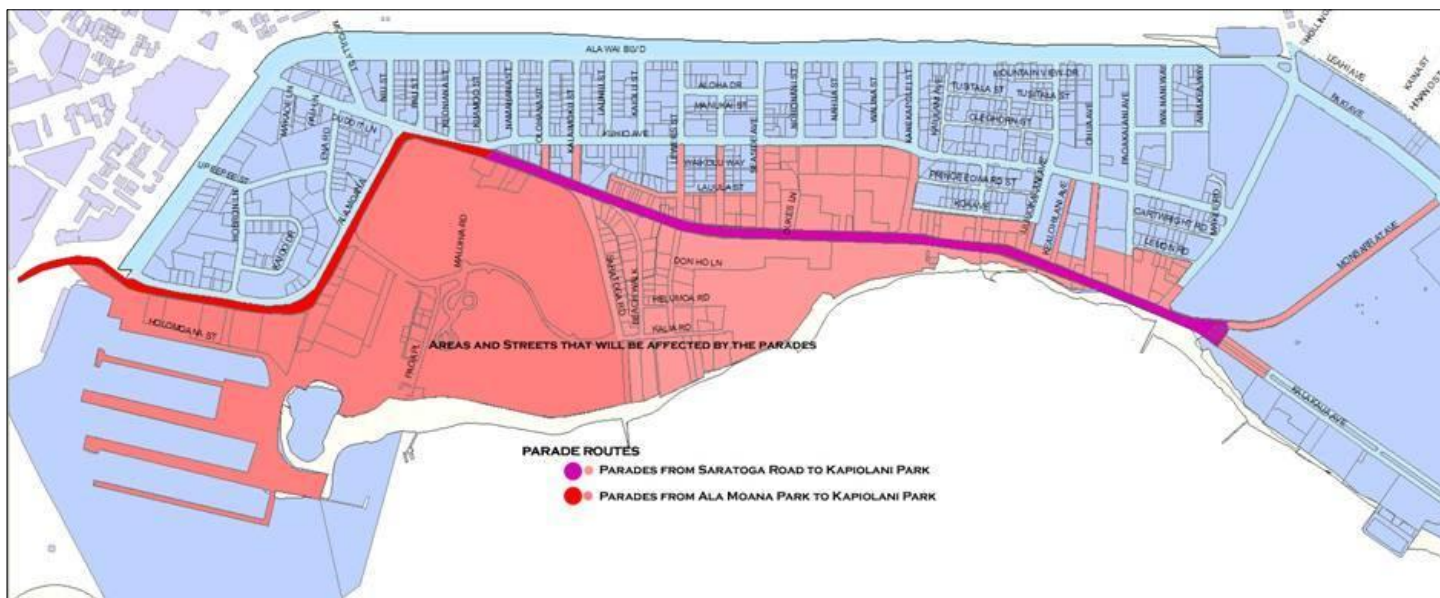
Street activity in / near Waikiki (courtesy of the City)

March 14, 2010 Sunday
4:30PM Starts
7:30PM Ends

HONOLULU FESTIVALS PARADE sponsored by JTB Hawai'i/Honolulu Festival Organizing Committee. The event is expected to have 3,000 marchers, 35 vehicles & 6 bands. It will start at Kalākaua Ave. at Saratoga Rd., kkhhd on Kalākaua Ave., to end at Waikīkī Shell parking lot, Queen Kapi'olani Park. Contact: Glenn Kosuge 921-1795, Fax: 926-9247, E-mail: gkosuge@honfest.com
For more info, visit their website: <http://www.honolulu festival.com/>

March 17, 2010 Wednesday
12:00noon Starts
2:00PM Ends

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE sponsored by Friendly Sons of Saint Patrick of Hawai'i. The event is expected to have 750 marchers, 50 vehicles, 1 float & 5 bands. It will start at Saratoga Rd./Kalākaua Ave., to Kalakaua Ave., to Monsarrat Ave., to end at Queen Kapi'olani Park. Contact: Kevin Kelly 956-6651 Fax: 956-5308,
For more info, visit their website: www.irishclubhawaii.com



