



## Welcome to Ho'olauna

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### **About the Native Hawaiian Liaison Office, USAG-HI**

The Native Hawaiian Liaison to the Hawaii Army Garrison Commander was created to build relationships between Army soldiers and their families with the Native Hawaiian community. Its goal is to familiarize both groups with each others' culture and values through

### **Aloha!**

Welcome to the December issue of our monthly bulletin! This service is designed to keep you informed on Hawaiian-related activities and events happening in the Hawaii Army and the Native Hawaiian communities. Here you will find information that can assist in learning more about the Hawaiian culture - all delivered to you at the beginning of each month!

### **History Shorts: 'Iolani Palace**

'Iolani Palace, the only royal palace in the [United States](#), is the official residence of Hawaii's monarchy. It is a marvel of opulence, innovation, and political intrigue.

Meticulously restored to its former grandeur, this National Historic Landmark in downtown Honolulu tells of a time when their

Majesties, King Kalākaua, who built it in 1882, and his sister and successor, Queen Lili'uokalani, walked its celebrated halls.



The 'Iolani Palace structure that exists today is actually the second to sit on the grounds. The original one story wooden building called Hanailoia was built in July 1844, only one-third the floor area of the present palace. Hanailoia was purchased by King [Kamehameha III](#) in 1845. The palace building was named Hale Ali'i meaning (House of the Chiefs). During Kamehameha V's reign it was changed to 'Iolani Palace, in honor of his brother and predecessor, Kamehameha IV.

By the time David Kalākaua assumed the throne, the original 'Iolani Palace was in poor condition. He ordered the old palace to be torn down, and commissioned the construction of a new 'Iolani Palace. Kalākaua was the first monarch to travel around the world. While visiting Europe, he took note of the grand palaces owned by other monarchs. Like Kamehameha V, he dreamed of a royal palace befitting of the sovereignty of

workshops, cultural events, networking opportunities and other collaborative affairs to build new and lasting partnerships in the future.

### About the Ho'olauna Bulletin

**Ho'olauna**, translated means "to introduce one to another." This name was chosen because it represents the purpose of the bulletin - to introduce our Hawaii Army family and friends to the Native Hawaiian culture, traditions, language, history, and people. We hope you enjoy this complimentary service and learn a bit about your new island home.

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a modern state such as Hawaii. The cornerstone was laid December 31, 1879, and completed in November 1882. In December of that year King Kalakaua and Queen Kapi'olani took up residence in their new home.

The new 'Iolani Palace was outfitted with the most up-to-date amenities, including indoor plumbing. Gas chandeliers installed when the Palace was first built were replaced by electric lighting five years later (less than seven years after Edison invented the first practical incandescent bulb). The King also installed a modern communications system that included the recently invented telephone.

After the monarchy was overthrown in 1893, the building was used as the capitol building for the Provisional Government, Republic, Territory, and State of Hawaii until 1969. The palace was restored and opened to the public as a museum in 1978.

Today, you can enjoy one of the most spectacular living restorations in all of Polynesia and immerse yourself in Hawaii's royal heritage. On Kama'aina Sunday, generally the first Sunday of the month, free admission is offered to local residents. You must bring a Hawaii state ID, Hawaii driver's license, or Active Military Identification in conjunction with proof of Hawaii residency (ie: a utility bill) to receive free tickets.

**Source:** <http://www.iolanipalace.org/>

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## Featured Hawaiian Word: Hale

**Hale** (pronounced "Hah leh"\*): house, building, institution, lodge, station, hall;  
"E hele mai i ka hale" means "come over to the house!"

*\* A rule of thumb with pronouncing hawaiian words, is to remember that ALL letters are sounded. There are no silent letters in Hawaiian.*

**Source:**

Pukui, Mary Kawena, Elbert, Samuel H. Hawaiian Dictionary. Hawaii: University of Hawaii Press, 1986.

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## Upcoming Hawaiian Workshops @ Schofield

The Office of the Native Hawaiian Liaison, USAG-HI, the Island Palm Communities and ACS welcomes all Soldiers and families to participate in **free** Hawaiian workshops! This is a fun, unique way to learn about the Hawaiian culture, and meet other Army friends and family members!

### **Weekly Hula Classes**

**Mondays @ Schofield;**

**Tuesdays @ Aliamanu \*NEW!\***

Kumuhula (hula teacher) Ladd Heleloa will present different types of hula: kahiko (ancient) and auwana (modern). Learn some basic hula steps and walk away with a better understanding of the rich tradition of hula in Hawaii. No prior hula experience needed!



