

Kauai Japanese Cultural Society presents

30th



Matsuri Kauai

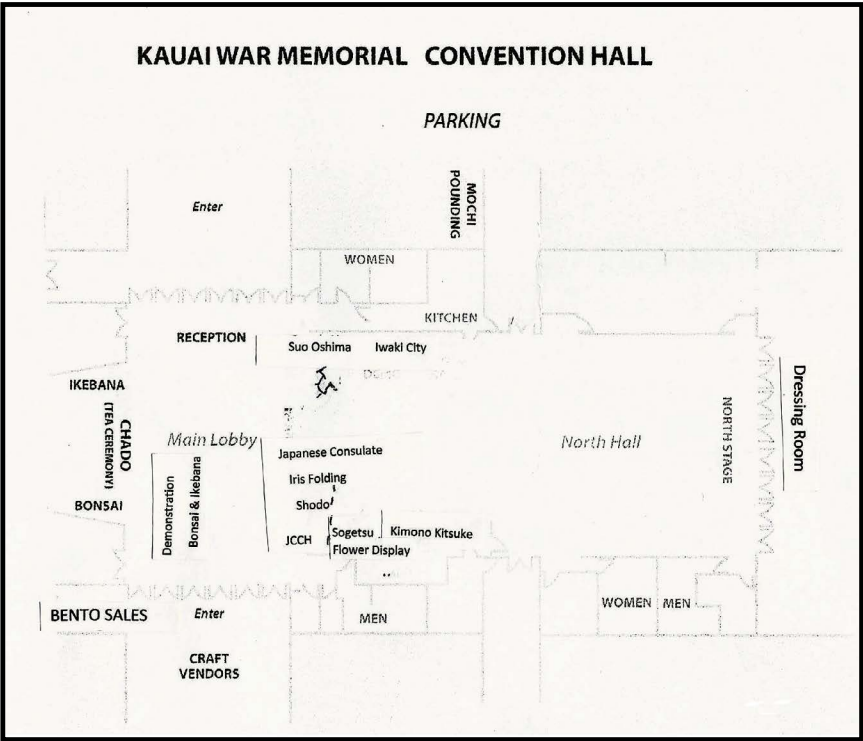
Saturday, Sept. 26, 2015

Kauai War Memorial Convention Hall



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Welcome



Welcome, youkoso, e komo mai all to our 2015 Matsuri,

This marks the 30th Matsuri and 31st year anniversary of Kauai Japanese Cultural Society, Inc. Sister city exchanges with Suo-Oshima (52 years) and Iwaki City (26 years) with Kauai County will be celebrated.

Friends and guests from Hawaii, Japan, the mainland and beyond will be treated to presentations of our culture and fellowship. Participation in all events is encouraged and welcomed.

It is our desire to promote , perpetuate and appreciate the Japanese culture.

Thank you all for joining us and participating in the experience of all things Japanese.

Aloha and Arigato,

Pearl Shimizu
President

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Festival Schedule

9:00 a.m.

Opening Ceremony – Rev. Tomo Hojo

Opening Messages:

President Pearl Shimizu, Kauai Japanese Cultural Society

Mayor Bernard Carvalho, County of Kauai

Consul General Yasushima Misawa

Vice Mayor Yoichi Katono, Iwaki City

Mr. Toshiyuki Nishikawa, Director of Education, Suo-Oshima

9:00 – 3:00

Crafts Sales – Various Vendors

9:15 – 2:30

Demonstrations, Exhibits, Hands-on Experiences

Ikebana Display & Demo – Kauai Kado & Sogetsu, Demo- Mrs. Michi Taura

Bonsai Display & Demo - Kauai Bonsai Club

Shodo (Calligraphy) – Rev. Nicole Sakurai and Mr. Kyle Chew

Iris Folding Cards - Mrs. Kay Hill

Hachimaki & “Sadako” crane storybook-making activity - Japanese Cultural Center of Hawaii, Mrs. Audrey Muromoto & Ms. Carole Hayashino along with High School Students

