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Celebrating Royal Legacy: OUTRIGGER Waikīkī Paradise Hotel Commemorates Princess Kaʻiulani's 150th Birthday at 150 Kaʻiulani Ave with Lei & Song

Taimane to honor Kaʻiulani with a performance of her new song, "Pikake Princess"



HONOLULU – The OUTRIGGER Waikīkī Paradise Hotel will host a community gathering on Thursday, Oct. 16, from 5:00 to 7:30 p.m., to celebrate Princess Kaʻiulani's 150th birthday and the one-year anniversary of its transformation from the OHANA Waikiki East into OUTRIGGER's second craft hotel, the Waikīkī Paradise.

The evening will begin with a traditional lei draping ceremony of the Princess' statue at Kaʻiulani Triangle Park (150 Kaʻiulani Avenue), where community organizations including The Daughters and Sons of Hawaiian Warriors/Mamakakaua, 'Ahahui Kaʻiulani, Royal Order of Kamehameha and Hale O Na Ali'i O Hawai'i will honor the beloved princess.

Following the ceremony, guests are invited across Kaʻiulani Avenue to the OUTRIGGER Waikīkī Paradise Hotel lobby, which will be transformed into a lush "paradise garden" by renowned florist Ocean Dreamer in tribute to the princess's historic 'Āinahau estate. There, Nā Hōkū Hanohano Award-winning artist Taimane will perform her brand-new song, *Pikake Princess*, which was written specifically for the OUTRIGGER Waikīkī Paradise Hotel in commemoration of Hawai'i's last princess. The evening will also feature the world premiere of the song's music video, filmed on-property in September.

Before and after the performance, guests can experience a rare glimpse of Princess Kaʻiulani's personal belongings, generously shared by Hawaiian Islands Stamp & Coin. Over 75 items owned by Princess Kaiulani or related to her life will be on display. These items include rare and one-of-a-kind pieces such as 25 original photos (including some that are personally autographed, which is very rare), as well as the Princess's own address book, personal letters in her own handwriting, including one remarkable letter written when she was 10 years old. Also special displays will include her belt, a favorite bracelet, some of her hair, a painting she made herself, her ukulele and more.

"Princess Kaʻiulani's life and legacy inspire us every day," said Kiana Beimes, General Manager of OUTRIGGER Waikīkī Paradise Hotel. "Through this event, we celebrate her birthday and connection to Waikīkī, her passion for aloha and the rich cultural heritage she represents."

At the heart of the celebration is the "[Paradise Originals](#)" – a collective of local artists, musicians and cultural practitioners whose work perpetuates the legacy of Princess Kaʻiulani. These creatives include 'ukulele virtuoso *Taimane*, painter *Jack Soren*, muralist *JT Ojerio (Aloha De Mele)*, photographer *Bree Poort*, cultural practitioner *Marques Marzan*, musician *Irie Love*, author *Meleana Estes*, entrepreneur *Jonathan Rotmensch* of the Gallery Waikiki and culinary storyteller *Bo Tanaka* of Tanaka of Tokyo. From bold artwork in every guest room to murals, music and chef-driven artistry, the Paradise Originals infuse the property with culture, ensuring that Princess Kaʻiulani's spirit continues to inspire every guest experience.

The festivities include an intimate acoustic performance by Irie Love and a curated marketplace presented by Art + Flea, highlighting Hawai'i's vibrant creative community including Saumolia Puapuaga, Kainoa Creations, Uluonalani Designs, The 'Ili'ili Edit, Mahaaalo, Aloha Lei Stand and Jack Soren. The event also features beverages from Appetito and tastings from Tanaka of Tokyo for purchase.

Schedule of Events

- 5:00 p.m. Lei Draping Ceremony at Kaʻiulani Triangle Park
- 5:30 p.m. Lobby Celebration Opens with Live Music by Taimane and Art + Flea Urban Market
- 6:00 p.m. Remarks by Sean Dee (EVP & CCO, OUTRIGGER Hospitality Group), Kiana Beimes (General Manager, OUTRIGGER Waikīkī Paradise Hotel) and Taimane
- 6:15 p.m. Taimane Performs *Pikake Princess* alongside Music Video Premiere
- 6:30 p.m. Acoustic Performance by Irie Love
- 7:30 p.m. Event Concludes

The public is welcome to join this once-in-a-lifetime celebration of Princess Kaʻiulani's legacy through music, art, history and aloha at OUTRIGGER Waikīkī Paradise Hotel.

OUTRIGGER Waikīkī Paradise Hotel Highlights:

- 443 newly renovated guest rooms and suites, designed as a modern-day royal escape.
- Interiors curated by Hawai'i artists and creatives.
- Enhanced amenities including conference facilities, reimagined pool, and modern fitness center with Peloton and Technogym equipment.

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