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OUTRIGGER Waikīkī Paradise Hotel hosts Lei Ceremony
Live Music, Artists & Artifacts to Celebrate Princess Kaʻiulani's 151st Birthday
Ei Nei, Taimane & Irie Love perform in honor of Hawai'i's beloved princess



HONOLULU – The OUTRIGGER Waikīkī Paradise Hotel will host a community gathering on Friday, October 16, from 5 to 9 p.m. to honor the legacy of Princess Kaʻiulani on her 151st birthday.

The evening will begin with a traditional lei draping ceremony at Kaʻiulani Triangle Park (150 Kaʻiulani Avenue), an annual tribute OUTRIGGER has organized since 1999 when the Princess' statue was first commissioned and placed at the corner of Kaʻiulani and Kūhiō avenues.

Now in its 27th year, the tradition brings together community organizations including The Daughters and Sons of Hawaiian Warriors/Māmakakaua, 'Ahahui Kaʻiulani, Royal Order of Kamehameha I and Hale O Nā Aliʻi O Hawaiʻi - organizations with deep ties to Hawaiʻi's royal history and the preservation of aliʻi legacy.

Following the ceremony, guests are invited across Ka'iulani Avenue to the OUTRIGGER Waikīkī Paradise Hotel lobby, which will be transformed into a lush "paradise garden" by renowned florist Ocean Dreamerr. The celebration will feature performances by Nā Hōkū Hanohano Award-winning artists Taimane and Ei Nei, along with Irie Love, spoken word by Hawai'i's first Poet Laureate Kealoha and a curated marketplace presented by Art + Flea, highlighting Hawai'i's vibrant creative community. The event will also feature beverages from Appetito and tastings from Tanaka of Tokyo for purchase.

Before and after the performances, guests can experience a rare glimpse of Princess Kaʻiulani's personal belongings, generously shared by Hawaiian Islands Stamp & Coin. More than 75 items owned by Princess Kaʻiulani 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, as well as the Princess's own address book, personal letters in her handwriting, including one remarkable letter written when she was 10 years old. Special displays will also include her belt, a favorite bracelet, a painting she made herself, her ukulele and more.

"I grew up in Waikīkī, not far from where her statue now stands, and Princess Kaʻiulani's story has always felt personal to me," said Kiana Beimes, General Manager of OUTRIGGER Waikīkī Paradise Hotel. "I also feel it's my kuleana - both to her legacy and to our community - to carry her spirit forward. I invite everyone to join us and honor her together."

The event is free and open to the public, with food and beverages available for purchase. Learn more and book your staycation at outrigger.com.

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