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#### HAWAI'I'S WORLD CLASS EVENTS CALENDAR January-June 2022

*Please note that events are subject to change without notice. For the most complete and updated Hawai'i calendar, please visit <u>GoHawaii.com/Events</u>.* 

#### JANUARY 2022

♦ January 5-9, 2022

**Sentry Tournament of Champions (Maui)** — The Sentry Tournament of Champions at Kapalua Golf is the calendar-year opening tournament of golf's PGA TOUR season. It's also the only event on the PGA TOUR Pro-Am featuring champions from the previous season, attracting more than 30 of the world's best golfers. <u>GolfAtKapalua.com</u>

#### ♦ January 7-9, 2022

**New Year's 'Ohana Festival (O'ahu)** — The Japanese Cultural Center of Hawai'i's (JCCH) New Year's 'Ohana Festival is the state's largest annual festival celebrating Japanese New Year traditions and this year it is going virtual. The New Year's 'Ohana Festival is an opportunity for the community to come together and celebrate the New Year and Hawai'i's cultural diversity. Tune in at <u>youtube.com/JapaneseCulturalCenterofHawaii</u> for all the 'Ohana Festival favorites like

cultural performances, martial art demonstrations, Shintō New Year's traditions, the 70<sup>th</sup> Cherry Blossom Festival Opening Ceremony, silent auctions and more. <u>JCCH.com</u>

#### ♦ January 7-23, 2022

Kauai Community Players presents, "All My Sons" (Kaua'i) — Performing arts enthusiasts are invited to experience live theatre hosted by Kauai Community Players. Opening the year, the troupe's stage production of playwright Arthur Miller's "All My Sons" follows a family and community a few years after a disastrous event occurs during World War II. The American classic won a Tony Award for Best Author and a New York Drama Critics' Circle Award for Best Play. <u>KauaiCommunityPlayers.org</u>

### ♦ January 10-16, 2022

**Sony Open in Hawai'i (O'ahu)** — Each January, the Sony Open in Hawai'i attracts more than 140 of the world's top golf professionals to the Waialae Country Club on the island of O'ahu. The PGA TOUR event is also one of the largest charity golf events in Hawai'i, having raised almost \$22 million dollars for over 350 local nonprofits. <u>SonyOpenInHawaii.com</u>

### • January 14-February 18, 2022

**Annual Juried Exhibition (Maui)** — Kicking off the new year, Hui No'eau Visual Arts Center again hosts its annual Juried Exhibition, a prestigious competition offering visitors an opportunity to view current work by local artists in all media. A renowned panel of exhibition guest jurors offer new perspectives for each year's unique show. <u>HuiNoeau.com</u>

# ♦ January 16, 2022

Maui Oceanfront Marathon (Maui) — The 14<sup>th</sup> Maui Oceanfront Marathon is a community event benefiting local school teams, clubs and multiple Maui nonprofit groups. This competition's course is a scenic one, taking runners along the oceanside highways of Maui's windswept west side, with views of whales and surfer. The event also offers a half marathon starting in Lahaina, a 15K starting at Pāpalaua Beach, and a 5K from Lone Palm Point, all finishing at Kamehameha Iki Park. MauiOceanFrontMarathon.com

# • January 20-22, 2022

**Mitsubishi Electric Championship at Hualālai (island of Hawai'i)** — The Mitsubishi Electric Championship at Hualālai is set to be part of the opening of the PGA Tour Champions season on the island of Hawai'i at Hualālai Resort Golf Club. The tournament's roster will be filled with PGA champions from the past five years and other tournament winners of the past two years. HualalaiResort.com

# • January 22, 2022

**Polynesian Football Hall of Fame Polynesian Bowl (O'ahu)** — The Polynesian Bowl is held annually during the Polynesian Football Hall of Fame's Enshrinement Week and regularly includes some of the world's top high school football players gathering to celebrate culture and play the game they love. <u>PolynesianFootballHOF.org</u>

### • January 28-29, 2022

**Chinese New Year Celebration (O'ahu)** — In celebration of the Year of the Tiger, the Chinese Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii will present its annual Chinese New Year Celebration at the Chinatown Cultural Plaza. The family-friendly event features food and craft booths, live entertainment, special cultural performances, lion and dragon dances, lion dancing on poles, and more. <u>ChineseChamber.com</u>

