

Message from Maui Nui - September 2023

Maui Nō Ka 'Oi

Aloha kākou,

Last month the world saw the devastating fire that destroyed Lahaina, and in the aftermath, the awe-inspiring strength of a community that came together to uplift one another.

West Maui communities of Kāʻanapali, Nāpili, Honokōwai, and Kapalua will fully reopen on Sunday, October 8 as announced by Hawaiʻi Governor Josh Green, M.D this month. In the meantime, travelers are encouraged to visit other areas of Maui including Kahului, Wailuku, Kīhei, Wailea, Mākena, Pāʻia, Makawao, and Hāna.



"No one in Hawai'i will ever forget the tragedy that our friends, families, loved ones, and colleagues in Lahaina are enduring," said Daniel Nāhoʻopiʻi, Chief Administrative Officer of the Hawai'i Tourism Authority. "The response from residents statewide and by people around the world to support Maui's recovery has been incredible and inspiring. Now is the time for people everywhere to show their support for Maui by booking trips, making restaurant reservations, and frequenting Maui's retail stores and attractions that support workers and their families."

HOW TO MĀLAMA MAUI

Following are important ways that visitors can help *mālama* (care for) Maui, keep residents employed and local businesses open, and support the community's well-being:

- COME WITH COMPASSION The people of Maui need your compassion and support. Please be respectful and mindful in our island home.
- HELP MAUI RECOVER While West Maui is not accessible to visitors at this time, we strongly encourage travelers to visit the rest of Maui and the other Hawaiian Islands Hawaii Island, Lānai, Molokai, Oʻahu and Kauai.
- SUPPORT LOCAL Support Maui's shops and restaurants, farmers' markets, tours and activities, and festivals and events. Your dollars will support local employees and businesses.
- DONATE TO MAUI If you would like to provide a monetary donation in support of ongoing relief efforts on Maui, please visit mauinuistrong.info.

As you prepare for your upcoming trip to Maui Nui, there still are exciting and captivating new experiences the rest of Maui has to offer at this time as you continue to read below. For more resources, maps, and the latest information on responsible travel to Maui, please visit the official travel site of the Hawaiian Islands at gohawaii.com.

Mahalo for your continued support of our Maui 'ohana. We will keep you informed on what's new and how to visit West Maui in our next edition.



New Offerings

Fairmont Kea Lani's multiyear renovation project is set for a December completion, transforming the resort "in meaningful ways that evoke stories of the island's rich cultural heritage and accentuate the natural beauty of Hawai'i." The 22-acre all-suite and -villa property will unveil a reimagined lobby, Hawaiian cultural center and oceanfront restaurant and lounge. All of this in addition to a redesign of the property's 413 one-bedroom suites and 37 two-story villas. For more information, please visit www.Fairmont-Kea-Lani.com.





Four Seasons Resort Maui invites guests, visitors and residents to experience the Dos Hombres Cocina pop-up, a collaboration with artisanal mezcal brand Dos Hombres, created by friends and former "Breaking Bad" co-stars Aaron Paul and Bryan Cranston. From August 25 through December 2, resort diners and visitors will enjoy a culinary journey set in the tropical gardens of the property's Fountain View Lawn. The pop-up's Oaxacan-inspired menu aims to spotlight fresh Hawai'i-grown ingredients paired with Dos Hombres craft cocktails. For more information, please visit www.FourSeasons.com/maui/dining/restaurants/dos-hombres-cocina/.

Wailea Beach Resort just debuted its brand-new lobby Makani Bar. Makani translates to wind in Hawaiian, is a unique canned-drink concept that allows visitors to "breeze through" the hotel's public spaces and grab a drink to go. All drinks (beer, wine + craft cocktails and mocktails) will be served in cans, with the resort's bartenders + beverage experts canning their craft concoctions on-property. In addition, Wailea Beach Resort's new Olakino wellness pool experience is now available to non-guests for booking; with 3 daily pass options available. For more information, visit www.waileabeachresort.com.





