



WAIKĪKĪ IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

# Wikiwiki Wire

E-newsletter keeping you up to date on Waikiki news, features, trends and more!

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## Aqua Hotels & Resorts adds Ewa Hotel Waikiki

*Limited-time introductory offer available for kama'āina*

Aqua Hotels & Resorts, [www.aquaresorts.com](http://www.aquaresorts.com), a full-service Hawai'i hotel management company, announced that Hawai'i developer and hotel owner Peter Savio, [www.hihoahu.com](http://www.hihoahu.com), named Aqua to manage the 88-room Ewa Hotel Waikiki, located at 2555 Cartwright Road in Waikiki.

"I have a management partnership with Aqua that works extremely well for me," said Peter Savio, new owner of Ewa Hotel Waikiki. "Aqua has an excellent understanding of my vision to offer hotels with good value to kama'āina and they have the local experience and staff to ensure its long-term success."



L-R Exterior, Moderate Room, Kitchenette Facilities

"This is the third Savio-owned hotel that Aqua has been named to manage and we are privileged to have his continued support of our abilities," commented Ben Rafter, Aqua's President and CEO. "Renovation of the Ewa Hotel will convert this property into a high value Waikiki offering and we're excited to bring this affordable option to kama'āina. As our Oahu partnership with Peter grows, we're looking to future collaboration on his neighbor islands expansion plans."

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One of Waikiki's best kept secrets, Ewa Hotel Waikiki is located on the Diamond Head side of Waikiki, near Kapi'olani Park, Honolulu Zoo and Waikiki Beach. Ewa Hotel Waikiki offers comfortable and affordable island-style accommodations with free amenities including WiFi Internet access in-room, daily local newspaper in the lobby, kitchenette facilities and bicycle and surfboard racks. All rooms, except the Moderate category, have kitchenettes which add to their overall popularity.

"The Ewa Hotel Waikiki's location and amenities are excellent matches for price-conscious and long-stay customers," said Elizabeth Churchill, Aqua's VP Sales & Marketing. "Along with Peter's White Sands Hotel, [www.whitesandshotel.com](http://www.whitesandshotel.com), the Ewa Hotel increases Aqua's selection of economy properties in Waikiki to five. With more budget rooms to offer, we can be more flexible with specials throughout the year and we are pleased to offer kama'aina an introductory rate that is available through June 30, 2012."

Ewa Hotel Waikiki kama'aina introductory rate: \$96 per night, plus taxes for a studio with kitchenette and free parking.

The introductory rate is valid for new bookings, subject to availability and cannot be combined with any other offer. There is no minimum night stay requirement. Hawai'i ID required upon check-in.

For reservations, book online or call Aqua toll free from the U.S. and Canada at 1-866-406-2782. From Hawai'i, call 808-924-6543.

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## Hilton Hawaiian Village Waikiki Beach Resort Celebrates the Late Alfred Apaka: A Tribute to the Man and His Music

Before Don Ho there was Alfred Apaka, The Golden Voice of Hawai'i. During the 1940s and 1950s, Apaka was Hawaii's most famous entertainer and his show was a "must see" for all visitors. Apaka was indeed the most influential local performer of his time, setting the standard for all modern Hawaiian music. His voice, masculine good looks and personality truly helped put Henry Kaiser's Hawaiian Village Hotel on the map.

On Sunday, March 18 at 3 p.m., some of the biggest names in Hawaiian music will gather at the Hilton Hawaiian Village to celebrate the 93<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of Apaka's birth. The festivities will begin with a lei-draping and blessing at the Apaka statue along the Tapa Concourse, followed by a kanikapila at the Tapa Bar featuring the likes of Jeffrey Apaka, entertainer and son of the late Alfred Apaka. He'll be joined by more than a dozen entertainers including Harry "Bee" Soria, Melveed Lee, John Cruz, Al Harrington, Darren Benitez, Aaron Mahi, Haunani Apoliona, Ku'uipo Kumukahi, Mihana Souza and many more.

Apaka was best known for his lavish shows in the Hawaiian Village's Tapa Room and later in the property's enormous gold aluminum geodesic dome constructed by Kaiser to accommodate Apaka's large crowds. As his fame grew, he became a well-known recording artist, spreading the appreciation of Hawaiian music to the world. Apaka was planning his own national television special at the time of his unexpected heart attack and death at the age of 40 in 1960. He was buried with a microphone placed in his hands before his casket was closed. In 1997, Alfred Apaka was honored by a prestigious Na Hoku Hanohano Lifetime Achievement Award and in 1999 with an album, *Lost Recordings of Hawai'i's Golden Voice*.



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## Kaui Hart Hemmings Conducts “The Descendants” Book Reading as part of Waikiki Beach Marriott Resort & Spa’s Guest Artist Program at newly redesigned Moana Terrace

**Who:** Kaui Hart Hemmings, author of “The Descendants,” is a special guest artist at Waikiki Beach Marriott Resort & Spa.

**What:** “The Descendants” Book Reading - Complimentary

**When:** Friday, March 16, 2012 - Two sessions  
10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 pm

**Where:** Waikiki Beach Marriott Resort & Spa  
2552 Kalakaua Avenue ( cross street Ohua Street )

Meet at the newly redesigned and refreshed Moana Terrace located poolside, on the third floor of the resort’s Kealohilani Tower overlooking Waikiki Beach.



**Why:** Come and join the first in a series of the Waikiki Beach Marriott Resort & Spa Guest Artists Program. Listen to Kaui read excerpts from her critically acclaimed novel. “The Descendants,” winner of this year’s Oscar for Best Adapted Screenplay, is based on Kaui’s novel, set in Hawaii. Don’t miss out on the specially concocted Descendants Iced Tea beverage.

The newly redesigned Moana Terrace at Waikiki Beach Marriott Resort & Spa features a fire pit, lounge seating and new menus. Visitors and kama’aina can enjoy the daily “4-5-6 Pau Hana” food and drink specials, breathtaking views of Waikiki, spectacular sunsets over the Pacific, and Hawaiian entertainment. Serving lunch, cocktails and dinner. [www.marriottwaikiki.com](http://www.marriottwaikiki.com)

Validated self-parking or valet will be available.

Limited seating. Please RSVP to Erin Kinoshita at [erin.kinoshita@anthologygroup.com](mailto:erin.kinoshita@anthologygroup.com).

### Waikīkī Wiki Wiki Wire - Newsletter Deadline

The WIA newsletter is published 2x per month—generally on the first and third Thursday.