### • January 30, 2022

**20**<sup>th</sup> **Annual "Art of Aloha" (Maui)** — Maui's largest art show celebrates its two-decade anniversary at Lahaina Galleries in the Shops at Wailea, welcoming eight captivating artists from around the world. Visitors to this year's exhibition will enjoy art from Guy Buffet, Dario Campanile, Carrie Graber, Ronaldo Macedo, Robert Lyn Nelson, Michael JamesTalbot, Steve Turnbull and Donna Young. LahainaGalleries.com

### FEBRUARY 2022

- February 18-March 6, 2022
  - Kauai Community Players presents, "Mama Won't Fly" (Kaua'i) Performing arts enthusiasts are invited to experience live theatre hosted by Kauai Community Players. When Savannah Sprunt Fairchild Honeycutt agrees to get her feisty mother all the way from Alabama to California in time for her brother's wedding, "Mama Won't Fly" becomes a hilarious race against the clock. <u>KauaiCommunityPlayers.org</u>
- February 19-27, 2022

**Waimea Town Celebration (Kaua'i)** — Kaua'i's longest-running festival celebrates its 44<sup>th</sup> anniversary with nine days of music concerts, cultural exhibits and vibrant cuisine, all culminating in a two-day *ho'olaule'a* (celebration) allowing attendees to engage in the rich history of Kaua'i. Visitors and residents are invited to experience this popular celebration in historic Waimea town. <u>WaimeaTownCelebration.com</u>

• 2022 dates to be announced

**POW! WOW! Hawai'i (O'ahu)** — POW! WOW! Hawai'i is weeklong celebration of culture, music and the arts in Honolulu's Kaka'ako district. Artists from around the globe are invited each year to create and showcase their work, participating in a district-wide beautification project helping promote education of street art. The event includes gallery shows, live panel discussions, mural projects, concerts, live art installations and more. <u>PowWowHawaii.com</u>

# MARCH 2022

• March 6, 2022

**Maui 5K (Maui)** — Runners are invited to join the 11<sup>th</sup> annual Maui 5K, presented by the Maui Ocean Center, with opportunities to participate in the event's timed 5K race, untimed 1-mile run/walk for *keiki* (children) and adults, stroller 5k run, 1- mile walk, or even a virtual option. <u>Maui5k.org</u>

# • March 14, 2022

**Prince Kūhiō Day Celebration (Kaua'i)** — The annual Prince Kūhiō Day holiday celebrates the life, accomplishments and birthday of Kingdom of Hawai'i prince Jonah Kūhiō Kalaniana'ole and his legacy promoting native Hawaiian culture and practices in the hearts and minds of people around the world. Visitors to this Kaua'i celebration are invited to participate in a day of fun educational and cultural activities for the whole family. <u>PrinceKuhioDayCelebration.com</u>

• March 31-April 2, 2020

**Kaua'i Steel Guitar Festival (Kaua'i)** — Celebrating its sixth year, the Kaua'i Steel Guitar Festival includes steel guitar performances by master and youth players, steel guitar exhibits, hands-on experiences for festival guests, school presentations, workshops, open-stage playing sessions, and public *kanikapila* (Hawaiian-style jamsessions). Held at the Sheraton Kaua'i Coconut Beach Resort, the festival offers performance opportunities for amateur and professional steel guitarists, and, for residents and visitors, opportunities to learn about and enjoy Hawaiian music and the sound of the Hawaiian steel guitar. <u>KauaiSteelGuitarFestival.com</u>

# APRIL 2022

• April 1-17, 2022

**Kauai Community Players presents, "The Roommate" (Kaua'i)** — Performing arts enthusiasts are invited to experience live theatre hosted by Kauai Community Players. The tale of "The Roommate" follows the exploits of Sharon, a 50-something recently divorced housewife and anxious empty-nester who experiences trepidation advertising for a roommate to share her large home in Iowa City. <u>KauaiCommunityPlayers.org</u>

• April-September 2022

**Hawai'i Marlin Tournament Series (island of Hawai'i)** — Hawai'i is renowned for its big-game fishing excitement, with anglers from across the globe flocking to the Islands in anticipation of snagging a prized marlin, yellowfin tuna or other deep-sea game fish. The Hawai'i Marlin Tournament Series captures the thrill of the sport with several events, including the:

- Lazy Marlin Hunt April 1-3
- Kona Kick-Off June 25-26
- ◆ Firecracker Open July 2-3
- ♦ Kona Throw Down July 5-7
- Skins Marlin Derby July 8-10
- ♦ Hawaii Lure Makers Challenge July 15-17
- Big Island Marlin Tournament August 26-28
- It's a Wrap Tournament September 2-4

For more information, visit KonaTournaments.com.

