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**Outrigger Resorts and Henry Kapono present special “Artist to Artist” series
in collaboration with the special GRAMMY Museum[®]-curated exhibit
We Are Friends: A Lifetime Party of ‘70s Hawaiian Music at Blue Note Hawaii**

HONOLULU – Outrigger Resorts and Henry Kapono present a unique and exciting “Artist to Artist” series in collaboration with the special GRAMMY Museum[®]-curated exhibit *We are Friends: A Lifetime Party of ‘70s Hawaiian Music* – the first of its kind at Blue Note Hawaii - with Henry Kapono hosting Hawaii’s iconic GRAMMY Museum[®] featured artists.

The monthly series will run one Thursday a month, from June through September, and present Kapono of C&K, Malani Bilyeu of Kalapana, Jerry Santos of Olomana and Keola Beamer of The Beamer Brothers. Each show will begin with a “talk story,” artist to artist, hosted by Kapono, and end with a performance that will turn back the clock to the 1970s, when these artists ruled the airwaves and defined a generation’s music. Many of their songs continue to enjoy airplay today as solid gold classics that will forever be in our hearts.

“We are certainly pleased to play a supporting role in bringing Henry’s incredible talents to music fans around the world with this special series in conjunction with the GRAMMY Museum[®] exhibit,” said Sean Dee, executive vice president and chief marketing officer of Outrigger Enterprises Group. “It’s another example of Outrigger’s ongoing commitment to perpetuate Hawaiian music and culture.”

More details on the series, artists and ticket information may be found below – or by calling Blue Note Hawaii at (808) 725-2103 or visiting www.BlueNoteHawaii.com.

SEASON PASSES: To purchase the full series of all four shows, please go to: <https://goo.gl/52xRpO> and select the Season VIP (\$150) or Season Ultra VIP (\$250) package which include a “Meet & Greet” with the artists and a gift.

June 15 – Shows at 6:30 p.m. & 9:00 p.m.

HENRY KAPONO – Single Show Tickets: <https://goo.gl/V95rRd>

July 13 – Shows at 6:30 p.m. & 9:00 p.m.

MALANI BILYEU – Single Show Tickets: <https://goo.gl/2kuONc>

August 17 – Shows at 6:30 p.m. & 9:00 p.m.

JERRY SANTOS – Single Show Tickets: <https://goo.gl/tQO9vo>

September 14 – Shows at 6:30 p.m. & 9:00 p.m.

KEOLA BEAMER – Single Show Tickets: <https://goo.gl/PcbcgJ>

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For this special music series and throughout the year, guests can also book Outrigger's 'Rhythm & Blue Note' Package – inclusive of a room at Outrigger Waikiki Beach Resort, two lounge seats at Blue Note Hawaii and two standard cocktails. Visit: <https://www.outrigger.com/bluenote> for more details and booking.

On February 8th of this year, Henry Kapono, Malani Bilyeu and Gaylord Holomalia were joined by Johnny Valentine, Alx Kawakami, Blayne Asing and 2017 GRAMMY Award winner Kalani Pe'a for a performance to celebrate the opening of the *We Are Friends: A Lifetime Party of '70s Music* exhibit at the GRAMMY Museum® at L.A. LIVE. The Museum partnered with the Hawaii Academy of Recording Arts – with support from the Hawaii Tourism Authority and presenting sponsor Outrigger Resorts to produce the exhibit, which was on display there until April 2 and has since returned to Honolulu and is on display at the Hawaii Convention Center.

"It was such a great honor to be featured in the GRAMMY Museum®'s exhibit this year, but I am even more humbled to share the stage with these amazing local artists that I admire so much," said Henry Kapono. "We're grateful to work with Outrigger Resorts and Blue Note Hawaii to bring this very special series of shows to all the fans out there who have loved our music through the years. This will, indeed, be a 'Lifetime Party' for everyone who comes to celebrate with us!"

Kapono will also be performing at the GRAMMY Museum®'s Clive Davis Theater on June 29 – for a special installment of the Museum's *An Evening With Series*.

Kapono joins a series that has featured music greats such as Brian Wilson, Ringo Starr and Stevie Nicks. Hear the history of Henry Kapono and learn about his creative process as he "deconstructs" his career through an intimate, enthralling and interactive evening of interviews, Q&A and performances. The evening will be hosted by Scott Goldman, Executive Director of the GRAMMY Museum®.

ABOUT HENRY KAPONO/C&K

Henry Kapono is a performer who has it all – vocalist, guitarist, songwriter, composer, thrilling performer, audience favorite—and multiple honors and awards, including a GRAMMY® nomination. He has taken home numerous Nā Hōkū Hanohano Awards, including Male Vocalist of the Year, Song of the Year, Single of the Year, and Album & Rock Album of the Year.

