Symphony of The Hawaiian Birds

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The University of Hawai`i at Mānoa and the Kaua`i CC Orchestra joined together for a moving visual concert, which benefitted the Kauai Forest Bird Recovery Project while partnering with artists from our local schools. You had to be there to truly share in the experience of meaning and urgency to save Hawaiian native birds, especially here on our island of Kaua`i.

Here is a brief video by Kalaheo Middle School student videographer Simon Oyama, “Symphony of Hawaiian Birds.” The public performance filled the theater with about 600 people in attendance, and over 1,000 students from
our Kauai public and charter schools during the student performances. The Garden Island Newspaper article wrote, “In connection to the “Symphony of the Hawaiian Birds”, a Kaua‘i-specific curriculum has been developed as a tool for teachers to further deepen the dialogue with the students about Kaua‘i-specific challenges in conservation.” Watch more of our PAC videos by clicking this link.

### Touring UH Theatres

**GO ON WO STAFF VISITOR GRANT**

January 2020 — Thanks to the GO On WO Staff Visitor Grant, we were privileged to attend the inaugural UH Theatre Manager’s Summit hosted by Palikū Theatre at Windward CC. Our colleagues from UH Maui, UH Mānoa, and Leeward CC were there to join the discussions as we each learned the history of our theaters. Then, we entertained ideas of what could lay ahead for our respective locations.

The result of the summit left us all engaged in sharing “work-hacks” and tips of the trade with each other.

We also toured the three UH Theatres in Oahu. Pictured above is a scene from the 1974 “The Relation of Man and Nature in Old Hawai`i” mural by Jean Charlot at Leeward Theatre. It greeted attendees from the lobby and covered a wall about 104 ft wide x 23 ft high.

Kennedy Theatre at UH Mānoa was magnificent with over 600 seats and a 120-seat “black box” theater. Palikū Theatre with its majestic rake auditorium, seating over 300 people in various levels of point-of-view. UH Maui have had years to develop their theatre program, so we learned from the best and seasoned Managers in the industry.

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She currently sits as a member of the PR & Membership, Logo Design, and Agriculture committees in the Kauai Chamber of Commerce, and as a member of the Board of Directors for the Kauai Filipino Chamber of Commerce. She is a member of the International Festivals & Events Association as well as a member of the Board of Directors for Ho‘ike Television and Kaua‘i RSVP on the island of Kaua‘i.
COVID-19 Updates

We released a PR on March 17, 2020 letting you know that the Performing Arts Center at Kaua`i CC will pause operations through May 13, 2020, during which Kaua`i CC will evaluate the need to extend the pause on May 11, 2020.

Our clients are collaborating with us to reschedule their events. For some, it was necessary to cancel the event such as the second day of the Super American Circus and the Comedian Principal Gerry Brooks. However, most of our clients are invested and already rescheduled their events to later this year or to next year, 2021.

We take the advice from CDC and from the University of Hawaii systems to “Keep calm and wash your hands.” Although our campus is closed to the public, with some faculty and staff working from home, our maintenance crew is tirelessly working to sanitize and follow CDC guidelines throughout facilities and areas on campus with high-touch points and foot-traffic during the campus closure.

The State of Hawaii and County of Kaua`i issued a stay-at-home order to non-essential workers effective immediately until April 30 for the protection of everyone.

The University of Hawaii system moved their courses online, and after Spring Break, most students returned to class using the enterprise account on zoom.com.

Although there were some security concerns with the video conferencing platform, UH News announced that from April 5, 2020 onward, every conference will require a password to be used by its participants (stated in an online update). With this, those who use the platform — students, faculty and staff are less vulnerable to cyber attacks.

Tune in to the University of Hawaii News and Kaua`i CC PAC Facebook page for the latest updates on the pandemic as it relates to Kaua`i CC and the Performing Arts Center.

“Keep calm and wash your hands!”

Helpful Resources

We know that times are changing and some of us are finding ourselves in a tough position. For our creative business community, we were on the look-out for resources that could help you through these exceptional times. Here is a list of
resources we found online that you may want to check out.