Waikīkī-related news and information submitted by members for the Waikīkī Wiki Wiki Wire should be received no later than 4pm Wednesday for newsletters published and distributed on Thursday.

Information received after the deadline will be considered for inclusion in the following issue.

Photos which accompany stories are always welcome and, for best results, should be attached to the email as a separate jpeg - maximum 1 MB each image please.

Single page PDFs are also welcome but they should look like flyers and not press releases (without media contact information, dateline, city, etc.).

Your kokua is appreciated. *Mahalo.*

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## Celebrate St. Patrick's Day at Royal Hawaiian Center with Traditional Bagpipes

**WHERE:** Royal Hawaiian Center at Helumoa – The Royal Grove  
(Between Buildings B and C, along Kalākaua Avenue)

**WHEN:** Saturday, March 17 2012 at 4:30 p.m.

**DETAILS:** Celebrate St. Patrick's Day at Royal Hawaiian Center! Celtic Pipes and Drums of Hawaii will perform the traditional art of piping and drumming. The Colors and Honor Guard will display an array of flags representing the Celtic nations. Free and open to the public!

Adorned in symbolic tartan kilts, the military uniform worn by members of the Black Watch, Celtic Pipes and Drums of Hawaii will feature the talents of 18 pipers, four drummers, an Irish dance team and a student troupe. The band joined together with members of the Black Watch (42nd Highland Regiment) during the regiment's training visit to Hawaii in 1993.

Royal

For more information, visit [www.RoyalHawaiianCenter.com](http://www.RoyalHawaiianCenter.com), or call Lei Ohu Guest Services at (808) 922-2299.

**PARKING:** Royal Hawaiian Center's validated parking promotion offers 1 hour free parking with validation and \$1 per hour for the next 3 hours for a maximum of 4 hours. After 4 hours, standard parking rates apply of \$6 per hour. Special event parking validation rates are available at \$5. No minimum purchase is required for validation.

Royal Hawaiian Center has the largest parking garage in the heart of Waikiki with 10 levels of parking and more than 600 stalls. The entrance is located up a parking ramp as you enter the Center on the right side of Royal Hawaiian Avenue

### Search for Humpback whales and Easter eggs on the STAR OF HONOLULU'S EASTER LUNCH CRUISE!

**Date / Time:** April 8, 2012 / 12:00 - 2:30 p.m.

**Location:** Star of Honolulu departs from Aloha Tower Marketplace, Pier 8

The Star of Honolulu offers a fun Easter event at an unbeatable value! Bring the whole family to enjoy beautiful coastline views while searching for Humpback whales, a delicious Taste of Hawaii lunch buffet featuring roast beef carved onboard, Easter cake and champagne toast, hands-on Hawaiian cultural activities, and even a fun Easter egg hunt and prize giveaways for kids!

For reservations or more information, please call 983-STAR (7827) or visit [www.starofhonolulu.com](http://www.starofhonolulu.com).

**Suggested Retail Rate:** \$63.00 adult, \$10.00 child (3-11) with each paid adult (additional children \$38.00)

**Kama'aina / Military Rate:** \$51.03 adult, \$8.10 keiki (3-11) with each paid adult and valid Hawaii ID (additional keiki \$30.78)



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## Annual Easter Egg Hunt and Easter Brunch at The Royal Hawaiian, a Luxury Collection Resort

The Royal Hawaiian, a Luxury Collection Resort will be holding its annual Easter Egg Hunt and Easter brunch on Sunday, April 8. Executive Chef Hans Stierli has created an alluring upscale feast, captivating taste buds with fresh prawns, lobster, crab, top-grade ahi, savory dry aged prime rib and roasted suckling pig. Children of all ages are invited to participate in one of the largest Easter Egg Hunts in Waikiki featuring over 2000 treat-filled eggs at 9:30 a.m. at the resort's Coconut Grove area.

Easter brunch buffet will be served from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Surf Lanai for \$88 per adult and \$53 per child (6-12 years). Children 5 years and under eat for free with a paying adult. The annual Easter Egg Hunt will be free for all resort and Easter brunch guests.

Action stations will feature made-to-order omelets, eggs and waffles. Hot Station selections will include eggs a waffle station, Benedict with Canadian bacon and hollandaise, scrambled eggs, crispy bacon, Portuguese sausage with onion, steamed onaga, roasted suckling pig, fried rice with char sui, Shanghai noodles, Portuguese bean soup, wok fried market vegetables, and dry aged prime rib. Cold items will include an heirloom tomato salad, potato salad, soba noodle salad, ahi poke, chilled prawns, crab claws, lobster tails, Big Island Farm greens, international cheese display, and a sushi bar. The buffet will also include a variety of juices and refreshments, pastries and delights that include jams with sweet island butter, hot cross buns, an island fruit display, breakfast entrees, salads, dried fruit and nuts, and fresh grapes. Dessert offerings will include a chocolate fountain with homemade cookies, marshmallows, and fresh fruit, coconut custard pies, opera cake, haupia cake, Royal Hawaiian key lime pie, Hawaiian macadamia nut pie, assorted crème brulee, pink haupia lollipops, and bread pudding.

For more information or reservations, please call Starwood Hotels & Resorts Waikiki's Dining Desk at 808-921-4600 or email [trdc.waikiki@sheraton.com](mailto:trdc.waikiki@sheraton.com). Four hour complimentary valet and self parking is available with validation.



### Easter Celebration

**Date:** Sunday April 8, 2012

**Easter Egg Hunt Time:** 9:30 AM

**Easter Egg Hunt Venue:** Coconut Grove - we place over 2000 Easter eggs for children of guests and brunch attendees to enjoy picking up!

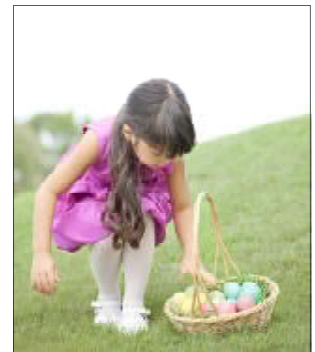
**Brunch Times:** 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM (last seating at 1:30 PM)

**Brunch Venue:** Surf Lanai Restaurant, just steps from the Waikiki shore, with gorgeous ocean views

**Price:** \$88 per adult; \$53 per child (6-12yrs)

(Rate is exclusive of tax and gratuity)

For more information and reservations, please contact the Dining Desk at 808.921.4600.