The adults-only wellness retreat **Sensei Lanai, a Four Seasons Resort** debuts new hale experiences. **Sarga Bodywalking** is a barefooted myofascial release massage. The therapist applies deep, gliding foot pressure with the aid of silk straps to maintain stability, improving circulation and stretching fascia. In **The Art of Massage,** couples engage in open communication, cultivate active listening skills, and learn the fundamentals of body massage while learning skills to bring home. **Sensei Active Toning Facial** delivers toned and rejuvenated skin in a 90-minute treatment utilizing patented Theraface technology. For more information, visit www.sensei.com/spa.

In response to the community's need for recovery and self-care, **Maui Ocean Center** is now offering discounted admission every weekend to all Hawai'i residents. Each Saturday and Sunday, kama'āina admission is \$10 for keiki (child) and \$15 for makua (adult) from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (with last entry at 4 p.m.) A valid Hawai'i state ID is required, with the exception of affected Lāhainā and Upcountry residents. For tickets, choose the "Kama'āina Weekends" option at www.mauioceancenter.com/reservations.





Grand Wailea, a Waldorf Astoria Resort, is on the heels of completing a multi-million-dollar, property-wide refresh, marking the most extensive renovation since its launch more than 30 years ago. The iconic resort perched along 40 acres of lush, tropical gardens fronting Maui's Wailea Beach will be completely reimagined including refreshed public spaces inspired by the vibrancy of Maui's landscape, new food & beverage venues featuring fresh and local ingredients, upgraded guest rooms and suites and a compete transformation of its stunning, 50,000 square-foot spa. For more information or to book, visit www.grandwailea.com.



Sports



Golfers swinging through Wailea's award-winning Gold and Emerald courses can now do so with an even lighter footprint. **Wailea Golf Club** has introduced a new fleet of **E-Z-GO RXV Elite golf cars** featuring the most energy-efficient vehicles in the industry. Included are 170 two-passenger cars with premium seating, lithium batteries, and an innovative design that lowers electricity needs and reduces wear on the courses' natural turf – so golfers can play more and impact less. Coming soon are several four-passenger cars suitable for families who enjoy playing together. Information: www.waileagolf.com.



Culture, Sustainability, Agritourism, Voluntourism and Mālama Activities

Keālia Pond National Wildlife Refuge Mālama Opportunity The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service mission is to work with others to conserve, protect, and enhance fish, wildlife, plants, and their habitats for the continuing benefit of the American people. We invite you to join us in conserving wildlife and wild places for today and generations to come by volunteering at a Keālia Pond National Wildlife Refuge. Volunteering at a National Wildlife Refuge is a great way to give back to your community, develop new skills, and meet new people.

If you are passionate about native Hawaiian species and helping people appreciate the outdoors, Keālia Pond National Wildlife Refuge is looking for interested individuals to join our volunteer team. We offer hands-on learning opportunities, meaningful outdoor experiences, and a unique wetland environment teeming with birds, insects, and plants. To volunteer and learn how to get involved, please visit: https://www.fws.gov/refuge/kealia-pond/get-involved.

Mālama Maui Nui's Get the Drift and Bag It Volunteer Opportunity

The weekend prior to the fires, Pūlehu Posse and Mālama Maui Nui (MNN) conducted the monthly roadside cleanup of Pūlehu Road. The Pūlehu posse began as a small group of upcountry residents who, in 2020, took it upon themselves to meet up in Kula at the top of Holopuni Road every month and make their way down to Pūlehu Road toward Kahului for the cleanup. MMN joined in to provide a comprehensive disposal station for these materials allowing the posse to conduct more trips and clear more rubbish every month keeping our roadways and community safe. Join Pūlehu Posse and MMN every first Saturday on Pūlehu Road! For more information and to sign up, please visit https://www.malamamauinui.org/.





Mālama Hawai'i partner, Ka'ehu promotes the conservation, restoration, and sustainable management of the land area and natural resources at Ka'ehu Bay. The organization utilizes the land and natural resources, in conjunction with other agencies and cultural organizations to promote, preserve and perpetuate traditional Hawaiian cultural activities. E Mālama Ka'ehu has two Ka'ehu work days each month, the 2nd Wednesday for land restoration and the 4th Sunday is for beach clean-up. For land restoration, volunteers assist in maintaining the taro patches, which includes planting, weeding, harvesting and removing invasives. On the 4th Sunday is a beach clean-up with our partner organization Sharkastics, to help to remove assorted plastics, styrofoam, fishing nets, ropes, and other trash that are reaching the shores of Ka'ehu. For more information and volunteer sign-up please visit: https://www.kaehu.org/volunteer.

