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Science Adventures on Tap for Isle Students During Spring Break at 'Imiloa

Hilo, Hawai'i—Students in grades K to 8 are invited to spend their March spring break exploring the amazing world of science at 'Imiloa Astronomy Center, a part of the University of Hawai'i at Hilo. The Center is offering a full week of science exploration including new electronic games, crime scene investigation, crazy chemistry experiments, fun Makahiki games, and a special performance by a Capoeira group.

The program runs from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, Monday, March 14 to Friday, March 18. Tuition for program is \$150 for members and \$175 for non-members. Lunch is not included, so pack a lunch and lots of snacks so that you will have enough energy to keep up!

Enrollment for the intercession program is open at this time but space is limited. Reservations and advance payment are required. Register and prepay at the 'Imiloa front desk or by phone at (808) 969-9703, VISA and MasterCard accepted.

To give to a scholarship fund or sponsor a child to attend 'Imiloa's educational programs (*Science Rocks! After School programs, 'Ohana Discovery Days, Camp 'Imiloa*), or to sponsor a school field trip to 'Imiloa, please contact the Development Office at 808-969-9732 or nverissimo@imiloahawaii.org

‘Imiloa Astronomy Center of Hawai‘i weaves today’s newest astronomy findings and Hawai‘i’s cultural heritage into a compelling story of star exploration. The Center features more than 100 exhibits including an interactive meteor display, a replica of the sacred Maunakea mountain with the night sky overhead within its 12,000-square-foot exhibit hall. The planetarium is the World’s first 3D stereoscopic system, adding a rich dimension to the planetarium experience. It is one of the first discovery centers in Hawai‘i to incorporate both Hawaiian and English languages to enhance the cultural and learning experience. Located on nine acres of lush ethno-botanical gardens in Hilo on Hawai‘i’s Big Island, the Center’s 40,000-square-foot facility opened to the public in February 2006. Visitors can enjoy the planetarium, exhibit halls, learning center, restaurant and museum store. It is open to the public from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesdays through Sundays (closed Mondays). For more information, visit the Web site at www.imiloahawaii.org or call (808) 969-9703.



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