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



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Pualeilani

Festival of the Arts

Saturday, March 13, 2010 • 11 am - 7 pm
Royal Hawaiian Center
Helumoa, Waikīkī



Hawaiian visual & performing arts
in honor of Prince Jonah Kūhiō
Kalanianaʻole, born March 26, 1871

Fine Artists

Joe Dowson – *oil painting*

Henry Hanale Hopfe – *stone carving*

Leohone Magno – *oil painting*

Shannon Weaver – *oil painting*

Folk Artists

Luana Salā & Maxeen Shea – *Lei Pua, Lei Lāʻī*
(*flower lei, tī leaf lei*)

Pita Salā – *Ulana Lau Niu (coconut weaving)*

Roy Benham – *Lei Hala (pandanus lei)*

Kawika Molina – *Lei Wiliwili (seed lei)*

'Ahahui Siwila Hawai'i o Kapolei – *Kāhili*
(*feather royal standards*)

Ka'iulani de Silva – *Kapa (bark cloth)*

Lorna Pacheco – *Ulana Lau Hala (weaving)*

Daniel Anthony – *Ku'i Kalo (taro pounding)*

Manu Suganuma – *Lomilomi (massage)*

Keone Nunes – *Kākau (traditional tattoo)*

Jerry Kaluhiwa – *Limu, Lā'au Lomilomi*
(*seaweed, massage sticks*)

Joseph Souza – *'Ukulele*

Sandy Vincent – *Lei Pūpū Ni'ihau (shell lei)*

Performing Artists

11-11:45 am *Polynesian Cultural Center*

Noon-12:45 pm *Pua Ali'i 'Ilima,*
Kumu Hula Vicky Holt Takamine

1-1:45 pm
Aaron Mahi / Ko'olaupoko Hawaiian Civic Club

2:30-3:30 pm
Prince Kūhiō Hawaiian Civic Club Choral Group

4-4:45 pm
Ka Hale 'Ī o Kāhala,
Kumu Hula Leimomi 'Ī Maldonado

5-5:45 pm
Kawika Trask & Friends

6-6:45 pm *Hālau Hula o Maiki,*
Kumu Hula Coline Kauloku Aiu





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***HONOLULU FESTIVAL SHOWCASES CULTURE,
MUSIC, ARTS AND PEOPLE OF THE PACIFIC RIM***

WHAT: This engaging, interactive celebration of Pacific Rim culture features exciting musical and dance performances and fascinating cultural exhibits, costumes, and arts. Admission to the Honolulu Festival is **FREE**.

WHEN: **SATURDAY, MARCH 13, 10:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.**
Schedule of Stage Performances Attached

WHERE: **Music, Performances and Exhibits at Four Locations:**

- Hawaii Convention Center – Kamehameha Exhibition Hall
- Ala Moana Center
- Waikiki Beach Walk
- Waikiki Shopping Plaza

PARKING: Free media parking available at the Hawaii Convention Center
(Media badges will be available at the information desk)
Public parking is \$5

HIGHLIGHTS: Following are some of the featured events at the Hawaii Convention Center:

- **Ennichi Corner:** Designed for children with fun, hands-on activities, games, crafts, foods and traditions inspired by the traditional Japanese Saint's Day festival.
- **Anime Corner:** Fans of Japanese animation will enjoy photo sessions with anime characters, video game tournaments, illustrator workshops, and exhibits.
- **Craft Fair:** Cultural art will be displayed by crafters from Hawaii and the Pacific Rim.
- **Movie Showings:** The critically acclaimed Japanese films *Hula Girls* and *Departures* will be shown in the third floor theater. Show times: *Hula Girls* – 10:30 a.m.; *Departures* – 1:00 p.m.
- **Band and Choral Festival:** The 4th Annual Hawaii Choral and Band Festival will feature chorus groups and bands from Hawaii, U.S. mainland, and Canada. Cheer and Dance Festival: 11:00 a.m., Oahu Room (#313-B); Choral Festival: 11:55 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. and Band Festival: 3:00 – 4:00 p.m., Kauai Room (#311)