At **Four Seasons Resort Lanai**, Executive Pasty Chef Bruce Trouyet elevates his desserts with locally grown, resort-processed cacao beans. The journey begins on the island of Hawaii, where the cacao beans are grown, at Hard Rock Gardens. After roasting and conching on site, the final product is 72% cacao, made with passion, attention and love. Guests can indulge in **Bean to Dessert**, a delicious tartlet incorporating the chocolate along with macadamia praline, whipped ganache and crème brulée, or enjoy a scoop or two of house made chocolate gelato. For more information, visit www.fourseasons.com/lanai.





Festivals & Events

September - November 4, 2023

Mālama Wao Akua

Presented in collaboration with East Maui Watershed Partnership (free to the public)

Hui No'eau Visual Arts Center in collaboration with East Maui Watershed Partnership (EMWP) brings the community Mālama Wao Akua (Caring for the Realm of the Gods) – an art exhibition celebrating the native species of Maui Nui (Maui, Lana'i, Moloka'i, Kaho'olawe). Maui artists of all ages explore our watersheds and use their creative talents to raise awareness about the importance of protecting native species. Artists present their most innovative expressions in painting, drawing, photography, cultural art forms (ie. kapa, featherwork), mixed media, wood working, ceramics, and more.



October - November, 2023

Festivals of Aloha 2023 Schedule of Events

Festivals of Aloha unveils a splendid two-month calendar of enchanting events spanning the picturesque landscapes of Maui, Lānaʻi, Molokaʻi, Wailea, and Hāna. Our festival finds its essence in the enduring traditions of our charming small towns and revered kupuna (elders), extending a warm invitation to all to partake in the joy of learning through our theme: "Kāhuli leo leʻa–Hoʻōla o ka wao. Sweet-voiced kāhuli–Savior of the forest" honoring the kāhuli snail. We extend our heartfelt Mahalo for your unwavering support and consideration. Together, we shall embrace the rich tapestry of our heritage and create lasting memories in the spirit of Aloha. For the most current and up-to-date information, we invite you to explore our website at FestivalsOfAloha.com.



Festivals of Aloha 2023 Schedule of Events

Friday, October 13, 2023

 Aloha Friday at Queen Ka'ahumanu Shopping Center from 5pm-8pm. Enjoy an evening of Hawaiian cultural exhibits, hands-on activities, Hawaiian music and hula!



Hāna

Saturday, October 21, 2023 - Hana Ballpark

- Hāna Parade 11am Parade with the Hāna Royal Court, floats, Grand Marshall, Marching Band, Zenshin Daiko (Taiko), followed by a magic show.
- Ho'olaule'a 10am 3pm 'Ono local eats and hand- made-in-Hawai'i artists and vendors.
- Sports Night at the Park: 5pm 9pm Tennis, volleyball, corn hole, and other games.

Sunday, October 22, 2023

- Keiki/Wahine Shoreline Fishing Tournament: 7am to 12pm.
- 'Ohana Beach Day: 12pm 5pm at H\u00e4na Bay.

Monday, October 23, 2023

Sports Night: 5pm - 9pm. Hāna Ballpark.

Tuesday, October 24, 2023

- Traditional Lei Making Class: 3pm 5pm at H\u00e4na-Maui Resort. Reserve your seat by calling Kane Kanakaole at (808) 264-1094
- Karaoke Night at Hāna Bay: 5pm 9pm. Sign Up by calling or texting Poerava at (808) 670-1200.

Wednesday, October 25, 2023

- Floral & Lei Contest: 10am 11pm at Hāna-Maui Resort.
- · Kupuna Luncheon: 11am 2pm at Hāna-Maui Resort.
- Ulana Niu: Coconut Weaving Workshop 2:30pm 4:30pm at Hāna Farms.
- Teen Night: 6pm 9pm at H\u00e4na Bay An Evening of DJ Music, Fun Interactive Games, Aloha Attire Contest and more.

