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Embark on a Voyage of Discovery with the 'O Ke Kai' Series at OUTRIGGER Reef

Delve into the art of Hawaiian canoe restoration and care on Dec. 9 from 9am – 12noon in collaboration with The Friends of Hōkūle'a, Hawai'iloa and Bishop Museum



HONOLULU – <u>OUTRIGGER Reef Waikiki Beach Resort</u> will have the grand finale of its "O Ke Kai" series for the year on December 2, 2023, from 9 a.m. to noon at the resort's A'o Cultural Center. This event is free and open to the public, welcoming guests to immerse themselves in the rich cultural heritage of Hawai'i.

In a gesture of commitment to preserving and passing on cultural treasures to future generations, all proceeds from this event will be donated to The Friends of Hōkūle'a and Hawai'iloa. This organization has dedicated itself to ensuring the proper maintenance of iconic cultural symbols such as the Hōkūle'a and Hawai'iloa. OUTRIGGER is honored to collaborate with The Friends, supporting their endeavors to safeguard these invaluable traditions. The special end-of-year series promises an engaging and educational experience for attendees, featuring:

- **Hands-on Workshops:** Engage in a canoe-lashing demonstration, explore a compass navigation display and witness the artistry of canoe building and restoration.
- Artist Talk Story: Join an insightful conversation with Kamea Hadar, the renowned artist behind the inspiring mural "I KA WA MA MUA, KA WA MA HOPE" (Through the Past is the Future).
- Craft Cocktails: Indulge in a specially crafted cocktail by Monkeypod Kitchen by Merriman, drawing inspiration from Kamea Hadar's captivating mural.
- **Hawaiian Fishing Traditions**: Umi Kai will present the time-honored traditions of Hawaiian fishing, providing a glimpse into the island's maritime heritage.
- Musical Performance: Enjoy a soulful musical performance by Kawika Kahiapo, adding a melodic touch to the cultural celebration.
- **Voyaging Image Raffle**: Participate in a unique raffle featuring captivating voyaging images presented by artist Leohone Magno.
- Ho'okupu Presentation: Witness a heartfelt presentation of ho'okupu (gift) to the Kanehunamoku Voyaging Academy, symbolizing the community's appreciation for their contributions to preserving seafaring traditions.

OUTRIGGER Reef Waikiki Beach Resort extends a warm invitation to residents and visitors alike to join in this cultural event, celebrating the legacy of Hawai'i's wayfaring legacy. Embrace the opportunity to connect with the past, present and future of navigation at the "O Ke Kai" Series on December 2, 2023. Your attendance and support contribute to the vital mission of preserving the cultural treasures that define the essence of Hawai'i.

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ABOUT OUTRIGGER

For 75 years, OUTRIGGER has charted a journey of discovery – expanding from Hawai'i to premier resort destinations including Fiji, Mauritius, Thailand and the Maldives. The privately held hospitality company invites guests to 'Come Be Here' with authentic Signature Experiences and the award-winning Outrigger DISCOVERY loyalty program – a member of the award-winning Global Hotel Alliance (GHA). OUTRIGGER's multi-branded portfolio includes OUTRIGGER® Resorts, OHANA Hotels by OUTRIGGER®, Hawaii Vacation Condos by Outrigger®, Kapalua Villas Maui and Honua Kai Resort & Spa Maui while also managing select properties from top international hotel brands including Embassy Suites by Hilton®, Best Western® and Hilton Grand Vacations®. Find out more at OUTRIGGER.com or visit @OUTRIGGERResorts on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.

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