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SPRING WHAT'S NEW IN THE HAWAIIAN ISLANDS

HAWAII — Spring in the Hawaiian Islands brings new adventures, lush landscapes, and unique experiences across every island. From breathtaking scenery and thriving communities to one-of-a-kind cultural activities and events, each day offers visitors a chance to discover, connect, and celebrate the spirit of Hawai'i.

NEW HOTEL DEVELOPMENTS

Halekulani (O'ahu) will welcome its first Visiting Master of 2026, martial arts master and artist Ray Carbullido, from 15 March through 2 May. Carbullido will lead "Explorations of Self," a multisensory program blending movement, meditation and internal martial arts traditions, and exhibit "Portal," an interactive art installation in the Halekulani Gallery. The "Portal" installation invites guests into a contemplative space aimed at bridging art, wellness, and spiritual inquiry. Presented as part of the hotel's Art of Wellbeing initiative, Carbullido's residency will also include public talks, workshops, and private dojo sessions. [Halekulani.com](https://www.halekulani.com)

Hilton Garden Inn Kaua'i Wailua Bay recently introduced its oceanfront Wailua Nui Lū'au, which includes a traditional *imu* (underground oven) ceremony, interactive *hana no'eau* (skilled arts) and all-you-can-eat island-favorite cuisine. The *lū'au* is open Sundays, Tuesdays, and Fridays, with standard and preferred packages available. [WailuaNuiLuau.com](https://www.wailuanuiluau.com)

Hilton Waikiki Beach Resort and Spa (O'ahu) has opened Casamigos House of Friends, a new 37th floor lounge open to hotel guests and the public. With skyline views of Waikīkī, the lounge offers sunset and ocean views and a relaxed environment for conversation and cocktails. Casamigos House of Friends is open daily from 4 to 9 p.m. [Hilton.com](https://www.hilton.com)

Kaimana Beach Hotel (O'ahu) has debuted Kaimana by Morning, a new experience offering guests an early start to the day with sunrise views over Lē'ahi (Diamond Head). Guests can reserve an oceanfront table for two under the hotel's iconic hau tree or pick up fresh bakery items from the Sunset Provisions café to enjoy on the beach. The soundtrack for either choice is a curated playlist created by Grammy Award-winning Hawai'i musician Kalani Pe'a. [Kaimana.com](https://www.kaimana.com)

Kona Village, A Rosewood Resort (Island of Hawai'i) has partnered with BARK Air to debut a Hawai'i retreat designed for guests traveling with their dogs. The package includes private charter flights from Los Angeles with concierge support for veterinary coordination and Hawai'i pet-entry requirements, along with four nights in one of the resort's oceanfront *hale* (houses). Programming includes a dog-friendly welcome *lū'au*, sensory walks, and sunset yoga. Additional amenities feature a *lei* greeting upon arrival, tailored canine meals, bone broth service, and access to an on-site dog concierge. The resort's Island Roots dinner experience highlights cocktails and "barktails." [RosewoodHotels.com](https://www.rosewoodhotels.com)

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Marriott Waikiki Collection (O‘ahu) recently introduced the Mai Tai Express, a self-guided walkable cocktail crawl connecting four longtime Waikīkī hotel bars, with each offering its own house take on the classic tropical cocktail. Participants can check out the Moana Surf rider, A Westin Resort and Spa’s Beach Bar, Sheraton Princess Kaiulani Waikiki Beach’s Splash Bar, RumFire Waikiki Beach at Sheraton Waikiki Beach Resort, and The Royal Hawaiian Resort Waikiki’s Mai Tai Bar. A punch card allows participants to track the bars they have visited and the mai tais they have sipped. [Marriott.com](https://www.marriott.com)