If it’s the right fit for you, we are glad that we could lead you to the resource. If you know someone who could benefit from knowing these resources, please pass this newsletter along!

1. **Creative Capital** provides a list of arts resources during the COVID-19 outbreak. Including #arts #events that moved online!

2. The **New York Foundation for The Arts** is a good start to look for emergency financial support for artists as they’ve sourced and vetted through several grants and put it all in a list for you. Some are place specific, and some are not. Some lead you straight to an answer, some lead you to more resources, but keep looking and it will be there. Some of these opportunities remain untapped, so there is a chance that you may qualify for some if not all emergency relief.

3. Small Businesses in Hawaii are now qualified to apply for the Small Business Administration's **Economic Injury Disaster Loan Assistance Program**. This Table of Size Standards can help you assess that size of your business and plan for your application appropriately.

4. The Hawaii Chamber of Commerce created this easy-to-navigate chart comparing the different SBA assistance loans available. Check out other resources from the Hawaii Chamber of Commerce at their online one-stop-center.

5. The **Urgent Student Relief Fund** from the University of Hawai`i aims to assist UH students with unexpected financial hardship due to the Coronavirus pandemic. Funds are limited, so students are urged to be patient and apply. Donations are still coming in, so they will consider the applications as the funds come in.

6. UH Foundation is accepting donations to the Urgent Student Relief Fund. Please consider donating to help students with unexpected financial hardship.

7. For updates on University of Hawaii News, visit our website online and see what others in our system are doing amidst this COVID-19 pandemic.

8. For Kaua`i Community College updates, visits our website for details.

9. For more national and international information, visit the International Festivals & Events Association #free online forums, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, United Nations, and WHO.

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**Look to The Future**

As we look towards the future together, we will fulfill three of our intentions against the odds:

1) Create a non-fiduciary Advisory Board to help us steer the direction of the Performing Arts Center.
2) Update and clarify our processes so that we may provide access to the Performing Arts Center to all potential users.

3) We are already well under way with our outward facing image to the community and to the world through our website, our Facebook, and our Instagram. Have you seen the new features on our website?

If you are a creative business and want access to use the facility, there are helpful tools on our website that you can use to plan your use of the Performing Arts Center such as:

- **Client Booking Calendar** is an online booking calendar that refreshes every hour, so you can see when the PAC is busy or not busy. You will only see the words “busy/not busy” and also the duration of when the PAC is busy and not busy. This should help you determine and pin-point some dates for your future event, since we advise you to start your process more than 30-days in advance.

- **Donations** to the Kaua`i CC Theater Funds are now welcomed and the link to the UH Foundation donation site is easily accessible on our home page via a purple and white button. The Kaua`i CC Theater Funds support the development of the theater in the Performing Arts Center, such as the purchase of new fixtures and equipment, updates of softwares and devices, much needed repairs or replacements of fixed assets in the interior and exterior areas. It can also be a potential source of Grants and Financial Support to local artists and events.

- **Online Events Calendar** is where you can visit online any hour every hour to check on events happening in the PAC. It updates every hour, so you won’t miss a show!

- **PAC Policies** lets you read our standards so that you can be aware of what to expect while collaborating with us. The thing to keep in mind is, although we appear to present the most perfect and magical show, when the curtains are peeled and you see the behind the scenes, we are running a very tight ship with limited resources. We need our clients to understand the lead-time it takes to coordinate events to the highest standards during the pre-production, production, and post-production processes. Knowing our policies ahead of time, and asking questions to clarify will help us help you.

- **Client Resources** is a collection of specifications that we managed to draft in easy-to-read, ADA friendly PDF files, so that without physically being in the space, we can help you decide to use our facilities. Questions beyond this list may be directed to our booking office.

- **PAC Newsletter/Media** engages you in various ways like our Facebook and Instagram pages, and an accounting of all of our quarterly newsletter so that if you missed one, you can access it online anytime.

We treasure your commitment and dedication to our beautiful space and hope to see you again very soon!