Saturday, March 13

HAWAII CONVENTION CENTER

Festival Stage

10:00 – 10:30 a.m.	Tsugarushamisen and Samurai Spirits Karate-Do
10:35 – 10:50 a.m.	Taishogoto G. Tanuki
10:55 – 11:10 a.m.	Yasuko Shimizu and Her Fellow Singers
11:15 – 11:30 a.m.	Nihon Nankin-Tamasudare Association
11:35 – 11:50 a.m.	Alaska Native Heritage Center
11:55 a.m. – 12:10 p.m.	Koyasan Kongoryu Gasshodan
12:15 – 12:30 p.m.	Charle Morimoto Families
12:35 – 12:50 p.m.	Hirosaki Neputa
12:55 – 1:10 p.m.	Kaze-Damari
1:15 – 1:30 p.m.	Taimane Gardner
1:35 – 1:50 p.m.	Brave Season “Basara”
1:55 – 2:10 p.m.	Chomploo Aya
2:15 – 2:30 p.m.	Luna Party
2:35 – 2:50 p.m.	Poniohe Kaya Hula Studio
2:55 – 3:10 p.m.	International Flower Arrangement Association
3:15 – 3:30 p.m.	International Friendship Artist Association
3:35 – 4:05 p.m.	Taiko Kozo
4:10 – 4:25 p.m.	Lauli Kageyama Hula Halau
4:30 – 5:00 p.m.	Somei Ongakukai

Friendship Stage

10:00 – 10:30 a.m.	Descendance
10:35 – 11:05 a.m.	Alaska Native Heritage Center
11:10 – 11:40 a.m.	Zushi Aloha Ukulele Club
11:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	Guitar Ensemble Amaneser
12:20 – 12:50 p.m.	The Sun Classic Dance of Korea/ The Christ United Methodist Church Dance Team
12:55 – 1:25 p.m.	Gaylord Rieta / Rieta’s Chinese Kempo Karate School
1:30 – 2:00 p.m.	Laupahoe School of Muay Thai/ Thai Culture Center of Hawaii
2:05 – 2:35 p.m.	Japan Kembi-So Association
2:40 – 3:10 p.m.	Ryukyukoku Matsuri Daiko, Hawaii
3:15 – 3:45 p.m.	The Habibi Hawaii Ensemble
3:50 – 4:20 p.m.	Omiya Minbu Kai

HAWAII CHORAL AND BAND FESTIVAL

Oahu Room (313-B)

11:00 a.m.

Cheer and Dance Festival

Kauai Room (311)

11:55 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Choral Festival

11:55 a.m.	Opening Mass Performance of “Simple Gifts” and “Hawaii Aloha”
12:00 p.m.	Kapolei High School Hurricane Chamber Singers
12:15 p.m.	Moose Jaw Festival Singers – Saskatchewan, Canada
12:30 p.m.	Honolulu Blend Show Chorus
12:45 p.m.	Kapolei High School Hurricane Concert Choir
1:00 p.m.	Dallas Baptist University Choir – Dallas, Texas
1:15 p.m.	Sounds of Aloha – Honolulu

Choral Festival (cont.)

1:30 p.m. Middle School Festival Chorus – Honolulu
Sacred Hearts Academy Middle School Choir
Punahou School 9th Grade Women’s Chorus
Cantilena Ensemble (Hawaii Opera Chorus)
Middle School Festival Repertoire

1:55 p.m. Mass Chorus and Audience Singing “Hawaii Aloha”

Kauai Room (311)

3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

3:00 p.m. Chiefess Kamakahelei Middle School Band – Lihue
3:30 p.m. Damien Memorial High School Band – Honolulu