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## Brunch is Back at Hyatt Regency Waikīkī

*\$69 Easter Brunch includes kid's corner, unlimited champagne, five action stations & more*

Executive Chef Sven Ullrich invites the public to an incredible Easter Day Champagne Brunch at Hyatt Regency Waikiki Beach Resort and Spa, located at 2424 Kalakaua Avenue. The brunch will be hosted at SHOR on the third floor Diamond Head Tower and is available from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Easter Day. Guests aged twelve and up are \$69 per person. Children, aged six to twelve, receive a 50% discount and ages five and under are free. Reservations may be made on [Open Table](#) or by calling (808) 923-1234 ext. 59. Validated self- parking.

"We are really excited about bringing brunch back to the Hyatt. Families are going to love all the dining options to include the five chef stations and unlimited champagne while the kids will have the best spot in the house. The children's corner features a special buffet many fun interactive activities such as egg painting, Easter puzzles, balloons, face painting, and qualified adult supervision. Even the Easter Bunny will be there," says Ullrich.

The menu includes five action stations with chefs preparing a variety of items including: prime rib of beef, leg of lamb, made to order omelets and waffles, hand rolled sushi from Hyatt's own Japengo Sushi Cooks, seafood, and Banana Foster made right on the spot.

The hot buffet also features pan roast fish, chicken, Applewood smoked bacon, and several choice side selections while the cold buffet includes Oysters on the half shell, Kauai shrimp, wild mushrooms and more.

There are three specialty islands including salad, cheese, and a smoked salmon bagel island. Also available are a fine selection of fresh pastries, soups, and jams. A dessert buffet features homemade Kona coffee marshmallows, some of the favorites from both SHOR and Japengo, as well as an assortment of cookies and fresh fruit.

The ultimate kids' area - Camp Hyatt Children's Corner - features Cheese pizza, chicken nuggets, corn on the cob, French fries, Mac n' Cheese, and baby carrots. Also available: qualified adult supervision, kids video, Easter puzzles, games, Play Station/Wii, Helium Balloons, face painting and balloon artist, egg painting, candy corner and Easter Bunny.

For more information or to make a reservation, please visit [waikiki.hyatt.com](http://waikiki.hyatt.com).



### 5<sup>th</sup> Annual "Mauka to Makai Expo" in Celebration of Earth Month

In celebration of Earth Month, the City and County of Honolulu's Department of Environmental Services presents the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Mauka to Makai Environmental Expo, Saturday, April 14 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., at the Waikiki Aquarium. The FREE expo will include hands-on educational displays, water pollution prevention games and ocean-related arts and crafts for the keiki. School children release moi into the ocean at 11:30 a.m. as the highlight of the event. The first 500 families to visit all booths receive a free native Hawaiian plant, courtesy of HECO; and a free tote bag for everyone as long as supplies last. There will also be drawings for great prizes. The Mauka to Makai theme represents the importance of keeping O'ahu's streams and stormwater runoff free of pollution, from the mountaintops to the ocean. Free parking and shuttle service at Waikiki Elementary School begins at 8:45 a.m.



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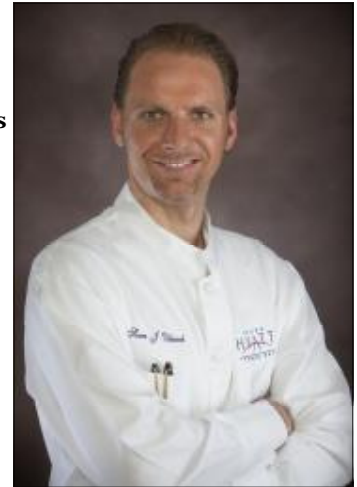
## Wine Dinner Featuring Kym Tolley from Penley Estates

Executive Chef Sven Ullrich with Hyatt Regency Waikiki Beach Resort and Spa invites the public to join him in welcoming Kym Tolley, the esteemed Australian winemaker from Penley Estates. The exclusive wine tasting on May 15, 2012 will present the perfect pairing of one of the top wines of the world with Hyatt's incredible cuisine. The dinner is \$115 per person. For more information please visit [waikiki.hyatt.com](http://waikiki.hyatt.com) or call Japengo at (808) 237-6151.

"I am honored to be working with Kym to develop this menu. Having spent several years working for two different Hyatts in Australia, I spent a lot of time touring the wine region and even worked on a vineyard for a time. I love the Penley Estate wines and working with ingredients that will enhance the Penley experience for our guests is a culinary dream come true," says Ullrich.

"We are always looking to raise the bar and having Kym Tolley visit from Australia to share his wisdom definitely does just that," says Vincent Brunetti, director of Food and Beverage at Hyatt Regency Waikiki Beach Resort and Spa. "The menu that Chef Ullrich and his team have created belongs with one of the world's finest wines and knowing that Kym is also brining some of his private collection is really exciting."

A mix between Penfold and Tolley, the Penley Estates are a part of the creation of Penfolds Grange - one of the top wines in the world. Together with Executive Chef Sven Ullrich, Tolley will present his favorite wines with flavorful dishes and include some very special winery varietals brought specifically for the dinner.



The menu includes canapees - salmon tartar, quail egg, dill-mustard, Kulana beef Carpaccio, garlic crostini, caviar, Roquefort quiche, candied walnuts, and onion jam paired with the *2011 Traditional Sparkling*. Amuse Bouche followed by the first course - Togarashi seared yellow fin tuna, bitter greens, citrus aioli, and sesame tuille paired with *2009 Aradia Chardonnay*; second course of local Shinsato pork and slow braised pork belly and macadamia nut crusted chop, roasted nalo beets, and lemon verbena hollandaise paired with *2009 Phoenix Cabernet Sauvignon* and the *2008 Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve*. Third Course twice baked stilton cheese soufflé, spiced local Chico fruit, rosemary grissini, and peppered guava jelly paired with *2009 Condor Shiraz-Cabernet*. Dessert is a sticky date pudding, vanilla mascarpone, and toffee sauce.

The recipient of critical acclaim and numerous awards, the Penley Estate has been recognized at some of the world's finest wine shows.

For more information about Penley Estates, please visit [penley.com.au](http://penley.com.au).

For more information about Hyatt Regency Waikiki Beach Resort and Spa, please visit [waikiki.hyatt.com](http://waikiki.hyatt.com).

### Hawaiian Diacritical Marks

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

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## Outrigger Enterprises Group Welcomes Crista Aguano and Jessica Thomas to the Finance Department

**Outrigger Enterprises Group** is happy to welcome two new faces to the Finance Department with the addition of Crista Aguano as controller for the Condominium and Vacation Ownership Division and Jessica Thomas as senior tax accountant for the Corporate Services department.