Origami - Kauai High School & Kapaa High School Japanese Clubs

Fish Pond - Kauai High School Japanese Club

Fukiya - Mr. Takashi Ichikawa, Suo-Oshima

Suo Oshima Display

Iwaki City Display

Japan pamphlets & toys display - Mrs. Yoshiko Matsuoka, Japanese Consulate

9:15 - 2:30

Kimono Kitsuke – Mrs. Mutsuko Narumi McConnell, Mrs. Aiko Nakaya, Mrs. Michiko Hirao, Mrs. Hiroko Abeshima, and Mrs. Sheree Tamura

10:30 & 11:30

Chado (Tea Ceremony) - Urasenke Tankokai Kauai Kyokai

11:30 – 1:00

Mochi Tsuki Demonstration – Traditional mochi pounding and making, Herbert Miyazaki Family assisted by Mr. Ray Nitta, Mr. David Nekomoto, Mr. Steven Nishimura and High School Students.

2:00 -3:00

Mini Ondo Dancing

Entertainment Schedule

9:15 Taiko Kauai

9:30 Hanapepe Senior Center – “Hawaii Ondo”

Pat Tanimoto, Doris Kashiwai, Lorraine Kawane, Alice Tsukiyama, Janet Takeya, JoAnn Robinson, Joann Kawane, Yuriko Ajimura

9:35 Kapaa Senior Center - Shima no Blues,

9:45 Karaoke – Vicky Arakaki

9:50 Hanayagi Mitsusumi Dance Studio (Pearl City, HI) -

Sheera Tamura (singing): “Okushiri wa Ima”

Tamura Yoshimi: “Shin Fujimusume” and “Kanto Harusame Gasa”

Sheree Tamura (singing): “Fuyumi No Soran Bushi”

10:10 Masako Kobe – “Gama No Aburaburi” (Toad Oil Sale)

10:20 Okinawan Karate (Calif.) Art Ishii, Walter Nishinaka

10:40 Miyataki Hoon Kai (Honolulu) - “Ohgi” (Fan), Derrick Iwata

10:45 Mika Shin Buyo Kai (Maui) - “Kimi to Itsuumademo,” Fujima Saeka

10:50 East Minyo Dance Club - “Shin Iyo Bushi”

Lorna Nishimitsu, Shuli Tsai, Ethel Ornellas, Mitsuko Valdez, Gloria Shimizu, Pearl Shimizu

10:55 Classical Japanese Dance Group - “Shima Uta”

Nancy Teramura Hayata

11:00 East Minyo Dance Club - “Soran Kamome”

11:05 Tsunami Daiko

11:35 Karaoke – Naoko Ho, “Kokoro No Hana”

11:40 Classical Japanese Dance Group - Nancy Teramura Hayata

“Ringo Oiwake” with vocal accompaniment by Japan’s Yoshika Kitanami
“Furin Kazan”

11:50 Shu Igari – Magic

12:05 Kauai High School Japanese Club

12:15 Presentation to High School and KCC Japanese Clubs by Pearl Shimizu

12:25 Lihue Kendo Club

12:45 Men of the Koi Dynasty

1:00 Ryukyu Koten Afuso-Ryu Ongaku Kenkyu Choichi

1:15 Kauai Shinbuyo Kai – “Jinsei Iro Iro”

Frecki Okada, Joann Kawane, Alice Tsukiyama, Merle Honjiyo, Susan Metivier, Michiko Hirao, Joyce Takayama

Kauai Shinbuyo Kai – “Bokyo Hore Hore Bushi”

Frecki Okada, Kay Matsuwaki, Joann Kawane, Lorraine Kawane, Alice Tsukiyama, Merle Honjiyo, Susan Metivier, Michiko Hirao, Joyce Takayama

1:25 Taiko – Joyful Noise, under the direction of Aki Conquest

2:00 – 3:00 Mini Ondo Dance – Audience invited to join in traditional summer time odori

Due to unforeseeable circumstances, programming and scheduling may change.



Board of Directors

At present our officers are:

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KJCS Member Groups

East Minyo Dance Club (Japanese Dance)
Jun Namiki Fan Club (Japanese Singing)
Kapaa Karaoke Aiko Kai (Japanese Singing)
Kauai Kado (Flower Arrangement Ikenobo School)
Kauai Shinbuyo Kai (Japanese Dance)
Kinsenryu Kauai Shibu (Japanese Dance)
Tsubaki Karaoke (Japanese Singing)
Urasenke Tanko Kai Kauai Kyokai (Chado - Tea Ceremony)
West Kauai Karaoke Club (Japanese Singing)

The Kauai Japanese Cultural Society invites groups and individuals to become members and join us in our preservation, perpetuation and education of Japanese culture and arts.