Band Festival

ALA MOANA CENTER

10:00 – 10:15 a.m. Puanani Takahashi
10:20 – 10:35 a.m. Takahashi Hula Studio
10:40 – 10:55 a.m. Kaoru Kohnoike & Kainoa Ukulele Family
11:00 – 11:15 a.m. Nihon Ongaku High School
11:20 – 11:35 a.m. Poniohe Kaya Hula Studio
11:40 – 11:55 a.m. Omiya Wind Symphony
12:00 – 12:15 p.m. Chum-Sa-Rang (Traditional Korean Dance Institute)
12:20 – 12:35 p.m. Leilani Hula Studio
12:40 – 12:55 p.m. Taikojuku Miyako
1:00 – 1:15 p.m. Takahashi Hula Studio
1:20 – 1:35 p.m. Yasuko Shimizu and Her Fellow Singers
1:40 – 1:55 p.m. Yosakoi Soran Uguisu-kai
2:00 – 2:15 p.m. Pua Hina Hina
2:20 – 2:35 p.m. Nihon Nankin-Tamasudare Association
2:40 – 2:55 p.m. Studio Pili Aloha
3:00 – 3:15 p.m. Anela Hula Studio
3:20 – 3:35 p.m. Setagaya Aloha
3:40 – 3:55 p.m. Lehua
4:00 – 4:15 p.m. Ke’ena A’o Hula o Kapua
4:20 – 4:35 p.m. Pikake Leilani Hula Halau
4:40 – 4:55 p.m. Dai Hirai – Honolulu Festival Official Image Song
5:00 – 5:15 p.m. Tama Hawaiian Hula
5:20 – 5:35 p.m. Sugaren
5:40 – 5:55 p.m. USAF Band of the Pacific
6:00 – 6:15 p.m. Puppetion
6:20 – 6:35 p.m. Haruyo with H Power Production
6:40 – 6:55 p.m. Showa Hula Group
7:00 – 7:15 p.m. Locomoco-Trico
7:20 – 7:35 p.m. Club Team Twisters

WAIKIKI BEACH WALK

10:15 – 10:30 a.m. Tama Owara Bushi Dokokai
10:35 – 11:05 a.m. Tama Hawaiian Hula
11:10 – 11:40 a.m. Yume Kyushu Yosakoi Team
12:20 – 12:50 p.m. Hau’oli Ohana Hula Halau
12:55 – 1:25 p.m. NHK Mito Komaki Kei Hula Halau
1:30 – 2:00 p.m. Hula Hawaiian Paradise
2:05 – 2:35 p.m. Kaoru Kohnoike and Kainoa Ukulele Family

WAIKIKI BEACH WALK (cont.)

2:40 – 3:10 p.m.	Descendance
3:15 – 3:45 p.m.	Hui Hula Papa Lina Mori
3:50 – 4:20 p.m.	Mai Pure Ren
4:25 – 4:55 p.m.	Gaylord Rieta / Rieta's Chinese Kempo Karate School
5:00 – 5:30 p.m.	Miyagi University Kosuzume
5:35 – 6:05 p.m.	Plumeria
6:10 – 6:40 p.m.	Kaze-Damari
6:45 – 7:15 p.m.	Lehua

WAIKIKI SHOPPING PLAZA

12:20 – 12:50 p.m.	Wadaiko-Mamezakura
12:55 – 1:25 p.m.	Haruyo with H Power Production
1:30 – 2:00 p.m.	Puppetion
2:05 – 2:35 p.m.	Ensemble Legato
2:40 – 3:10 p.m.	Leilani Hula Studio
3:15 – 3:45 p.m.	Ritsumeikan University Dig Up Treasure
4:25 – 4:55 p.m.	Koyasan Kongoryu Gasshodian
5:00 – 5:30 p.m.	Yomiuri NTV Culture Center/ Hideko Arisaka Chorus Class
5:35 – 6:05 p.m.	Guitar Ensemble Amaneser

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***WAIKIKI GRAND PARADE TO LIGHT UP KALAKAUA AVENUE
WITH MUSIC, DANCE, AND FLOATS OF PACIFIC RIM CULTURE***

WHAT: Thousands of marchers representing more than 100 groups from the Pacific Rim bring a joyful conclusion to the Honolulu Festival through song, dance and displays of their native culture for the Waikiki Grand Parade.

WHEN: **SUNDAY, MARCH 14, 10:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.**
Live Cultural Performances, Arts and Exhibits
Schedule of Stage Performances Attached

WAIKIKI GRAND PARADE – STARTING AT 4:30 P.M.

WHERE: **FREE Cultural Performances, Arts and Exhibits at Four Locations:**

- Hawaii Convention Center – Kamehameha Exhibition Hall
- Ala Moana Center
- Waikiki Beach Walk
- Waikiki Shopping Plaza

WAIKIKI GRAND PARADE – KALAKAUA AVENUE
Parade route runs from Saratoga Road to Kapahulu Ave.

PARKING: Media parking will be available at the Sheraton Princess Kaiulani Hotel and can be validated at the VIP stand fronting the Moana Surfrider Hotel.