**Where: Schofield Barracks** - Kalakaua Community Center  
(2535 Waianae Uka Ave)

**When:** Every Monday

**Time:** Beginners: 5pm - 6pm; Advanced: 6pm - 7 pm

**Where: Aliamanu Military Reservation** - Community Center  
(182 Kauhini Rd, Bldg 1782)

**When:** Every Tuesday

**Time:** Beginners 5pm - 6pm; Advanced 6pm - 7pm

**To register or for more information,** contact the Native Hawaiian Liaison Office at (808) 655-9694 or email [nhliaison@gmail.com](mailto:nhliaison@gmail.com).

### **Dec 7 - Hulu "Feather" Workshop (AMR)**

Hulu manu, or bird feathers, were among the most esteemed and cherished belongings of Native Hawaiians. Rare feathers were used to create capes, helmets, leis and hair ornaments, including priceless items such as Kamehameha I's 'ahu'ula (feather cloak). Join us in this workshop and learn the history and art of hulu, and create your very own hulu hair accessory!



**When:** Wednesday, December 7th at 5:30 pm

**Where:** Aliamanu Military Reservation (AMR) Community Center(182 Kauhini Rd, Bldg 1788)

### **Dec 14 - Niu "Coconut" Weaving Workshop**

The coconut, since its introduction to Hawaii by Polynesian voyagers, has been a significant crop to the Native Hawaiian people due to its versatility in



use. The class will cover the history of coconut in Hawaii and share its various uses. Learn how to make specific items like bracelets, hats or headbands using coconut palm fronds. The Niu Weaving class will be headed by Mr. Pita Sala, a Native cultural practitioner and a member of the Honolulu Hawaiian Civic Club.

**When:** Wednesday, December 14, 2011; 5:30 pm

**Where:** Aliamanu Military Reservation (AMR) Community Center(182 Kauhini Rd, Bldg 1788)

**Seats are limited! To register** or for more information, contact the Native Hawaiian Liaison Office at (808) 655-9694 or email [nhliaison@gmail.com](mailto:nhliaison@gmail.com).

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## Hale 'aina - Featured Local Dining Spots!

### Wailana Coffee House

About 20,000 people will be running through the streets of Waikiki next Sunday (Dec. 11) for the Honolulu Marathon. But before they show up for the grueling 26.2-mile run, participants traditionally fuel up by carbo loading in the days leading up to the race.



For the past 10 years, Wailana Coffee House has been offering Honolulu Marathon Specials. Dec. 8-10, from 5 p.m. to midnight, enjoy an All-You-Can-Eat Spaghetti with Meat Sauce dinner, including all-you-can-eat salad bar and Parmesan garlic bread for \$9.95. This is just one of the few deals at Wailana's. The restaurant is known for being a great late-night spot where you'll find good food and value, along with a friendly and prompt staff.

**Location:** 1860 Ala Moana Boulevard Honolulu, HI 96815; (808) 955-1764; Open daily 24 hours.

### Genki Sushi

Genki Sushi is a popular Japanese chain famous for its conveyor-belt sushi. You can pick Small amounts of sushi to eat as you like. It's a perfect place to try a wide selection of sushi, ebi fry, chicken kara'age and more! Affordably priced and fun for the entire family.



**Location:** There are 9 locations on Oahu alone. To find one closest to you visit <http://genkisushiusa.com/locations.html>.

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## Events Around Town

### The Pearl Harbor Memorial Parade

The Pearl Harbor Memorial Parade is the Official Parade marking the 70th anniversary of the invasion of Pearl Harbor. This parade will take place on Pearl Harbor Day, December 7, 2011. This event has been recognized by numerous veterans associations, community organizations, military and government officials and will provide participants and spectators an opportunity to salute those men and women who have and continue to sacrifice for our nation.

**When:** December 7; 6:00 pm

**Where:** The parade will start at Ft. DeRussy, Waikiki

**For more information,** visit

<http://pearlharborparade.org/parade.php>

### Cinderella

Join us as we transport a new generation to the miraculous kingdom of dreams-come-true. Cinderella will make your heart soar when the slipper fits. Songs include: "Impossible," "Ten Minutes Ago" and "Do I Love You Because You're Beautiful."