### • April 2, 2022

**Lavaman Waikoloa Triathlon (island of Hawai'i)** — The Lavaman Triathlon is an annual extravaganza of sports and fitness comprised of a 10K run, 40K bike ride, and 1.5K swim. The event is open to individuals and relay teams of all ages and abilities, and is followed by an awards party and beach barbeque at 'Anaeho'omalu Bay. LavamanTriathalon.com

#### • April 17-23, 2022

**Volunteer Week Hawai'i (Statewide)** – Give back and *mālama* (care for) Hawai'i by participating in volunteer opportunities through Kōkua Exchange, a Hawai'i-focused time bank. Timebanking, also known as skill-sharing, is an opportunity that allows the community to 'barter' services indirectly with other people by locking their barter hours into the 'bank'. This cross-sector campaign brings together residents, visitors, nonprofits, businesses, schools and government agencies in a concerted effort to take grassroots action that serves Hawai'i's communities. <u>KanuHawaii.org</u>.

#### • April 17-23, 2022

**Merrie Monarch Festival (island of Hawai'i)** – Held each spring in Hilo, Hawai'i, this festival honors King Kalākaua and his contributions to the revitalization of hula. Typically an in-person event, this year's week-long celebration featuring the prestigious, three-night Merrie Monarch Hula Competition will be livestreamed from the Edith Kanaka'ole Stadium. <u>MerrieMonarch.com</u>

### • April 10, 2022

**The Hapalua (O'ahu)** — The largest half marathon in Hawai'i, The Hapalua is back this year for in-person competition. The 13.1-mile race begins and ends in Waikīkī, with runners enjoying spectacular views as they take a loop course through Honolulu and up and around the slopes of Lē'ahi (Diamond Head State Monument) before ending at a Kapi'olani Park finish line. Runners completing The Hapalua receive a medal and shirt. Also at the finish line, participants can relax, recover and celebrate their success with fresh, hot malasadas and cold, refreshing shave ice. <u>TheHapalua.com</u>

### • April 22-24, 2022

**Kawaii Kon (O'ahu)** — Kawaii Kon is a two-day convention celebrating Japanese anime (cartoons), manga (comics) and all facets of Japanese culture. Offering a variety of events

and activities throughout the weekend, Kawaii Kon is held annually at the Hawai'i Convention Center. <u>KawaiiKon.com</u>

• April 23, 2022

**Waikiki SPAM JAM® (O'ahu)** — The annual Waikiki SPAM JAM® street festival celebrates Hawai'i's love for, of course, SPAM®. The family-friendly event happens in the heart of Waikīkī on Kalākaua Avenue and features local restaurants offering creative SPAM® dishes alongside entertainment stages and products from Hawai'i crafters. The event benefits the Hawai'i Foodbank, the state's largest nonprofit feeding those in need. <u>SpamJamHawaii.com</u>

# • April 24, 2022

**Maui Marathon and Half Marathon (Maui)** — The Maui Marathon is Hawai'i's longest consecutively-held running event and oldest marathon west of the Mississippi River. Runners can participate in a full marathon, half marathon, 10K, 5K or a newly added full marathon relay. The full marathon and marathon relay begin in Kahului and ends on Maui's west side in Kā'anapali with scenic views greeting runners along much of the course. <u>MauiMarathon.com</u>

• 2022 dates to be announced

**East Maui Taro Festival (Maui)** — Held in Hāna, the annual East Maui Taro Festival features all-day *hula* and music, local arts and crafts, a farmers market spotlighting multiple species of *kalo* (taro) — from *huli* (shoots) to potted plants — the *kalo* dessert *kulolo* and fresh *poi*, food booths, and hands-on cultural activities, including *poi* pounding, *lauhala* weaving, and *kapa* cloth-making. <u>TaroFestival.org</u>