HIGHLIGHTS: Among the showcase attractions on Sunday are:

- A day of cultural exhibits and live performances, including anime sensation Momoi.
- Parade marchers celebrating the culture of Japan, China, Taiwan, Korea, the Philippines, Australia, Canada, Alaska, and Hawaii through song, dance, costumes, and exhibits.
- Colorful parade floats including the spectacular fire-breathing dragon – Daijayama.



Sunday, March 14

HAWAII CONVENTION CENTER

Festival Stage

10:00 – 10:15 a.m.	Amami Minyo No Kai
10:20 – 10:35 a.m.	Association of Naruto Awa-Odori Promotion
10:40 – 10:55 a.m.	Charle Morimoto Families
11:00 – 11:15 a.m.	Oedo Tamasudare
11:20 – 11:35 a.m.	Bin-I Cultural Troupe of Ilocos Norte, Philippines
11:40 – 11:55 a.m.	Setagaya Aloha
12:00 – 12:15 p.m.	Yomiuri NTV Culture Center/ Hideko Arisaka Chorus Class
12:20 – 12:35 p.m.	Dance Junction Hawaii
12:40 – 12:55 p.m.	Sugaren
1:00 – 1:15 p.m.	Descendance
1:20 – 1:35 p.m.	Chomploo Aya
1:40 – 1:55 p.m.	Ryukyu Koten Afuso-ryu Ongaku Kenkyuu Choichi Kai
2:00 – 2:15 p.m.	NHK Mito Komaki Kei Hula Halau
2:30 – 3:00 p.m.	Enjoy the Honolulu Festival with Momoi

Friendship Stage

10:15 – 10:30 a.m.	Christian Antonio Kekumu Lum
10:35 – 11:05 a.m.	Alaska Native Heritage Center
11:10 – 11:40 a.m.	Puanani Takahashi
11:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	Wadaiko-Mamezakura
12:20 – 12:50 p.m.	Poniohe Kaya Hula Studio
12:55 – 1:25 p.m.	Taiko Kozo
1:30 – 2:00 p.m.	Anela – Hula Studio
2:05 – 2:35 p.m.	Vietnamese Student Association in Hawaii
2:40 – 3:00 p.m.	Hawaii Senior Life Enrichment Association

ALA MOANA CENTER

12:00 – 12:15 p.m.	The Sun Classic Dance of Korea/ The Christ United Methodist Church Dance Team
12:20 – 12:35 p.m.	Aloha Studio Hana Japan
12:40 – 12:55 p.m.	Hula Coconut
1:00 – 1:15 p.m.	Voice Trainer's Academy
1:20 – 1:35 p.m.	Hui Hula Papa Lina Mori
1:40 – 1:55 p.m.	Kaiulani Hula Community
2:00 – 2:15 p.m.	Hoa Malie
2:20 – 2:35 p.m.	Hula Kumi Chiaki
2:40 – 2:55 p.m.	Hula Nadeshiko Kurashiki
3:00 – 3:15 p.m.	Japan Kembu-So Association
3:20 – 3:35 p.m.	Oedo Tamasudare
3:40 – 3:55 p.m.	Japan All-Star Cheerleaders Rabbits

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WAIKIKI BEACH WALK

10:10 – 10:30 a.m.	Lani Hula Hoa Uozu
10:35 – 11:05 a.m.	Miyagi University Kosuzume
11:10 – 11:40 a.m.	Locomoco-Trico
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3:15 – 3:30 p.m.	Aloha Studio Hana Japan
3:35 – 3:50 p.m.	Lauli Kageyama Hula Halau

WAIKIKI SHOPPING PLAZA

10:00 – 10:30 a.m.	Nihon Nankin-Tamasudare Association
10:35 – 11:05 a.m.	Yume Kyushu Yosakoi Team
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4:35 – 5:05 p.m.	Tsugarushamisen and Samurai Spirits Karate-Do
5:10 – 5:40 p.m.	Ohana Hula Studio

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Calling all snorkelers! New Volunteer Program to Identify and Study Fish in Waikiki

In late February, Reef Watch Waikiki launched a reef fish monitoring program for community volunteers. The monitoring program uses a roving survey method developed by the Reef Environmental Education Foundation (REEF) that can be conducted with minimal training and basic snorkel gear. REEF has volunteer branches around the world, including the Bahamas, Galapagos Islands and several coastal states in the U.S. Earlier this year, Reef Watch Waikiki became an official REEF Field Station in order to begin teaching fish identification classes and the REEF survey method.