ABOUT MALANI BILYEU/KALAPANA

In 1973, childhood friends Carl James Malani Bilyeu and David John ("DJ") Pratt auditioned at the Rainbow Villa for Cecilio & Kapono. Malani was soloing at the Oar House in Hawai'i Kai and DJ was downstairs at Chuck's with Kirk Thompson. They got together in DJ's grandfather's garage with Bryant Mackey Feary, another solo act – playing at the Oar House. They wrote songs, rehearsed, and played their first gig at Chuck's in Hawaii Kai. Today, with 18 albums under their belt, a Lifetime Achievement Award in 2011, and decades strong popularity in Hawai'i, the West Coast, Japan and throughout the Pacific, Kapalana still performs and tours extensively to sold-out venues, with Malani as lead vocalist.

ABOUT JERRY SANTOS/LOMANA

Best known for his work in the musical group Olomana, Jerry Santos has maintained an influential presence on the Hawai'i music scene for over four decades. Born and raised on the windward side of Oahu and a graduate of The Kamehameha Schools, Jerry established himself early on as one of Hawai'i's most prolific songwriters. As a founding member and lead singer of the legendary group, Olomana, Jerry helped to create a unique and easily recognizable musical style, blending Hawaiian music with contemporary rhythms. Over the years, Jerry has performed all over the world and his work has been recognized by the Hawaii musical community with numerous Na Hoku Hanohano Awards. He was also inducted into the Hawaiian Music Hall of Fame in 2011, with the late Robert Beaumont, who co-founded Olomana with Santos.

ABOUT KEOLA BEAMER/THE BEAMER BROTHERS

Keola Beamer is one of Hawai'i's premier singer/songwriters, arrangers, composers, and a master of Hawaiian slack-key guitar. "Keola Beamer's [slack-key] style is the best there is on the planet," said Willie Nelson. Beamer comes from a line of musicians five generations back, and can also trace his roots to the House of Kamehameha and Ahiakumai, 15th century rulers of Hawaii. Beamer established himself early as a leader of the wave of contemporary Hawaiian music when he wrote the classic "Honolulu City Lights" - which is still one of the all-time best selling recordings in the history of Hawaiian Music, and he was also the author of the very first Hawaiian Slack-Key Guitar book, published in 1972. Over the years he has received the Hawaii Academy of Recording Arts Lifetime Achievement Award, multiple GRAMMY® nominations and many Na Hoku Hanohano Awards.

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ABOUT OUTRIGGER HOTELS AND RESORTS

Outrigger Hotels and Resorts is a privately held leisure lodging, retail and hospitality company with corporate offices in Hawaii and operating globally in the Asia-Pacific, Oceania and Indian Ocean regions. From its [Outrigger Signature Experiences](#) to its [Outrigger DISCOVERY loyalty program](#), the values-based company invites guests to escape ordinary with exceptional hospitality and authentic cultural experiences, incorporating local traditions and customs at each of its properties worldwide. Founded in 1947, Outrigger has grown into a highly successful, multi-branded portfolio of hotels, condominiums and vacation resort properties, including Outrigger® Resorts, OHANA Hotels by Outrigger®, Hawaii Vacation Condos by Outrigger®, Embassy Suites®, Holiday Inn®, Best Western®, Wyndham Vacation Ownership® and Hilton Grand Vacations™. Outrigger currently operates and/or has under development 37 properties with approximately 6,500 rooms located in Hawaii (Oahu, Maui, Kauai, Hawaii Island); Guam; Fiji; Thailand; Mauritius; and the Maldives. Find out; find Outrigger at: www.outrigger.com or visit @OutriggerResorts on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) and [Twitter](#).

ABOUT KAPONO INC.

Kapono Inc. is a multi-faceted entertainment company founded in 1997 by Henry Kapono and his wife, Lezlee Ka’aihue. Initially formed solely to manage the endeavors of Henry Kapono, over the years Kapono Inc. has branched into a record company, as well as into local-based event management, production and promotion.

Most recently, Kapono Inc. has opened an artist management division. Its mission is to manage selected Hawaii-based musical artists with professionalism, passion for their work, and commitment to their craft, and who embody and share the Aloha Spirit.

ABOUT THE GRAMMY MUSEUM®

Established in 2008 as a partnership between the Recording Academy and AEG, the GRAMMY Museum is a non-profit organization dedicated to cultivating a greater understanding of the history and significance of music. Paying tribute to our collective musical heritage, the Museum explores and celebrates all aspects of the art form—from the technology of the recording process to the legends who have made lasting marks on our cultural identity. In 2017, the Museum integrated with its sister organization, the GRAMMY Foundation®, to broaden the reach of its music education and preservation initiatives. As a unified organization, today, the GRAMMY Museum® fulfills its mission of making music a valued and indelible part of our society through exhibits, education, grants, and public programming.

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