### MAY 2022

• May 1, 2022

**Lei Day Celebration (O'ahu)** — As one of Hawai'i's most emblematic symbols of aloha, *lei* — and the crafting of *lei* — have been celebrated in the Hawaiian Islands on Lei Day since 1927. The City and County of Honolulu's official Lei Day event is held at Kapi'olani Park in Waikīkī, honoring *lei* and the traditions surrounding it with festivities, including pageants and competitions for *lei* queen and the crafting of colorful and fragrant flower *lei*. <u>HonoluluParks.com</u>

# • May 13-29, 2022

**Kauai Community Players presents, "Company" (Kaua'i)** — Performing arts enthusiasts are invited to experience live theatre hosted by Kauai Community Players. Stephen Sondheim's groundbreaking modern musical, "Company," is a mature, intelligent and wildly funny look at relationships, vulnerability and "being alive." The critically acclaimed musical received six Tony Awards, including Best Musical, Best Book, Best Score and Best Lyrics. <u>KauaiCommunityPlayers.org</u>

# • May 13-22, 2022

**Maui Classical Music Festival (Maui)** — The annual Maui Classical Music Festival aims to gather world-renowned musicians for its 40<sup>th</sup> season to create and showcase a wide-appeal program spanning the Baroque period to 20<sup>th</sup>-century works. The festival's work is focused on enriching and educating the Maui community by presenting celebrated musicians performing chamber music to build a growing audience of Maui and Hawai'i residents and visitors.<u>MauiClassicalMusicFestival.org</u>

• May 14, 2022

**'Ahahui Kīwila Hawai'i O Mo'ikeha** — Ka Moku O Manikalanipō Pā'ani Makahiki and May Day by the Bay (Kaua'i) — This community event at Wai'oli Beach Park in Hanalei features *mele* (music), *hula* (dance), cultural practitioners, Kaua'i-made products, a silent auction and 'ono food with an aim of perpetuating Hawaiian culture and creating an authentic experience for visitors. <u>Moikeha.org</u>

• May 15, 2022

**Honolulu Triathlon (O'ahu)** — The Honolulu Triathlon is an Olympic-distance triathlon beginning and ending at Ala Moana Beach Park, and features a 1.5K swim along the shore, a 40K bike course along O'ahu's south shore and a 10K double loop run ending at the park's Magic Island area. <u>HonoluluTriathlon.com</u>

• 2022 dates to be announced

**Banana Poka Round-Up (Kaua'i)** — The Kōke'e Museum's Banana Poka Round-Up is an educational fair highlighting the creative function of the banana poka vine, an invasive South American pest. The family-friendly event's activities include basket weaving, live music, educational presentations, face painting, hiking and nature art for kids. <u>Kokee.org</u>

# JUNE 2022

◆ June 4, 2022

**IRONMAN 70.3 Hawai'i Triathlon (island of Hawai'i)** — A qualifying event for the October IRONMAN World Championship, also held on the island of Hawai'i, this Olympic-distance race is comprised of a 1.2-mile swim at Hāpuna Beach Park, 56-mile bike ride on lava-surrounded Queen Ka'ahumanu Highway, and 13.1-mile run through the scenic grounds of Mauna Lani Resort. Ironman.com

### June 5-12, 2022

**Kapalua Wine and Food Festival (Maui)** — One of Hawai'i's most prestigious culinary festivals, the Kapalua Wine and Food Festival annually celebrates the delicious combination of fine food and wine with a four-day culinary extravaganza. The festival aims to explore some of the most exciting trends in the gastronomic world, bringing together world-renowned winemakers, top master sommeliers, celebrated chefs and industry insiders for themed tastings, seminars and evening gala culinary events. KapaluaWineAndFoodFestival.com

♦ June 6-10, 2022

**Hawaii Adaptive Surfing Championships (O'ahu)** — Hawaii Adaptive Surfing Championships (HASC) brings together elite adaptive surfers from Hawai'i and around the world for competition at iconic Waikīkī surf break Queens. Hosted by AccesSurf Hawaii and Pacific Rim Sports, the event spotlights 90 surfers with disabilities from 16 nations competing in seven divisions with a mission of paving the path for the inclusion of surfing in the Paralympic Games. Competing surfers represent a high level of athleticism and dedication from around the world, joining to share their love of surfing with *aloha*. The competition includes a traditional Hawaiian blessing, a *lei* draping of Waikīkī's Duke Kahanamoku statue, hula performances and more. <u>AccesSurf.org</u>

### • June 10-12, 2022

**Hawai'i Kuauli Pacific and Asia Cultural Festival (island of Hawai'i)** — This three-day celebration spotlights the island of Hawai'i and its significance as a cultural melting pot.