As controller, Crista Aguano (right) is responsible for providing leadership for Outrigger's condominium division's accounting department to ensure appropriate procedures are in place and to oversee the accurate preparation of financial reporting. She joins the Outrigger team from her most recent position as director of finance at the Marriott Vacation Club International. Prior to that, she served as the controller at Palace Station Hotel & Casino in Las Vegas.



Born and raised on the island of Kauai, Ms. Aguano received her Master's of Business Administration from University of Phoenix, Las Vegas, and a Bachelor of Science in Accounting from University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

In her new role, Jessica Thomas (left) will assist the corporate tax director in managing and coordinating Outrigger's domestic and international tax planning strategy and assuring tax compliance is filed timely and precisely. Ms. Thomas joins Outrigger from the Honolulu office of KPMG LLP (Klynveld, Peat, Main and Goerdeler) and prior to that in Denver. She also has work experience in New York as a senior tax associate for the same company.

Ms. Thomas earned her CPA with a Master's in Accounting and an emphasis in Taxation from Colorado State University. In addition, she also earned a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration.

### 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Great Hawaiian Rubber Duckie Race

#### *"Silver Anniversary Celebration"*

The Ala Wai Canal will come alive with activity and color, Saturday, March 31" when 20,000 rubber duckies take on the challenges of the course for The 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Great Hawaiian Rubber Duckie Race, a benefit for United Cerebral Palsy Association of Hawaii.

From the Kalakaua Avenue Bridge, at precisely 1:25 p.m., the race begins. The unusual start time is set in an effort to maximize the canal's velocity and outgoing current.

The bright yellow bathtub cuties will race 100-yards down stream, where the top 50 finishers will win their adopted owners great prizes. According to a duck race official, UCPA of Hawaii also awards a fine prize to the "Lame Duck,"- the last place duck finisher.

There will additionally be an entire morning (9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.) of pre-race activities at McCully Shopping Center on race day. Activities will include, entertainment, games, food, duck adoptions and a duckie store with an assortment of duck paraphernalia.

This island icon event, a favorite with locals and visitors, will be celebrating its Silver Anniversary this year. For more information on the event, as well as how to adopt a duck, individuals may call the UCPA Duckie Hotline at 532-6744 or go online at at [www.ucpahi.org](http://www.ucpahi.org).





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## La Mer Named One of the Top Restaurants for Service in the U.S. by OpenTable Diners

La Mer, Halekulani's award-winning restaurant featuring exquisite Neoclassic French cuisine and oceanfront views, has been named a winner of OpenTable Diners' Choice Awards for the 100 restaurants in the United States providing the best service. The list of winners is derived from nearly 5 million reviews submitted by OpenTable diners for more than 12,000 restaurants in all 50 states and the District of Columbia.

"You only have one chance to make a first impression, and this is particularly true for restaurants," said Caroline Potter, Chief Dining Officer of OpenTable. "These honorees understand that the dining experience begins the moment a patron walks through their doors and have mastered the art of attentiveness at each and every point of service."

La Mer is Hawaii's longest-running AAA five diamond restaurant, honored with the accolade since 1990. It only offers dinner service, nightly from 6 - 10 p.m. [OpenTable](#) is a leading provider of free, real-time online restaurant reservations for diners and reservation and guest management solutions for restaurants, listing more than 25,000 restaurant customers.



Based on reviews collected from OpenTable diners between February 2011 and January 2012, the 100 award-winning restaurants received the highest scores. For more information about all of the restaurants on this list, please visit <http://www.opentable.com/bestservice>.

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## Outrigger welcomes Roger K. L. Chan as Restaurant Manager of Kani Ka Pila Grille

Bill Comstock, general manager of [Outrigger Reef on the Beach](#), is pleased to announce the appointment of Roger K. L. Chan as Restaurant Manager of Kani Ka Pila Grille.

In his new role, Chan is responsible for the daily administrative tasks of the restaurant in addition to finding ways to maximize profits and motivate staff while ensuring a smooth operation in the restaurant.

Chan moves to the Outrigger Reef's Kani Ka Pila Grille after spending four years with the Kahala Hotel and Resort as assistant restaurant manager, room service manager, and most recently as restaurant manager of the Plumeria Restaurant. His experience also includes a year with the Hilton Hawaiian Village as Assistant Restaurant Manager.

"Roger's extensive work experience and knowledge in the restaurant and hotel industry make him an excellent asset to Kani Ka Pila Grille," said Comstock. "With his proven abilities to manage and produce a high performance team, he'll be able to contribute to the growth and success of both the restaurant and its employees."



Chan is a graduate of Hawaii Business College with a degree in Business Administration and Management.

Kani Ka Pila means "let's make music," and at this pool-side restaurant at the [Outrigger Reef on the Beach](#), music is served nightly from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The restaurant is open for casual island-style dining daily for breakfast, lunch and dinner from 6:30 a.m. For more information or reservation, call 808-924-4992.

## Baby Sign

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## Learn Baby Signing Techniques

Session I      April 3, 10, 17, 24, 2012  
When:          Tuesdays from 11:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon  
Where:        Waikiki Community Center Chapel, 310 Paoakalani Ave.

Session II      May 1, 8, 15, 22, 2012  
When:          Tuesdays from 11:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon  
Where:        Waikiki Community Center Chapel, 310 Paoakalani Ave.

Fees:            WCC Members \$8.00/class.    Non-Members \$10.00/class

*Signing can be an amazing tool for children with Down Syndrome, Autism, Apraxia of Speech, speech delays, hearing loss and/or deafness, etc. For more information, call today - 923-1802*

## Waikīkī Hula Show at the Kūhiō Beach Hula Mound

**Kūhiō Beach Hula Show - March 2012**

Show time is **6:30 pm**

Authentic Hawaiian music and hula shows by Hawai'i's finest *hālau hula* (dance troupes) and Hawaiian performers.

Opens with torch lighting and traditional blowing of conch shell. Tues-Thurs-Sat-Sun, weather-permitting. 6:30-7:30 p.m. (6:00-7:00 p.m. Nov-Dec-Jan) at the Kūhiō Beach Hula Mound, diagonally across from Hyatt Regency Waikiki Beach hotel at Uluniu & Kalākaua Ave.

Outdoors, casual, seating on the grass; beach chairs, mats, etc. okay. Cameras welcome. Presented by Hyatt Regency Waikiki Beach, Hawaii Tourism Authority, City & County of Honolulu and Waikīkī Improvement Association.

For information, call 843-8002.