Heather Hillard, an intern for Reef Watch Waikiki, offered the program's first reef fish identification class and REEF snorkel survey on February 24, 2010. After reviewing the different species of fish likely to be observed and how to identify them, nine volunteers gathered at Queen's Surf beach where they donned snorkel gear and surveyed a section of the Waikiki Marine Life Conservation District. Working in teams, the snorkelers recorded the number and types of fish they observed. Back on the beach, volunteer Judith Tarpley shared, "The fish ID training was excellent; it was comprehensive, informative and fun! I chose to participate because I love swimming in the ocean and enjoy identifying everything I see."

During their first survey, volunteers saw many different species of fish, coral and algae, including bluespine unicornfish, moorish idol, spotted pufferfish and the state fish, humuhumunukunua'au. Asked why she chose to get involved, volunteer Karen Rohter shared, "It's a chance to learn something new and participate in ocean environmental programs." Several additional training sessions will be offered during the months of March and April. Anyone interested in participating should contact Heather at heather@reefwatchwaikiki.org for details. No prior experience is required, but volunteers wishing to conduct snorkel surveys should be strong swimmers, competent snorkelers, and have their own mask, snorkel and fins to participate.

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Royal Hawaiian Center kicks off the St. Patrick's Day celebration *Celtic Pipes and Drums of Hawai'i to perform Sun. March 14 at 2 pm*

HELUMOA – “Wear the green” and head to The Royal Grove this Sunday at 2 pm for a traditional Scottish and Irish musical treat – a bagpipe and drumming concert by Celtic Pipes and Drums of Hawai'i. Known colloquially as St. Paddy's Day for feasting and fun, St. Patrick is revered as the patron saint of Ireland.

While the color blue was originally associated with St. Patrick, the preference for “wearing the green” over time ties to the shamrock, a three-leafed clover that was an ancient symbol of the holy trinity. A rare specimen – the four-leafed clover – is thought to bring even more good luck.

A native Hawaiian relative is called 'Ihi'ihilauākea, and is a water clover. It shares its name with the predominant

mountain at Maunaloa (Hawai'i Kai), the southern slope of Hanauma Bay.

The Celtic Pipes and Drums of Hawai'i, led by Pipe Major Dan Quinn and Drum Major Kevin Richards, began in 1985 and represents both the Honolulu Police and Fire Departments.

One special feature of the band is the symbolic attire of the members in the “Black Watch Tartan,” which is the dress of the 42nd Royal Highland Regiment.

Since 2000, members of the band have performed in Taiwan, Tonga, and in 2005, members traveled to Edinburgh, Scotland, to participate in the festivities surrounding the Edinburgh Tattoo. The band performs at more than 60 events annually and also offers instruction.



‘ŌLELO OLA O KA ‘ĀINA LIVING LANGUAGE OF THE LAND

**‘O ‘ōma‘oma‘o ka waiho‘olu‘u i ‘ike ‘ia mai ‘ō a ‘ō ma ka lā
Kana Pakelika. ‘O ia nō ka laki a ka po‘e ‘Ilelani!**

Green is the color seen everywhere on St. Patrick's Day. It's the luck of the Irish!

**‘ōma‘oma‘o = green • waiho‘olu‘u = color • Kana Pakelika = St. Patrick (Eng.)
‘Ilelani = Irish, Ireland (Eng.) • lā = day, sun • laki = luck (Eng.)**

The parenthesized “Eng.” indicates that the word is borrowed from English. Such is the case with “Hawaiianized” Anglo names such as Pakelika / Paterika (Patrick), Elikapeka / Elisabeta (Elizabeth), Meleana (Mary Ann) and hundreds more. In an example above, luck (laki) is also pōmaika‘i in older Hawaiian form. Laki maika‘i iā kākou a pau – good luck to one and all!

For some good luck on St. Patrick's Day and every day, head to Royal Hawaiian Center offering the very best in shopping, dining, entertainment and Hawaiian programming!