Thursday, October 26, 2023 - Hāna Bay

 Hāna Arts' Annual Talent Show: Registration - 4 pm, Program - 5pm Six Categories with more than \$2,000 in Prize Money. Call Hāna Arts for Details – (808) 248-5769.

Friday, October 27, 2023

Pō Hawai'i: Hawaiiana Night

- Ulu, Pohole & Poke Contest: 3pm 6pm at the Hana Farmers Market
- Aloha Attire Contest: 6pm 10pm at Hāna Bay.

Saturday, October 28, 2023

- Cross Country Golf: 2pm 4pm at Holani Hāna.
- · Ho'ike Night: 5pm 10pm at Hana Bay.

Wailea

Friday, October 27, 2023

 Ke Kani Hone O Wailea: 5:30pm. A concert series at the Shops at Wailea featuring John Cruz. shopsatwailea.com.

Saturday, October 28 2023

· Hula is the Heartbeat: 6pm. Hula concert at Four Seasons Maui.

Sunday, October 29, 2023

• Sounds of the Sea: 5pm. Free sunset concert at the Four Seasons Maui.

Saturday, November 11, 2023

 Richard Hoʻopiʻi Leo Kiʻekiʻe Falsetto Contest: The Ritz-Carlton Maui, Kapalua.

Festivals of Aloha 2023 Schedule of Events

Lāna'i

Saturday, November 4,2023

 Parade and Ho'olaule'a: Dole Park - Enjoy hands-on activities, local eats, crafters and live entertainment.

Moloka'i

Tuesday, November 14, 2023

• "Mahalo Moloka'i": Hiro's 'Ohana Grill at Hotel Moloka'i. A Hawaiian music concert. More info to come*.

October 13-15, 2023

Gathering of the Voyagers — Hosted by Fairmont Kea Lani in partnership with the Hawaiian Outrigger Canoe Voyaging Society, this three-day celebration of Polynesian and Hawaiian culture brings together revered voyagers, navigators, canoe carvers and practitioners from across the globe for traditional ceremonies, demonstrations, a *mākeke* (market), live entertainment and a collective voyage around offshore islet Molokini. The event happens at Fairmont Kea Lani resort and is free and open to the public. For more information, visit www.gatheringoftheVoyagers.com/.



November 3-4, 2023

Made in Maui County Festival Presented by Hawaiian Airlines

The 10th Annual Hawaiian Airlines Made in Maui County Festival is a celebration of locally made products representing the diversity, talent, and creativity that thrive within Maui County. Taking place on November 3 and 4, 2023 at the Maui Arts & Cultural Center, this year's festival promises to be a truly unforgettable experience, showcasing the finest products from Maui County, delicious food trucks, thrilling entertainment, and more. For more information on attending the festival, please visit www.MadelnMauiCountyFestival.com.



November 11, 2023

Stanton Kessler - Award-winning Trumpeter ProArts Playhouse and Jazz Maui

ProArts Playhouse and Jazz Maui present Stanton Kessler, Award-winning trumpeter in "A Taste of Kansas City!" on Saturday, November 11 at the ProArts Playhouse in Kīhei. Featuring Marcus Johnson on bass, Paul Marchetti on drums, and Jeff Hellmer on piano. The event starts at 7:30pm. Tickets range from \$20 to \$35. Please call 808-463-6550 or visit https://proartsmaui.org/ for inormation.





Maui

Maui offers the best of both worlds, a unique blend of resort sophistication and small town charm. Graced by beaches, sunsets and tropical getaways, romance is always in the air on The Valley Isle.

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Moloka'i

Moloka'i is a timeless Hawaiian Island unlike any other. Life is simpler here. This is a place where Hawaiian culture and community continue to thrive.

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Lāna'i

The unique accommodations of Hulopo'e Bay and Lāna'i City are just the start. The unexpected discoveries, found while exploring the uncharted roads, feel even more personal on this secluded isle.

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