**When:** December 8 through 18; varied times.

**Where:** Diamond Head Theatre (520 Makapuu Ave, Honolulu)

**Fee:** \$12,\$22,\$32,\$42

**For more information,** contact (808) 733-0274(808) 733-0274

### A Cazimero Christmas

On The Brothers Cazimero stage is always the native dance, the hula, performed by both men and women. Robert Cazimero and The Brothers Cazimero premiere dancer, Leinaala Heine, are two of the most respected kumu (teachers) of Hawaiian dance today, and their dancers appear with The Brothers



Cazimero around the world. Join Robert, Roland and Ala, along with the Royal Dance Company, Halau Na Kamalei, and the Miss and Master Keiki Hula from the 2011 Lili`uokalani Keiki Hula Festival as we celebrate the holidays as only we can in Hawaii.

**When:** December 9 & 10 at 7:30 pm; December 11 at 2 pm

**Where:** Hawaii Theater (1130 Bethel Street)

**Fee:** \$30 - \$75; \$5 off for Military

**For more information,** visit

[http://www.hawaiiitheatre.com/event\\_calendar.html](http://www.hawaiiitheatre.com/event_calendar.html)

### **Haleiwa Christmas Parade**

Come enjoy the Christmas spirit and lights of Historic Hale'iwa Town Friday, December 9th. The North Shore Chamber of Commerce's annual Christmas parade will kick off the Haleiwa Town celebrations with over 40 units planned including: bands, beauty queens, horse units, hula dancers, the fire engine, floats and other units unique to the North Shore.

**When:** December 9; 6:30 pm

**Where:** The parade starts at Weed Circle

**For more information:** visit <http://www.GoNorthShore.org>

### **Breakfast with Santa**

You better watch out, you better not shout, you better not pout I'm telling you why, Santa Clause is coming to....Kualoa! Bring the 'ohana to enjoy scrambled eggs, Portuguese sausage, island fruits, rice, pastries, and beverages with Jolly Old Saint Nicholas! Santa has made time in his busy schedule to take pictures with your keiki (personal camera only) and spread the Christmas cheer at Kualoa.



The morning will be filled with entertainment and Christmas crafts and activities for keiki.

**When:** December 10; 8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

**Where:** Kualoa Ranch (49-560 Kamehameha Hwy, Kaneohe)

**Fee:** \$20 per person

**For more information,** contact (808) 237-7321

### **Honolulu Marathon**

It may be a surprise that a marathon on a small, tropical island in the middle of the Pacific Ocean is among the ten largest marathon races in the world. But with its 25,000 annual runners the Honolulu Marathon really is up there with the big ones such as Boston, New York, Chicago and London. The 26-mile scenic course starts at Ala Moana Boulevard, and ends at Kapiolani Park.

**When:** December 11; 5 am

**Where:** Race starts at Ala Moana Boulevard/Queen Street Extension

**Fees & Information:** visit

<http://www.honolulumarathon.org/?s=registration>

### **Hawaii State Ballet's The Nutcracker**

The Hawaii State Ballet Junior Company, directed by John Landovsky, proudly presents its 25th annual production of The Nutcracker. A perennial Christmas favorite, The Nutcracker is about a young girl's journey through a dream world of princes, toy soldiers, scurrying mice, and dancing sweets! It's the perfect production to celebrate the holiday season and introduce children to the beauty of classical ballet.

**When:** December 11 through 17th; Varied times

**Where:** Dr. Richard T. Mamiya Theatre (3142 Waiialae Ave.)  
**Fee:** ranging from \$24.00- \$32.00 with discounts for Military  
**For more information,** call 947-2755 or visit  
<http://www.hawaiistateballet.com/nutcracker.html>

**15th Annual "Festival of Lights" Christmas Boat Parade  
Celebrate the holidays at the 15th Annual**

The Hawaii Kai Towne Center is hosting an evening of entertainment with Ukulele Hale led by Jody Kamisato, and Amber Ricci and the DragonFly band. The first 1,000 attendees will receive a FREE Blinky Light pin. Then at 6:00 p.m. be captivated by the festival of lights as the boats parade through the Hawaii Kai Marina waterway. Don't forget, there's plenty of retail and dining options, and free parking at the Towne Center. A truly unique event you won't want to miss.

**When:** December 17; 4:30 pm to 8:00 pm  
**Where:** Hawaii Kai Towne Center (333 Keahole Street, Honolulu)  
**Fee:** Free  
**For more information,** contact (808) 227-0988

**Bishop Museum - Free Admission** (in honor of Princess Bernice Pauahi Bishop's Birthday)  
In honor of the birthday anniversary of Bernice Pauahi Bishop, the Bishop Museum will waive admission for kama'aina and Military visitors (ID required). Bernice Pauahi Pākī was born on December 19, 1831. She was the great-granddaughter of King Kamehameha I. Her devoted husband, businessman and philanthropist Charles Reed Bishop, founded the Bishop Museum in her memory.

