



2023 Lā Kū'oko'a at Kaua'i CC



What is Lā Kū'oko'a?

Lā Kū'oko'a, Hawaiian Independence Day, is celebrated annually on November 28. The efforts of Hawai'i delegates (Timoteo Ha'alilio, William Richards and Sir George Simpson) led to British and French governments entering into a formal agreement that recognized Hawai'i as an independent nation on November 28, 1843. After the illegal overthrow of the Hawaiian Kingdom in 1893, Lā Kū'oko'a celebrations were replaced by the American holiday, Thanksgiving. Over time, the knowledge of Lā Kū'oko'a was almost lost. However, Hawaiian scholars began to translate Hawaiian language newspapers and uncovered its history. Since then, there has been a renewed effort to revive the celebration of Lā Kū'oko'a. Kaua'i CC and Title III Grants recognize the Hawaiian Kingdom and its heroes who traveled across the sea to solidify Hawaiian Independence.

Guest Speaker: Kalehua Krug

Special mahalo to Kalehua Krug for kicking off our Lā Kū'oko'a celebrations on 11/2/2023. Over 60 Kaua'i CC faculty, staff, students and community members joined as Kalehua shared how rediscovering his indigenous heritage has helped him to develop philosophies based on cultural practices and observable data.



Campus Pa'ina

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28

LĀ KŪ'OKO'A
CAMPUS PA'INA

HAWAIIAN STUDIES
BUILDING FROM
12-2PM



Help us celebrate! Piko will begin at 12pm at the ahu followed by a live kapa making demonstration, food, kōnane with Uncle John and more! If you got a shirt printed, don't forget to pick it up!

Taropy Tuesday: Ku'i Kalo

Kaua'i CC held a special Taropy Tuesday on 11/14/2023 where over 40 participants were able to traditionally pound kalo at our campus lo'i.



Haumāna Highlight

Check out what some of the many student workers supported by Title III Grants are up to on campus!

Kaiwi Aki

Kikuchi Archive Student Assistant



Aloha, my name is Kaiwi and I'm a Natural Sciences/Biology major. My main kuleana is to digitize all the documents in the Kikuchi collection. I scan the documents, make sure the information on them is preserved and put the document online so they

can't be damaged. Looking at old pictures of Kaua'i before all of the development and hurricanes has been the coolest part of this job for me. Also, a lot of this stuff came from my kūpuna and has circled back to me. It's been cool looking at everything and revitalizing it.

Kamālamalama Ishii

Hawaiian Language Tutor



Aloha, my name is Kamālamalama and I'm the Hawaiian Language Tutor. I'm currently a 2nd year Hawaiian Studies major and plan to graduate Spring 2024. I mainly help with introductory Hawaiian Language (HAW 101) but if you're curious about how to say something or find out what a word means, please stop by! Some of the common things I see are little

mistakes when translating from English to Hawaiian. A small mistake can change a sentence from "I wanted to eat with my family" (Ua 'ai au me ko'u 'ohana) to "I ate my family" (Ua 'ai au i ko'u 'ohana). I've been really happy to see Hawaiians and non Hawaiians taking Hawaiian Language. I'm excited for what could happen with 'olelo Hawai'i!



Hawaiian Studies Kauhale



Tuesdays, 8am - 4pm
Thursdays, 8am - 2pm

Hawaiian Moon Calendar

HOKU Nowemapa (Nov) 27

Mahi'ai (farming)
Excellent day for planting all kinds of plants, but taro and bananas will be abundant with small fruit or corms. Seeds will be animated by the full moon.

Lawai'a (fishing)
Good fishing, especially at sea, not in shore. 'Upāpalu first to bite. Watch for high waves.

MĀHEALANI Nowemapa (Nov) 28

Mahi'ai (farming)
Plant bananas in the evening, will grow plentiful and large. Plant taro, gourds, yams, flowers. Everything is animated by the moon.

Lawai'a (fishing)
Excellent fishing is to be expected today. The tides are low in the late morning and late evening, which makes shoreline fishing easy. Look for moi, 'anae, and red fish.

LĀ'AUKŪKAHI Nowemapa (Nov) 29

Mahi'ai (farming)
Plant bananas but no sweet potatoes. Gather medicinal plants.

Lawai'a (fishing)
Fair fishing. Best at sea. Sea starting to become rough.

LĀ'AUKŪLUA Nowemapa (Nov) 30

Mahi'ai (farming)
Good for cultivating, but not planting. Gather lā'au for medicinal use.

Lawai'a (fishing)
Fishing is fair at sea with the ocean becoming rough.

LĀ'AUPAU Kēkēmapa (Dec) 01

Mahi'ai (farming)
Good day to plant anything but vine-type plants. Medicine was prepared and administered by the kahuna lā'au lapa'au.

Lawai'a (fishing)
Morning fishing fair at sea; seas are rough in the evening as the 'Ole winds have returned.



Hā-Breath Highlight: Sense of Total Well-being

Ua ola loko i ke aloha *
Love is imperative to one's mental and physical welfare

A sense of **Total Well-being** is demonstrated by making choices that improve the mind, body, heart and spirit. Being able to meet the demands of school and life while contributing to the wellbeing of family, 'āina, community and world.

*Source: Pukui, M. (1983). 'Olelo No'eau Hawaiian Proverbs and Poetical Sayings. Honolulu, Hawaii: Bishop Museum Press.

Supplemental Grant Awards

Two Title III Grants received supplement award money to expand onto their original goals.

Kahua Paepae Ola

Ho'ai Food and Goods Pantry Expansion

New technology, furniture, supplies, and office equipment will be purchased to expand the Ho'ai Food and Goods Pantry to the bookstore. This expansion will provide the campus with access to locally grown produce, hot meals, household items and more!



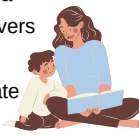
Taropy Tuesday

Taropy Tuesday aims to connect students, faculty and staff to our mahi'ai kalo (taro farming) on campus. Funding will be used to plant, farm, harvest and process kalo into poi that will feed student participants, pantry users and their families.



Develop an 'Ohana Study Space

An 'Ohana Study Space will provide a place for student parents and caregivers to study while their keiki will have access to developmentally appropriate and culturally important resources.



Pono Checks

Practitioners and area experts will present personal and professional development workshops to faculty and staff that are culturally grounded.



Keleka'a Ho'ona'auao

UH West O'ahu (UHWO) Counselor

A UHWO Counselor will be hired to conduct academic advising and support students interested in pursuing one of the post-associate degrees developed in this project and for other programs offered by UHWO.



Kaua'i CC Distance Education (DE) Technology Specialist

This position assists students with IT and DE technology needs. They will also provide DE students with training on various software and online education platforms.



Transfer Center

A Distance Education Transfer Center will be a pilot project at Kaua'i CC to serve Kaua'i residents seeking post-associate degree programs without relocating off-island.



Contact us for more information on Title III Grants!



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