Attendees enjoy food, fashion, cultural expressions, a *keiki hula* (children's hula) competition and cultural workshops. <u>HIKuauli.com</u>

◆ June 10-12, 2022

**Pan-Pacific Festival (O'ahu)** — The Pan-Pacific Festival began in Hawai'i in 1980 as a cultural exchange between the state and Japan. Visiting participants from Japan were invited to enjoy the familiarity of Japanese music, crafts, traditions and foods, while Hawai'i residents and other visitors were offered opportunities to gain a deeper appreciation of Japanese sensibilities and cultural heritage. Today, the festival features events held throughout Waikīkī showcasing Japan's pageantry and includes a *ho'olaule'a* (celebration) block party, art fair and *hula* performances, culminating with a grand parade on Waikīkī main street Kalākaua Avenue. <u>Pan-Pacific-Festival.com</u>

# ◆ June 11, 2022

**King Kamehameha Day Celebrations (island of Hawai'i)** – Every June 11, gather on the island of Hawai'i to honor Kamehameha I, the chief who united the Hawaiian Islands in 1795. Festivities span across the island in Hilo, North Kohala and Kona. Festivities include a *lei* ceremony honoring the King Kamehameha statue, traditional Hawaiian dance, music, chant, practices, arts and crafts, *'ono* (delicious) food and more. KamehamehaDayCelebration.org

# ◆ June 11, 2022

**King Kamehameha Celebration Floral Parade (O'ahu)** — Celebrating its 150th anniversary, the colorful King Kamehameha Celebration Floral Parade honors the reign of the Kingdom of Hawai'i's first monarch, who united the Hawaiian Islands under his rule. The parade features brightly decorated floats, energetic marching bands and traditional  $p\bar{a}'\bar{u}$  riders representing the Hawaiian royal court on horseback. A *ho'olaule'a* (celebration) follows the parade. <u>Hawaii.gov/Kamehameha</u>

# • June 26, 2022

Kona Marathon and Family Fun Runs (island of Hawai'i) — In addition to a traditional marathon competition, the Kona Family Fun Runs offer half-marathon, 10K and 5K courses for runners of all ages and abilities. Don't miss the day-before-the-Kona Marathon Health and Fitness Fair, a family-friendly event featuring more than 45 vendor booths, entertainment, a speaker series and food. KonaMarathon.com

### • 2022 dates to be announced

**Maui Film Festival at Wailea (Maui)** — Equal parts film and lifestyle festival, this star-studded annual event pairs Hawaiian culture and film with events in Maui resort area Wailea. Spanning five days, the Maui Film Festival at Wailea consists of film premieres, gala parties, celebrity appearances, and Hawai'i music and dance. <u>MauiFilmFestival.com</u>

### • 2022 dates to be announced

**4th Annual East Meets West Festival and First Sunday Jazz Series (Maui)** — The East Meets West Festival, presented by Jazz Maui, is a weeklong event series bringing together performers, educators and students from Hawai'i, the U.S. mainland and Southeast Asia for a celebration of jazz music, contemporary dance and Maui's multiethnic cuisine. JazzMaui.org

# • 2022 dates to be announced

**28th Annual Hawaiian Slack Key Guitar Festival "Maui Style" (Maui)** — The public is invited to engage and participate in this music and cultural event annually showcasing up to 20 master musicians of the skilled art of  $k\bar{i}$  ho'alu (slack-key guitar). Musicians in attendance share the origins of  $k\bar{i}$  ho'alu, its influences, and the genre's place in modern music. The festival also features Hawai'i crafters, local food vendors and festival merchandise. <u>SlackKeyFestival.com</u>

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#### **Special Note to Media:**

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