### Week-nights

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

Every Thursday - Joan "Aunty Pudgie" Young and Puamelia

### Week-ends

Sat Mar 17 - Joan S. Lindsey and the Joan S. Lindsey Hula Studio  
Sun Mar 18 - Leimomi Ho and Keali'ika'apunihonua Ke'ena A'o Hula

Sat Mar 24 - Shirley Recca and Halau Hula O Namakahulali  
Sun Mar 25 - Twyla Ululani Mendez and Halau Na Pua A Lei

Sat Mar 31 - Sallie Yoza and Halau O Napuala'ikauika'iu



## Street activity in / near Waikīkī (courtesy of the City)

March 17, 2012 Saturday  
12noon Starts  
2:00PM Ends

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE sponsored by Friendly Sons of Saint Patrick of Hawaii. The event is expected to have 750 marchers, 50 vehicles, 1 float & 5 bands. It will start at Saratoga Rd./Kalakaua Ave., to Kalakaua Ave., to Monsarrat Ave., to end at Queen Kapiolani Park. Contact: James Murphy 372-2191 Email: [jimfiscal@gmail.com](mailto:jimfiscal@gmail.com) For more info, visit their website: <http://www.irishclubhawaii.com/>

March 24, 2012 Saturday  
10:00AM Starts  
11:30AM Ends

PRINCE KUHIO COMMEMORATION PARADE sponsored by Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs. The event is expected to have 800 marchers, 35 vehicles, 2 floats, & 2 bands. It will start at Kalakaua Ave. at Saratoga Rd., kkhhd on Kalakaua Ave., to end at Waikiki Shell parking lot, Queen Kapiolani Park. Contact: Leimomi Khan 372-0630, E-mail: [khanm@hi808.net](mailto:khanm@hi808.net)

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# Pualeilani

Festival of the Arts 2012

Saturday, March 17, 2012 • noon - 6 p.m. • Royal Hawaiian Center at Helumoa

*A gathering of artists in honor of Prince Jonah Kūhiō Kalaniana'ole, Heir to the Throne of the Kingdom, and Territorial Delegate to the U.S. Congress. Pualeilani was the Prince's home at Waikiki, present site of Kūhiō Beach. Our Prince was born March 26, 1871 at Kōloa, Kaua'i. An event of the Prince Kūhiō Festival, a month-long celebration in March. E ʻō e ke ali'i maka'āinana!*

## FINE ARTS

Leohone Magno – *Oil Painting*

## FOLK ARTS

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

Kawika Molina – *Lei Wiliwili (seed lei)*

Calvin Ioane Hoe – *'Ohe Hano Ihu / Pū 'Ohe*  
(*bamboo nose flute / bamboo trumpet making*)

Lorna Pacheco – *Ulana Lau Hala*  
(*pandanus leaf weaving*)

Roy 'Ilikea Benham – *Hana Lei Hala*  
(*pandanus lei making*)

Duane Medeiros & Pita Salā – *Ulana Lau Niu*  
(*coconut leaf weaving*)

La'akea Suganuma – *Mea Kaua (weaponry display)*

Mele Kahalepuna & Lelea'e Wong –  
*Haku Hulu (feather work)*

Jerry Kaluhiwa/Ko'olaupoko HCC  
*Limu (seaweed and its traditional uses)*

## PERFORMING ARTS

Noon - 12:15 p.m. Welina me ka  
Ho'olauna *Welcome & Introductions*

12:30 - 1:30 p.m. St. Patrick's Day  
Parade on Kalākaua Avenue

2 - 2:45 p.m. Sean Na'auao  
*Hawaiian & Contemporary*

3:15 - 4 p.m. Kawika Trask & Friends  
*Traditional Hawaiian & Hula 'Auana*

4:30 - 5 p.m. p.m. Celtic Pipes &  
Drums of Hawai'i *St. Patrick's Day*  
*celebration*

6:15 - 6:45 p.m. Hālau Hula o Maiki,  
Kumu Hula Coline Kauloku Aiu  
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## Weekly Events & Promotions

March 18-24, 2011



### Sunday, 3/18

- HOLIDAY INN WAIKIKI BEACHCOMBER RESORT:**  
**OUTRIGGER REEF:** >8p Jimmy Buffett's: Jeremy Cheng (info. 791-1200)  
 >3-5p Kani Ka Pila Grill: Happy Hour / 6-9p Brother Noland (info. 924-4990)  
**\*\*March Promotions\*\***  
 ~Serenity Spa Hawaii (For more info. call: 926-2882)
- OUTRIGGER WAIKIKI:**  
 >4-6p Duke's: Henry Kapono (info. 922-2268)  
 >2p Hula Grill: Aloha Hour / 7-9p Kalani Maio & Leilani Vakauta w/Kealoha (info. 923-4852)
- WAIKIKI BEACH WALK:**  
 >**3-6 & 6-9, Girl Scouts - Cookie Program, Plaza (info. 931-3591)**  
 >Giovanni Pastrami: Live Satellite SPORTS (info. 923-2100)  
 >**5-6p Na Mele No Na Pua, KAPENA, Fountain Stage (info. 931-3591)**  
**\*\*March Promotions\*\***  
 ~Island Heritage (For more info. call: 923-4400)  
 ~Sushi 2 Go by Kaiwa: Daily Lunch Specials (For more info. call: 924-0555)

### Monday, 3/19

- OUTRIGGER REEF:** >3-5p Kani Ka Pila Grill: Happy Hour / 6-9p Sean Naauao (info. 924-4990)
- OUTRIGGER WAIKIKI:**  
 >4-6p Duke's: Haumea Warrington / 9:30p-12a Ellsworth Simeona (info. 922-2268)  
 >4p Hula Grill: Aloha Hour / 7-9p Eric Lee (info. 923-4852)

### Tuesday, 3/20

- HOLIDAY INN WAIKIKI BEACHCOMBER RESORT:**  
**OUTRIGGER REEF:** >9a-5p Jimmy Buffett's: Free Surfing Museum Tours (info. 791-1200)  
 >9 & 9:30a Martin & MacArthur: Create Hawaiian Feather Flowers (info. 447-2797)  
 >11a Kuloko Arts of Hawaii: FREE "Watercolor Lessons" w/ Patrice Federspiel (info. 922-5110)  
 >3-5p Kani Ka Pila Grill: Happy Hour / 6-9p Weldon Kekauoha (info. 924-4990)
- OUTRIGGER WAIKIKI:**  
 >4-6p Duke's: Haumea Warrington / 9:30p-12a Ellsworth Simeona (info. 922-2268)  
 >4p Hula Grill: Aloha Hour / 7-9p Kamuela Kahoano (info. 923-4852)  
 >8:30p SOS Main Showroom: SOCIETY OF SEVEN (info. 923-7469)
- WAIKIKI BEACH WALK:**  
 >**4:30-6p "Ku Ha'aeo"~ Evening Hula, Fountain Stage (info. 931-3591)**