**When:** December 18  
**Where:** Bishop Museum (1525 Bernice Street)  
**Fee:** Free  
**For more information,** visit [www.bishopmuseum.org](http://www.bishopmuseum.org) or call (808) 847-3511.

**Sheraton Hawaii Bowl**

The Sheraton Hawaii Bowl pits a team from the Western Athletic Conference (WAC) against a team from the PAC-10 or Conference USA in the annual college football bowl game played at Honolulu's Aloha Stadium. This year, the Bowl will feature University of Southern Mississippi vs. the University of Nevada.

**When:** December 24; 3 pm  
**Where:** Aloha Stadium  
**Fee:** \$35 - \$45  
**For more information,** visit  
<http://www.sheratonhawaiibowl.com/>

**Countdown to 2012 at the Party of the Year at Aloha Towers**

The countdown to 2012 is on! So get your tickets to the "Party

of the Year" at Aloha Tower set to go on sale at Ticketmaster on Thursday, December 1. Ring in the New Year with a bang as Aloha Tower is transformed into a massive block party with live entertainment, jamming DJ's, cocktails and the biggest fireworks finale in Honolulu as the clock strikes midnight.

**When:** Dec 31; 7pm

**Where:** Aloha Tower Marketplace (1 Aloha Tower Drive, Honolulu)

**Fee:** \$20 - \$150

**For more information,** contact (808) 566-2337 or visit [www.nyehawaii.com](http://www.nyehawaii.com)

### **Latin Night at Schofield Barracks, First Friday!**

DJ Ever will take you through a salsa experience unlike any other that will have you grooving from the minute you walk in to the second you walk out. The best in Salsa, Merengue, Reggaeton, Bachata, Cha Cha Cha, Cumbia, Quebraditas, and Hip Hop upon request.

**When:** January 1; 8:00 pm

**Where:** Nehelani Banquet (1249 Kolekole Ave.)

**Fee:** Free

**For more information,** contact (808) 655-4466

### **Okage Sama De: The Story of the Japanese in Hawaii**

From taking that first hesitant step off a boat's wooden plank onto a foreign land to having your patriotism questioned after the bombing of Pearl Harbor - experience the multi-generational history of the Japanese in Hawaii.

The Japanese Cultural Center of Hawaii (JCCH) presents the exhibition, *Okage Sama De: "I am what I am because of you,"* which tells a cultural story that resonates with all ethnicities across the United States. The exhibit reveals the indelible legacies and values passed on from generation to generation-starting with the first wave of Japanese immigrants in 1868-that are now weaved into the Hawaii landscape and still carried on today.

**When:** January 4; 10 am

**Where:** Japanese Cultural Center of Hawaii (2454 S. Beretania Street, Honolulu)

**Fee:** \$3, \$5

**For more information,** visit <http://jcch.com/gallery.asp>

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### **Friendly Neighbors Needs Volunteers for Waikiki Elderly**

Friendly Neighbors, a volunteer-based program, helps Waikiki seniors (60+) maintain their independence at home by providing companionship and assistance. Many of the clients

cannot afford to pay for care or a nursing home, and are in desperate need of volunteers to help with basic, everyday necessities.

**For more information**, contact (808) 791-9366 or visit [http://www.waikikihc.org/services/services/senior\\_services/](http://www.waikikihc.org/services/services/senior_services/)

### **Christmas Volunteering Opportunity**

The human services division in Helping Hands Hawaii is looking for volunteers to assist with the seasonal Adopt-A-Family project. Every year during Christmas season Helping Hands Hawaii receive wish lists from families in need, and match them with donors in an effort to bring to the less fortunate families the gift giving spirit of Christmas. Volunteers are needed to assist with the process of reviewing applications, connecting with donors and families, and matching donors and families. Helping Hands Hawaii is looking for volunteers with office experience to assist with this program.

**For more information**, visit <http://www.helpinghandshawaii.org>

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### **Readers' Response!**

We'd love to hear from you! Tell us what you think about Ho'olauna, or share your recommendations for the bulletin. Reply to this email and let us know how we can make Ho'olauna a better resource for you.

Mahalo, and we look forward to hearing from you!

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