Visitors from Japan

Mr. Yoichi Katono, Vice Mayor of Iwaki City
Mr. Shigeru Nemoto, President of Iwaki City Assembly
Mr. Shinji Arakawa, Executive Officer of Iwaki City Assembly
Mr. Naoto Katono, President of Iwaki City Chamber of Commerce
Mr. Toshinori Ohb, Vice Chairman of Iwaki City Planning Bureau
Mr. Naomi Inoue, President of Spa Resort Hawaiians
Mrs. Yorie Inoue, wife of Mr. Inoue
Mr. Takashi Wakamatsu, General Manager of Spa Resort Hawaiians
Mr. Sakumaro Tairako, President of Iwaki Forestry Society
Mr. Tsuneo Suzuki, President of Iwaki Hawaii Exchange Association
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Mr. Kazuo Matsui, Director of Iwaki Hawaii Exchange Association
Mr. Tokugo Kaneko, Director of Iwaki Hawaii Exchange Association
Mr. Naoto Katono, Iwaki City Chamber of Commerce
Mr. Shu Igari, Iwaki City Government Coordination and Citizenry Affairs Division
Mr. Toshiyuki Nishikawa, Director of Education
Ms. Yasuo Matsumoto, Suo-Oshima
Mr. Masaaki Naramoto, Suo-Oshima
Ms. Masami Hirota, Suo-Oshima
Mr. Kenji Kobayashi, Suo-Oshima
Ms. Noriko Kobayashi, Suo-Oshima
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Ms. Masako Kobe, Suo-Oshima
Ms. Ristuko Nakano, Suo-Oshima
Mr. Takashi Ichikawa, Suo-Oshima
Ms. Keiko Kitani, Suo-Oshima
Mrs. Shizue Igawa, Suo-Oshima
Mr. Akio Igawa, Suo-Oshima
Ms. Yu Ogawa, Student, Suo-Oshima
Mr. Yuta Aoki, Student, Suo-Oshima
Ms. Natsumi Tomomori, Student, Suo-Oshima
Ms. Ayaka Maehara, Student, Suo-Oshima
Ms. Kumi Nomura, Student, Suo-Oshima
Mr. Ryugo Kagetani, Student, Suo-Oshima
Mr. Kaho Murakami, Student, Suo-Oshima
Ms. Yui Takabayashi, Student, Suo-Oshima
Mr. Takuro Takahashi, Student, Suo-Oshima
Mr. Tsubasa Nakamura, Faculty, Suo-Oshima



History

The inception of the Society was at the request of Mayor Tony Kunimura to commemorate the Kanyaku Imin (100 years since the Japanese immigration to Hawaii) celebration. Thereafter, several groups met.

In 1984, the Kauai Japanese Cultural Society, under the leadership of Reverend Koichi Miyoshi, was formed. The Society was then composed of karaoke, Japanese dance, flower arranging, tea ceremony and drumming groups.



The concept of presenting our culture to the community as well as to draw our “Sister Island” cities from Japan became the focal point of Matsuri. Sharing our culture and that of “modern day” Japan has been the highlight of our celebration.

Matsuri has been held every year since. However, due to the forces of nature, i.e. Hurricane Iniki and the Great Earthquake and Tsunami in Japan, Matsuri was not celebrated in those years.

In the past, a high school exchange program between students from both Japan and Kauai was encouraged. However, due to the overwhelming numbers coming from Japan, the program could not be sustained. At one time a Karaoke contest was also held.

Presently, a yearly Kodomo no Hi is held (formerly called Hinamatsuri) the closest to March 3rd. Both girls and boys are celebrated at this time at Kukui Grove Shopping Center.

Workshops for kimono dressing, happi coat, zabuton, and haori making have been conducted. Oshie, recycling and repurposing kimono, cooking and other craft classes have been held. Bon dance has been conducted at the high schools. We hope to continue the workshops and welcome additional suggestions.

Several member groups have been established for over 30 years. New Japanese cultural organizations are invited to join us. It is our hope that the KJCS will continue to perpetuate and share our culture with all of Hawaii, especially Kauai.



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Donald and Joann Kawane
for their generous
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Mahalo.



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