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AWARD-WINNING PERFORMERS FROM HAWAII AND THE PACIFIC

PACIFIC ROOTS



KAUMAKAIWA KANAKA'OLE

"The voice of Hawaii's new generation"
2015 Native Arts & Cultures Fndtn Award

"traditionalist tour de force." –The New York Times

WITH KEKUIH KANAKA'OLE

Powerful voices, deep Hawaiian cultural roots by mother and daughter, with *Shawn Pimental, guitar*



AOTEAROA'S FINEST:

MAISEY RIKA, HOROMONA HORO, SETH HAAPU, TROY KINGI

Winner multiple Maori Music Awards!

"distinctive New Zealand voice... masters of this new generation."

Leading indigenous singer/songwriters fuse cultural roots & instruments with memorable songs, lyrics



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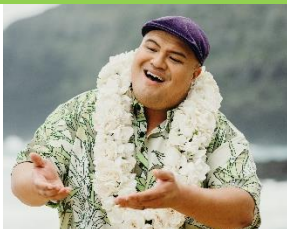
"A stereotype-smashing glimpse into the soul of the South seas" --Wired

"...one of the greatest South Pacific bands of all time" -Fiji Times

Multi-award winning Pacific fusion group, 2-time "Best Pacific Group"

Soundtrack for Disney's animated feature MOANA

ISLAND CONTEMPORARY



KALANI PE'A

2 Grammys (Regional Roots) – 2017, 2019

"...a gorgeous voice and a flair for composing... major, innovative figure in contemporary Hawaiian music."—Maui News

Perpetuating Hawaiian culture and have you rockin' in your seat!



HENRY KAPONO & HIS DUKES ON SUNDAY BAND

"Kapono is one of the great island songwriters of his generation." -Honolulu

14 Na Hoku Awards! Hawaiian music legend & **Grammy Nominee**

celebrates his signature laid-back island rock that propelled him to fame with as Cecilio & Kapono (C&K)

GUITAR & 'UKULELE MASTERS



GEORGE KAHUMOKU JR. & MASTERS OF HAWAIIAN MUSIC

4 Grammy's!

"Virtuosic keepers of a cultural flame" – NY Times

"mixing dialogue with passionate renderings of material" —LA Times

Three Masters, featured regularly at Maui's renowned "Slack Key Show®"

MASTERS OF HAWAIIAN MUSIC TOURS 2020-21 WITH SOME OF THE BEST IN THE ISLANDS



JEFF PETERSON

4-time Best Slack Key Award! Native Arts & Cultures Fndtn Award

"...his style exquisite...Brilliant" -- Honolulu Advertiser

"An exceptionally talented guitarist, in a variety of styles from jazz and classical to slack key" --Maui News



KEOLA BEAMER

Hawaiian Music Hall of Fame, Native Arts & Cultures Fndtn Award

"There's no better slack key player than Beamer" – Willie Nelson

"Quintessential...Slack-Key Guitar Master" –NY Times

Performs with elegance, virtuosity, and wit.

With hula master "kumu hula" Moanalani Beamer



LED KAAPANA

NEA National Heritage Fellow & multiple Na Hoku Awards

"master slack key guitarist." -NY Times

"... a flat out genius at just about any stringed instrument that can be finger-picked." --Honolulu Advertiser



MAKANA

Slack Key Legacy Award, 3 Na Hoku Awards

"a dynamic force...dazzling." NY Times, *"evocative, timeless..."* – NPR Music

"jewel box precision... sizzling showmanship." -Honolulu Advertiser

New show shares stories, culture, and songs direct from the legendary Masters who mentored him.



NATHAN AWEAU

Multiple Na Hoku Awards

"on electric bass and acoustic guitar, shows an... advanced understanding of harmony and orchestration ...his singing style is effortless" –NY Times

A talented multi-instrumentalist with a gorgeous voice (7 years as the voice of Hapa)

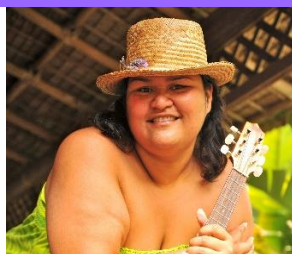
ISLAND HARMONIES



KULAIWI

Over 40 Na Hoku Awards among them.

