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Keiki Hula Festival celebrates 12th year, brings culture, dance to Lahaina Cannery Mall
Plus 'Paddle Mania' art exhibition unites local artists and canoe paddles

Lahaina, Maui, Hawaii – The Lahaina Cannery Mall will host its 12th-annual Keiki Hula Festival Saturday, July 24 and Sunday, July 25. This free, two-day cultural event will feature more than eight halau (dance troupes) from across the island presenting richly choreographed kahiko (ancient hula) and auana (modern) hula that express the traditional values of Hawaii and the Pacific Islands.

The weekend celebration also features Hawaiian artisans and crafters demonstrating lei making, wood carving and other traditional skills.

Halau will take the stage every-other hour beginning at 11 a.m. with the last performance at 5 p.m. each day.

Saturday, July 24

11 a.m. Halau Hula Malani O Kapehe
1 p.m. Na Kamalii O Ke Akua
3 p.m. Te Tiare Patitifa
5 p.m. Mana Toa

Sunday, July 25

11 a.m. Na Pua Melia
1 p.m. Halau Hula O Keola Aliiokekai
3 p.m. Na Kamalii Nani O Lahaina
5 p.m. Te Tiare Patitifa

Also at Lahaina Cannery Mall, artistically painted and adorned canoe paddles will be on display as part of the Napili Canoe Club exhibition 'Paddle Mania.' Local artists have donated 37 paddles that will be auctioned off to raise funds toward the purchase of a canoe for club keiki and wahine. The 'Paddle Mania' exhibition runs through August 14.

Other events in July include:

July 3

- From Utah, "Solid Ground" southern gospel concert at 2:30 a.m.

July 9

- From Utah, “Miss Margene's Creative Generation Musical Theatre” free performance at 11:30 a.m.
- Free southern gospel concert from “Solid Ground” at 5:30 p.m.

Every Tuesday

- Free ‘ukulele lessons at 5:45 p.m.

Every Tuesday and Thursday

- Polynesian Performances Hula Show at 7 p.m.

Every Saturday

- Keiki Hula Show at 1 p.m.
- Maui Toy Works - Yu-Gi-Oh Card Session from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Every Sunday

- All-ages comedy and magic with Lauro Castillio at 11:30 a.m.
- Keiki Hula Show at 1 p.m.
- Maui Toy Works: Yo-Yo/skill toys workshop and demonstration 4 p.m. to 5 p.m.
- Line dancing by Maui Paniolo Posse at 4:30 p.m.

Lahaina Cannery Mall is Maui’s only fully enclosed, air-conditioned shopping complex. Open daily from 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. (7 p.m. Sundays), Lahaina Cannery Mall has more than 50 shops and restaurants and is located on the north end of Lahaina Town fronting Honoapiilani Highway and Front Street. Management and leasing handled by CB Richard Ellis.

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