### Wednesday, 3/21

- OUTRIGGER REEF:** >3-5p Kani Ka Pila Grill: Happy Hour / 6-9p Cyril Pahinui (info. 924-4990)
- OUTRIGGER WAIKIKI:**  
 >4-6p Duke's: Haumea Warrington / 9:30p-12a Ellsworth Simeona (info. 922-2268)  
 >4p Hula Grill: Aloha Hour / 7-9p Jeremy Cheng (info. 923-4852)  
 >8:30p SOS Main Showroom: SOCIETY OF SEVEN (info. 923-7469)
- WAIKIKI BEACH WALK:**  
 >**4-4:45p "Free" Yoga on the Lawn (info. 922-0171)**

### Thursday, 3/22

- HOLIDAY INN WAIKIKI BEACHCOMBER RESORT:**  
**OUTRIGGER REEF:** >9:00p Jimmy Buffett's: Borderline (info. 791-1200)  
 >9a & 9:30a Martin & MacArthur: Weekly Artist Event ~ Boris Huang (info. 447-2797)  
 >3-5p Kani Ka Pila Grill: Happy Hour / 6-9p Kawika Kahiapo (info. 924-4990)
- OUTRIGGER WAIKIKI:**  
 >4-6p Duke's: Haumea Warrington / 9:30p-12a Ellsworth Simeona (info. 922-2268)  
 >4p Hula Grill: Aloha Hour / 7-9p Sheila Waiwaiole & Mara Sagapolu (info. 923-4852)  
 >5:30p Strolling Hawaiian music & hula, Upper & Lower lobby  
 >8:30p SOS Main Showroom: SOCIETY OF SEVEN (info. 923-7469)

### Friday, 3/23

- HOLIDAY INN WAIKIKI BEACHCOMBER RESORT:**  
**OUTRIGGER REEF:** >9:30a-5p Jimmy Buffett's: Free Surfing Museum Tours (info. 791-1200)  
 >9:30p Kailua Bay Buddies  
 >6:30-8:30p Kuloko Arts of Hawaii: Shoji Ledward (info. 922-5110)  
 >3-5p Kani Ka Pila Grill: Happy Hour / 6-9p Kaukahi (info. 924-4990)
- OUTRIGGER WAIKIKI:**  
 >4-6p Duke's: Maunaloa / 9:30p-12a Lawrence Kidder (info. 922-2268)  
 >4p Hula Grill: Aloha Hour / 7-9p Alike Souza & Johnny Kukui w/Kealoha (info. 923-4852)  
 >5:30p Piano by Jeanette Travias, piano area  
 >8:30p SOS Main Showroom: SOCIETY OF SEVEN (info. 923-7469)
- WAIKIKI BEACH WALK:**  
 >**3-6 & 6-9, Girl Scouts - Cookie Program, Plaza (info. 931-3591)**

### Saturday, 3/24

- HOLIDAY INN WAIKIKI BEACHCOMBER RESORT:**  
**OUTRIGGER REEF:** >9:30p Jimmy Buffett's: Kailua Bay Buddies (info. 791-1200)
- OUTRIGGER WAIKIKI:**  
 >3-5p Kani Ka Pila Grill: Happy Hour / 6-9p Manoa DNA (info. 924-4990)  
 >4-6p Duke's: Vaihi / 9:30p-12a Mike Tulba Duo (info. 922-2268)  
 >3:30p Hula Grill: Aloha Hour / 7-9p Kaipo Dabin & Buzzy Kealoha w/Kapua (info. 923-4852)  
 >SOS Main Showroom: 8:30p, SOCIETY OF SEVEN
- WAIKIKI BEACH WALK:**  
 >**3-6 & 6-9, Girl Scouts - Cookie Program, Plaza (info. 931-3591)**  
 >Giovanni Pastrami: Live Satellite SPORTS (info. 923-2100)

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## Weekly Events & Promotions

March 25-31, 2011



### Sunday, 3/25

HOLIDAY INN WAIKIKI  
BEACHCOMBER RESORT:  
OUTRIGGER REEF:

➤ 8p Jimmy Buffett's: Jeremy Cheng (info. 791-1200)

➤ 3-5p Kani Ka Pila Grill: Happy Hour / 6-9p Brother Noland (info. 924-4990)  
**\*\*March Promotions\*\***  
~Serenity Spa Hawaii (For more info. call: 926-2882)

OUTRIGGER WAIKIKI:

➤ 4-6p Duke's: Henry Kapono (info. 922-2268)  
➤ 2p Hula Grill: Aloha Hour / 7-9p Kalani Maio & Leilani Vakautu w/Kealoha (info. 923-4852)  
➤ 7p SOS Main Showroom: TRK The Rhythm Klub (info. 923-7469)

WAIKIKI BEACH WALK:

➤ 3-6 & 6-9, Girl Scouts - Cookie Program, Plaza (info. 931-3591)  
➤ Giovanni Pastrami: Live Satellite SPORTS (info. 923-2100)  
**\*\*March Promotions\*\***  
~Island Heritage (For more info. call: 923-4400)  
~Sushi 2 Go by Kaiwa: Daily Lunch Specials (For more info. call: 924-0555)

### Monday, 3/26

OUTRIGGER REEF:  
OUTRIGGER WAIKIKI:

➤ 3-5p Kani Ka Pila Grill: Happy Hour / 6-9p Sean Nauauo (info. 924-4990)

➤ 4-6p Duke's: Haumea Warrington / 9:30p-12a Ellsworth Simeona (info. 922-2268)  
➤ 4p Hula Grill: Aloha Hour / 7-9p David Asing (info. 923-4852)

### Tuesday, 3/27

HOLIDAY INN WAIKIKI  
BEACHCOMBER RESORT:  
OUTRIGGER REEF:

➤ 9a-5p Jimmy Buffett's: Free Surfing Museum Tours (info. 791-1200)

➤ 9 & 9:30a Martin & MacArthur: Create Hawaiian Feather Flowers (info. 447-2797)  
➤ 11a Kuloko Arts of Hawaii: FREE "Watercolor Lessons" w/ Patrice Federspiel (info. 922-5110)

OUTRIGGER WAIKIKI:

➤ 3-5p Kani Ka Pila Grill: Happy Hour / 6-9p Weldon Kekaouha (info. 924-4990)  
➤ 4-6p Duke's: Haumea Warrington / 9:30p-12a Ellsworth Simeona (info. 922-2268)  
➤ 4p Hula Grill: Aloha Hour / 7-9p Kamuela Kahoano (info. 923-4852)  
➤ 8:30p SOS Main Showroom: SOCIETY OF SEVEN (info. 923-7469)

WAIKIKI BEACH WALK:

➤ 4:30-6p "Ku Ha'aeo"~ Evening Hula, Fountain Stage (info. 931-3591)

### Wednesday, 3/28

OUTRIGGER REEF:  
OUTRIGGER WAIKIKI:

➤ 3-5p Kani Ka Pila Grill: Happy Hour / 6-9p Cyril Pahinui (info. 924-4990)  
➤ 4-6p Duke's: Haumea Warrington / 9:30p-12a Ellsworth Simeona (info. 922-2268)  
➤ 4p Hula Grill: Aloha Hour / 7-9p Jeremy Cheng (info. 923-4852)  
➤ 8:30p SOS Main Showroom: SOCIETY OF SEVEN (info. 923-7469)

WAIKIKI BEACH WALK:

➤ 4-4:45p "Free" Yoga on the Lawn (info. 922-0171)

### Thursday, 3/29

HOLIDAY INN WAIKIKI  
BEACHCOMBER RESORT:  
OUTRIGGER REEF:

➤ 9:00p Jimmy Buffett's: Borderline (info. 791-1200)

➤ 9a & 9:30a Martin & MacArthur: Weekly Artist Event ~ Boris Huang (info. 447-2797)  
➤ 3-5p Kani Ka Pila Grill: Happy Hour / 6-9p Kawika Kahiapo (info. 924-4990)

OUTRIGGER WAIKIKI:

➤ 4-6p Duke's: Haumea Warrington / 9:30p-12a Ellsworth Simeona (info. 922-2268)  
➤ 4p Hula Grill: Aloha Hour / 7-9p Sheila Waiwaiole & Mara Sagapolu (info. 923-4852)  
➤ 5:30p Strolling Hawaiian music & hula, Upper & Lower lobby  
➤ 8:30p SOS Main Showroom: SOCIETY OF SEVEN (info. 923-7469)

### Friday, 3/30

HOLIDAY INN WAIKIKI  
BEACHCOMBER RESORT:  
OUTRIGGER REEF:

➤ 9:30a-5p Jimmy Buffett's: Free Surfing Museum Tours (info. 791-1200)  
➤ 9:30p Kailua Bay Buddies

➤ 6:30-8:30p Kuloko Arts of Hawaii: Shoji Ledward (info. 922-5110)  
➤ 3-5p Kani Ka Pila Grill: Happy Hour / 6-9p Kaukahi (info. 924-4990)

OUTRIGGER WAIKIKI:

➤ 4-6p Duke's: Maunaloa / 9:30p-12a Lawrence Kidder (info. 922-2268)  
➤ 4p Hula Grill: Aloha Hour / 7-9p Alike Souza & Johnny Kukui w/Kealoha (info. 923-4852)  
➤ 5:30p Piano by Jeanette Travias, piano area  
➤ 8:30p SOS Main Showroom: SOCIETY OF SEVEN (info. 923-7469)

### Saturday, 3/31

HOLIDAY INN WAIKIKI  
BEACHCOMBER RESORT:  
OUTRIGGER REEF:

➤ 9:30p Jimmy Buffett's: Kailua Bay Buddies (info. 791-1200)

➤ 3-5p Kani Ka Pila Grill: Happy Hour / 6-9p Manoa Madness (info. 924-4990)

OUTRIGGER WAIKIKI:

➤ 4-6p Duke's: Beach 5 / 9:30p-12a Tahiti Rey Duo (info. 922-2268)  
➤ 3:30p Hula Grill: Aloha Hour / 7-9p Kaipo Dabin & Kauokalani Moikeha w/Kapua (info. 923-4852)  
➤ SOS Main Showroom: 8:30p, SOCIETY OF SEVEN  
➤ Giovanni Pastrami: Live Satellite SPORTS (info. 923-2100)

WAIKIKI BEACH WALK:

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#### **February 19 – Aaron Mahi, Martin Pahinui and George Kuo**

Audiences are in for a treat whenever the musical trio of Aaron Mahi, Martin Pahinui and George Kuo take the stage. Each musician is a highly recognized artist in his own right, but when they come together, magic happens. They've performed together for years so have solidified a musical style that blends their individual talents into a soulful harmony of traditional Hawaiian slack key guitar and vocal melodies. Don't miss this talented trio in what is sure to be a captivating concert at Waikiki Beach Walk.

#### **March 18 – Kapena**

Multi Na Hoku Hanohano award winning group, Kapena, headlines the March Sunday Showcase at Waikiki Beach Walk. Formed in 1984, this talented musical band has released over 20 albums and has received numerous awards and accolades from Hawaii's music industry. In addition to performing throughout Hawaii, Kapena has toured across the continental United States, from Alaska to Texas, as well as through the South Pacific and Asia. Today, Kapena has become a family act with Kelly Boy DeLima joined by his three children Kalena, Lilo and Kapena.



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**PŌMAIKA'INOKEAKUA LENORE KLEIN**  
**INSTALLED AS CITY'S 85<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL LEI DAY QUEEN**

Mayor Peter B. Carlisle, and sponsors Hawaiian Electric Company, Times Supermarkets, and the Hawai'i Tourism Authority, presented the City's 84<sup>th</sup> Annual Lei Queen on Saturday, March 3, 2012, at McCoy Pavilion.

Pōmaika'inokeakua Lenore Klein is the City's 2012 Lei Day Queen. Lei Queen Pōmaika'inokeakua is 25 and hails from Waimānalo, O'ahu. She is the daughter of Wallace and Marvalee Healani Klein.



Photograph by Dave Miyamoto of Dave Miyamoto and Company

Lei Queen Pōmaika'inokeakua is fluent in the Hawaiian language. She began dancing at the age of five with Kumu Hula Ellen Castillo and more recently under the direction of Kumu Hula Keano Kaupu and Lono Padilla. She earned an Associate's degree in Liberal Arts from Kapi'olani Community College, and currently works as a professional hula and Polynesian dancer. She was crowned the 2010 Miss Hawaiian Islands, representing Hawai'i at the Miss South Pacific Pageant in Papua New Guinea. Her hobbies include dancing, music, traveling, reading, learning about different cultures, and enjoying the company of family and friends.

