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'Imiloa's Wayfinding and Navigation Festival Honors Eddie Aikau
Fourth Annual Hilo Wayfinding and Navigation Festival

Hilo, Hawai'i – Experience the “Spirit of the Wayfinder” at 'Imiloa Astronomy Center's 4th Annual Hilo Wayfinding & Navigation Festival that celebrates cultural practitioners as wayfinders, stewards of heritage and tradition, and navigators of their community. Held on October 8 and 9, the 2-day event will celebrate the arts, games, and honor a Hawaiian icon.

The festival starts Saturday, October 8 with “*Nā Lae'ula*”, *Stewards of Culture*, which celebrates Native Hawaiian Arts and its ability to inspire, transform, and perpetuate a culture. This day will also feature traditional Makahiki games including the Hawai'i Island debut and CD premiere of the Hawaiian music band, *Hi'ikua*.

Saturday afternoon and evening, help celebrate the *International Observe the Moon Night* with, “*Hānai A Ka Malama*”, *Cared For By the Moon*. Telescopes will be set-up around the 'Imiloa campus providing an opportunity to view the Moon. Presentations on the function of the moon within a traditional Hawaiian lifestyle will join with talks that demonstrate the continued importance of moon exploration and the challenge of long-term expeditions on its surface. The evening's events will close with a traditional Pacific storytelling session under the light of the moon.

On October 9th, “*He Kupu'eu*”, *A Hawaiian Hero*, we honor the remarkable spirit, life, and legacy of Eddie Aikau. His story will be shared through a video documentary and stories from those who knew him.

Both days will feature daily hands-on activities that include wayfinding and navigation skills, a planetarium show, canoe and cultural arts exhibits, live demonstrations, documentaries, and speaker presentations. There will also be prize giveaways including a grand prize of a brand new stand up paddleboard.

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All festival activities are free to the public, however donations are welcome. The Exhibit Hall will be open free of charge on Saturday, October 8 only. All regular planetarium shows will continue to be charged at the regular admission price, however, our Saturday 10 am children's planetarium show will not be available due to festival activities.

Mahalo to the Hawai'i County Department of Research and Development and the Hawai'i Tourism Authority for support for the Hilo Wayfinding and Navigation Festival.

For more information visit www.imiloahawaii.org or call (808)-969-9703. Anyone who requires an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication or a modification of policies and procedures to participate in this event should contact Jeff Harman at jharman@imiloahawaii.org or 969-9705, as soon as possible, but no later than 10 days before the scheduled event.

For more information on the festival, please visit the website at www.imiloahawaii.org or call 808-969-9703.

Full Schedule of Events:

4th Annual Hilo Wayfinding & Navigation Festival

Saturday, October 8th, 2011 *Nā Lae'ula, Stewards of Culture*

- 10:00a.m.-10:15a.m. Ka Wehena in Ka Hale A'o Kilolani (Planetarium)
Opening Ceremony by Kaimana Barcarse
- 10:15a.m.-11:00a.m. "Nā Lae'ula, Stewards of Culture" in Ka Hale A'o Kilolani
A presentation about Artists as stewards of culture
Presenters: Kālepa Baybayan, Terri Napeahi
- 11:00a.m.-11:45a.m. "Nā Hana No'eau" in the Exhibit Hall
A guided tour through the Nā Lae'ula Art Exhibition
Presenter: Terri Napeahi
- 11:45a.m.-12:45p.m. "Keepers of the Flame" in the Moanahökū Hall

A documentary about three Hawaiian women: Mary Kawena Pukui, Edith Kanaka'ole, & 'Iolani Luahine and their quest to preserve their culture

- 1:00p.m.-3:00p.m. "Lono I Ka Makahiki" on the Poli'ahu Lawn
Makahiki games & competition
Presenters: Hale Pa'a Kaua
- 3:15p.m.-4:00p.m. "Aia I Hi'ialo" A Musical Tribute in the Moanahökü Hall
Hawai'i Island debut and CD premiere of contemporary Hawaiian music band Hi'ikua

Saturday Afternoon and Evening, October 8th, 2011

International Observe the Moon Night

Hānai A Ka Malama, Cared For By the Moon

- 4:30p.m.-9:00p.m. "Nānā I Ka Mahina" Telescope viewing of the Moon on the Poli'ahu Lawn presented by the University Astrophysics Club
"Science On A Sphere: 'O Ka Mahina" in the Moanahökü Hall
"Pōhaku Mahina" Lunar Rock Exhibit in the Atrium
- 5:30p.m.-6:15p.m. "Kaulana Mahina" in Ka Hale A'o Kilolani
A presentation on the Hawaiian Lunar Calendar
Presenter: Kalei Nu'uhiwa
- 6:15p.m.-7:00p.m. "Kau Ka Mahina" in Ka Hale A'o Kilolani
A presentation on current lunar research
Presenter: John Hamilton
- 7:15p.m.-8:30p.m. "Hānai A Ka Malama" on the Wa'a Kaulua
A storytelling session under the light of the Moon
Presenter: Emil Wolfgramm

Sunday, October 9th, 2011

He Kupu‘eu, A Hawaiian Hero: The Life & Legacy of Eddie Aikau

- 10:00a.m.-10:30a.m. “Ke Ala Hōkū” in Ka Hale A‘o Kilolani
A planetarium presentation on the Hawaiian Star Compass & Starlines
Presenters: Kālepa Baybayan, ‘Āhia Dye
- 10:45a.m.-11:45a.m. “Ka Lupe A Kawelo” in the Moanahōkū Hall
A presentation on Hawaiian Heroes done in the Hawaiian Language
Presenter: Kaimana Barcarse
- 12:00p.m.-1:00p.m. “Eddie Aikau, Hawaiian Hero” in the Moanahōkū Hall
A documentary about the life and legacy of a Hawaiian Hero, Eddie Aikau
- 1:00p.m.-3:30p.m. “Remembering Eddie” in the Moanahōkū Hall
A Panel & Musical Tribute to Eddie Aikau
Presenters: Solomon Aikau, Myra Aikau, Clyde Aikau, Dennis Chun, Keala Kai,
Kaimi Hermosura, Elisa Yadao Jones
- 3:30p.m.-4:00p.m. Grand Prize Giveaway
“Ke Pani” in the Moanahōkū Hall
Closing Ceremony by Kālepa Baybayan and Kaimana Barcarse

‘Imiloa Astronomy Center of Hawai‘i is a world-class informal science education center located on the University of Hawai‘i at Hilo campus. ‘Imiloa is a place of life-long learning where the power of Hawai‘i’s cultural traditions, its legacy of exploration and the wonders of astronomy come together to provide inspiration and hope for generations. The Center’s interactive exhibits, 3D full dome planetarium, native landscape, and programs and events

engage children, families and the local community in the wonders of science and technology found in Hawai'i. It is open to the public from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday (closed Mondays). For more information, visit the website at www.imiloahawaii.org or call (808) 969-9703.



Figure 1 Poster Art by Jared Hao

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