Lehua Kalima, Shawn Pimental, & Kawiki Kahiapo - Hawaiian musicians, singers, songwriters - have joined forces: original songs with deep Hawaiian roots, soaring vocals & harmonies, inspired by *kulaiwi* - "land of my ancestors". With hula dancer **Pono Fernandez**.



PAULA FUGA

Na Hoku -Most Promising Artist Award!

"...an uncommonly gorgeous voice and holds notes that wrap around a listener like a mother's embrace." -- *Variety*

Hawaiian soul, reggae & jazz-infused songs, with 'ukulele (a Jack Johnson favorite)



RAIATEA HELM

2x Grammy nominee, 9 Na Hoku Awards, Native Arts & Cultures Fndtn

"[She] sings in the high-voiced throwback *leo ki'eki'e* [Hawaiian falsetto] style ... poised and utterly elegant." --New York Times

Hawaiian vocal phenom, with remarkable pure voice in Hawaiian falsetto and cabaret style; with 3-pc band



OWANA SALAZAR

2 Na Hoku Awards

"an acknowledged Hawaiian favorite...a delightful, lilting journey"

Of Hawaiian royal lineage. Gorgeous vocals, the only known female steel player in Hawai'i, among the few *wahine* (female) slack key players.



WAIPUNA

8 Na Hoku Awards!

"... the art of Hawaiian poetry in song."

Kale Hannahs, Matthew Sproat, and David Kamakahi, from illustrious Hawaiian music families --stunning harmonies, dazzling 'ukulele, vibrant performance

TAIKO MASTER



KENNY ENDO TAIKO

"an incredibly dynamic style of performing...literally breathtaking." -- *Grateful Web*

"...the concert was absolutely amazing." -- Lafayette College

KENNY ENDO CONTEMPORARY ENSEMBLE - trailblazing innovator in Japanese taiko, adventurous, nuanced, brilliant!

DANCE & HULA



HĀLAU O KEKUIHI

NEA National Heritage Fellows & Hawaiian Living Treasures

Vigorous, bombastic style of hula that springs from the eruptive volcano personae Pele and Hi'iaka, Hawai'i Island's creative forces

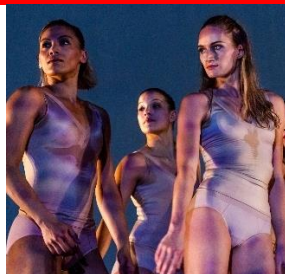
Nalani Kanaka'ole, & Huihui Kanahale Mossman, kumu hula (Artistic Dir)



HĀLAU HULA KA NO'EAU, Michael Pili Pang, kumu hula (Artistic Dir)

"...the dancers give us a sense of journeying, of different landscapes and change of mood...the women get juicier as they move..." -Village Voice.

Authentic hula, ancient traditions to modern times, monarchy lineage
20th Anniversary – 2021-22 season!



OKAREKA DANCE, IN MANA WAHINE (POWERFUL WOMEN)

"a rich fusion of choreography, music, tikanga Maori ["the Maori way"] enriched and enlivened by the dancing of five powerhouse performers...exploration of the strength, the spirit, and primal beauty of woman" --NZ Herald



SPOKEN WORD



KEALOHA

Hawai'i's First Poet Laureate, "Legend of Slam Poetry"
Native Arts & Cultural Foundation Award

"thoughtful and provocative...mixing the funny with the serious..."

"one-man poetry movement... mindfulness, positivity, openness of spirit."

- ◆ Solo
- ◆ **The Story of Everything** – from Big Bang to human evolution to living sustainably. Full-evening show of epic poetry, music & dance



KATHY YOGI COLLINS

"The crowd erupted, the roof lifted, they were hers." - Talk Story Festival;
"sidesplittingly funny...soulful, tender" -Maui News

Hawaiian Tales & Comic Monologues, with roots in Hawaiian "pidgin".
Great for Storytelling Series & festivals, children's programming, education projects and more

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