Queen Pōmaika'inokeakua competed against five other women in this year's Nā Wahine 'Ōpio age group (18-30 years of age). First Princess is Kalai Sina Chow from Papakōlea, O'ahu. Second Princess is Christian Lei U'i Kaholokula from the Garden Isle of Kaua'i. Princesses Catelin Kawahinekoa Aiwohi (from Maui), Lorene Yoshimi Gima (from O'ahu), and Courtney Ellen Lynn Ku'uileilani Lynch (from O'ahu) round out this year's court. Lei U'i (Miss Kaua'i 2012) and Kawahinekoa (Miss Maui 2012) will compete in the Miss Hawai'i Pageant in June. The six finalists were judged on lei making, hula, language skills and poise, and ability to convey the spirit of aloha with warmth and dignity.



From left to right: Princess Lorene Yoshimi Gima, Second Princess Christian Lei U'i Kaholokula, 2012 Lei Queen Pōmaika'inokeakua Lenore Klein, First Princess Kalai Sina Chow, Princess Catelin Kawahinekoa Aiwohi, and Princess Courtney Ellen Lynn Ku'uileilani Lynch.

Photograph by Dave Miyamoto of Dave Miyamoto and Company.

This year's Lei Day theme is "Lei U'i Onaona," or Sweet Lei of Youth. Queen Pōmaika'inokeakua and her court will reign over the 85<sup>th</sup> Annual Lei Day Celebration festivities on Tuesday, May 1, 2012 at Queen Kapi'olani Regional Park and Bandstand.

The event is free to the public and features local entertainment and hula hālau. The Hawaiian Steel Guitar Association will perform in the open area

between the bandstand and the Waikiki Shell. The Lei Contest Exhibit can be viewed by the public from 1:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. in the open area between the bandstand and the Waikiki Shell. Some of the world's most exquisite lei will be exhibited in a variety of colors and methods.

Hawaiian artisans will share their talents and skills with exhibits and demonstrations throughout the day in the **Kulana Lei** village. While at **Kulana Lei**, have the **mo'opuna** (grandchildren) visit **Tūtū** (grandmother) at **Tūtū's Hale** to hear stories; play Hawaiian games; and learn songs, hula, lei making, and lauhala weaving. In addition to **Kulana Lei**, vendors offering craft, lei, and food will be available to the public.

The closing ceremony for the annual Lei Day Celebration is held at Mauna 'Ala (The Royal Mausoleum) and Kawaiāha'o Church on May 2 of each year.

The first Lei Day was celebrated in 1927 in downtown Honolulu with a few people wearing lei. Miss Nina Bowman was crowned the first lei queen in 1928.



Photo courtesy of Honolulu Star Advertiser

For more information about the 85<sup>th</sup> Annual Lei Day celebration, visit [www.honoluluparks.com](http://www.honoluluparks.com), or contact Kaiulani Kauahi, Lei Day Publicist, at 768-3041, or email [rkauahi@honolulu.gov](mailto:rkauahi@honolulu.gov).



**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

March 9, 2012

**85<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL LEI DAY CELEBRATION – LEI CONTEST RULES AVAILABLE**

(Fri., March 9, 2012) – The Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) announces that Lei Day lei contest rules are now available to the public and may be downloaded from DPR’s website, [www.honoluluparks.com](http://www.honoluluparks.com), or received by mail.

The public may sharpen their lei making skills by participating in DPR’s free lei making workshops. The schedule is also available on DPR’s website. The first lei making workshop begins on Saturday, March 31.



(photo by Alison Lee of Indelible Island Images)

The theme for the 2012 Lei Day Celebration at the Queen Kapi‘olani Regional Park and Bandstand is *Lei U‘i Onaona* (Sweet Lei of Youth). There are three lei contests this year: Hawaiian lei, youth lei, and lei lipine (ribbon, fabric, yarn lei). The material selected for the theme lei, one of the categories of the Hawaiian lei contest, is pīkake and/or pakalana.



(photo by Minako Kent of Beyond Borders Images)

The deadline to submit the lei lipine entries is Saturday, April 21, from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m., at the Makiki District Park parking lot, 1527 Ke'eumoku Street. Lei received after 10:30 a.m. may be displayed but will not be eligible for prizes. No lei lipine entries will be accepted on May 1.

The lei contest exhibit will be open to the public on May 1, from 1:00 to 5:30 p.m., in the area between the bandstand and the Waikīkī Shell. The exhibit boasts some of the most exquisitely crafted lei in a variety of colors and methods.



(photo by Minako Kent of Beyond Borders Images)

The celebration is presented by the City and County of Honolulu's Department of Parks and Recreation, and sponsored by Hawaiian Electric Company, Times Supermarkets, and the Hawai'i Tourism Authority.



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For more information about the 85<sup>th</sup> Annual Lei Day Celebration, visit [www.honoluluparks.com](http://www.honoluluparks.com) or call the Parks Department at 768-3041.

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Media Contact: Kaiulani Kauahi, Lei Day Publicist, 768-3041

## ANTEPRIMA/WIREBAG Launches New Wirebag Decorated with Abundant Floral Motifs

ANTEPRIMA/WIREBAG, well known for its fun yet sophisticated handbags expertly hand-knitted with cords exclusively manufactured in Italy, in a luxuriously dazzling array of colors, announced the launch of new "FIORI PERLATI" from the extremely popular "FIORI" line to be available in mid-March 2012.

Meaning flowers in Italy, the "FIORI" line continues to captivate women's hearts with its décor of pretty floral motifs and now introduces the brand new "FIORI PERLATI." These beautiful bags feature an abundance of pearly floral motifs woven over the entire surface. It comes in two designs that are both very versatile from formal to casual style. Enjoy your spring fashion with these lustrous floral bags!



New spring Wirebag "Fiori Perlati" featuring abundant floral motifs

### 1. FIORI PERLATI / Three-way Bag (\$524~\$571)

You can wear it cross-body or slung over your shoulder by tucking in the handles, or just carry it as a handbag. This is not only a pretty bag, but also functional in the details; magnet snap closure and inside lining.

Color: GOGENTO SEMI (shown above \$571), ARGENTO (\$527)

Size: W11 x H8 in



### 2. FIORI PERLATI / Handbag (\$454~\$491)

ANTEPRIMA's basic "square shape" version. This long-selling design is proven its versatility and can be dressed up or down. Chic size, but spacious enough for your essentials.

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Size: W10 x H8 in



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