Moana Surf rider, A Westin Resort and Spa (O‘ahu) celebrated its 125th anniversary on 11 March, marking the completion of enhancements to its Tower Wing, historic lobby, Vintage 1901 wine bar, and reimagined Banyan Wing. The updated design draws inspiration from the historic restorative elements of Ulukou, the area where the Moana now stands, and incorporates motifs reflecting the ocean’s movement and the property’s iconic banyan tree. As part of the anniversary celebration, the Moana Surf rider also debuted the recurring live music series “Moana Calls,” honoring the courtyard’s legacy as the former home of the “Hawaii Calls” radio broadcast from 1935 to 1975. [Marriott.com](https://www.marriott.com)

Pu‘unoa Beach Estates (Maui Nui), located along the shores of Lahaina, is officially reopening in March 2026, marking a significant milestone of renewal and resilience for the community. To celebrate this occasion, a Grand Reopening Celebration will be held on 24 March from 6:00–8:00 PM. The event will feature a traditional blessing of the land and a conch shell ceremony led by cultural practitioner Wilmont K. Kahaialii, followed by live music from Kahaialii and Dayan Kai. Attendees will also have the opportunity to learn about and support local organizations dedicated to Maui’s recovery, such as Aloha Amplified, Nā ‘Aikane o Maui, and Treecoverly Hawaii. [CoralTreeHospitality.com](https://www.coralreefhospitality.com)

Royal Lahaina Resort and Bungalows (Maui Nui) has introduced several new experiences and property updates for 2026. In January, it launched “Kuraya,” an oceanfront magic show series led by Maui-born magician David Kuraya. The resort also completed restoration work on its Beach House Bungalows, featuring new furnishings and finishings throughout. In addition, it unveiled its new The Spa at Royal Lahaina oceanfront wellness space featuring island-inspired treatments. In the spring, Royal Lahaina will open No Ka ‘Oi Aesthetics, a medical spa offering body treatments, medical-grade skincare and IV therapy. [RoyalLahaina.com](https://www.royallahaina.com)

The Royal Sonesta Kaua‘i Resort presents its oceanfront *lū‘au* every Thursday on Kalapaki Beach, with views of Kalapaki Bay. The *lū‘au* spotlights storytelling, live music and *hula*, paired with an island-inspired dinner. [KauaiResort.Sonesta.com](https://www.kauairesort.sonesta.com)

The Ritz-Carlton Maui, Kapalua offers guests opportunities to engage with the island’s creative community through its Artist in Residence program. The program features live art demonstrations, storytelling sessions, and opportunities to meet participating artists. The resort also recently launched a weekly Maui Jazz and Blues Night at its Alaloa Lounge, featuring live music from island musicians presented in an ocean-inspired lounge setting. The series reflects the resort’s commitment to the arts, culture, and community engagement. [RitzCarlton.com/Maui](https://www.ritzcarlton.com/maui)

Waikoloa Beach Marriott Resort and Spa (Island of Hawai‘i) recently completed a full renovation of its 297 guestrooms, spotlighting a refreshed design inspired by Hawai‘i Island’s landscapes and cultural heritage. The updated rooms feature coastal hues, organic textures, warm wood tones, and island-inspired art reflecting the ocean and land. Situated oceanfront along ‘Anaeho‘olmalu Bay, the resort is also conveniently located near shopping, dining and cultural experiences at the Kings’ Shops. [Marriott.com](https://www.marriott.com)

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Wailea Beach Resort (Maui Nui) has unveiled a full property-wide transformation, highlighted by the debut of its all-new Oceanfront Villas and a Private Chef Villa Dining Experience exclusively for villa guests. The custom five-course menu features personalized service with dining available on a private oceanfront *lānai* or in the villa. Additionally, the resort introduced an adults-only wellness pool, Olakino, offering daily wellness programming, an infinity-edge saline pool, in-water chaises, mini spa treatments, and a daily sabering ritual. Other new enhancements include a Constellation Concierge for guided stargazing, a Social Butler for wedding content capture, and curated celebration and wellness packages. [Marriott.com](https://www.marriott.com)

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