# Waikiki's Latest Outrigger Addition



Waikiki Beachcomber by Outrigger is set to undergo a revamp, following on from its soft opening this week, as it transitions from the Holiday Inn to an Outrigger property.

The USD25 million upgrade will see all-new Hawaiian-inspired guest rooms and meeting spaces, as well as enhancements to the lobby, corridors,



#### **Run Hawaii**

Hawaii offers three annual marathons, catering for clients who want to get some holiday fit-spiration. On 13 Oct is the Ironman World Championships which features rough water swimming, running and cycling, with the Sheraton Kona Resort being the recommended accommodation. Maui is home to the Maui Marathon and half-marathon on 14 Oct, with the Westin Maui acting as an official host for the annual event. Finally on Oahu is the Honolulu Marathon on 09 Dec, featuring 30,000 participants. Recommended accommodations include Sheraton Princess Kaiulani, Sheraton Waikiki, the Royal Hawaiian and Moana Surfrider.

elevator and hotel exterior. The renovation is slated for completion later on this year, and the schedule aims to minimise guest disruption.

The Kalakaua Ave resort features dining hot spots such as Maui Brewing Co and Hawaiian Aroma Café.

"Waikiki Beachcomber by Outrigger is an excellent value for guests looking to experience Outrigger's iconic Hawaiian hospitality and take advantage of the resort's modern accommodations and easy going beach vibe," says Alan Naito, gm of Waikiki Beachcomber by Outrigger.

## ... New offers

To celebrate the new addition, Outrigger is offering a 'Beachcomber Experience Package'. The deal features USD70 daily value including a USD50 daily credit for Maui Brewing co, free wifi for four devices, unlimited rides on the Outrigger Waikiki Connection Trolley, a Waikiki Beachcomber souvenir tote and an exclusive offer at Spa La Cure. See waikikibeachcomber.com

## **New Eateries**

Five new eateries are set to open at Lanai@ ala Moana Centre, including Agave & Vine, Da Spot, Ike's Love & Sandwiches, Musubi café Iyasume and Uncle Clay's House of Pure Aloha.

## Home-grown Hawaii

Clients seeking items from Hawaii are recommended to look out for souvenirs with "Made in Hawaii' labels say The Islands of Hawaii. Highlighted items for those who want to take home a piece of Hawaii include local-designer fashion, rare Niihau shell jewellery, craft beers and spirits, custom shaped surfboards and woodworks.



## **Free Ukelele Lessons**

The Sheraton Maui Resort has launched a new free 48-hour instrument rental as part of its Ukelele Lender Programme.

Visitors to the property can visit the resort's Shaka Shack to learn basic chords and songs from a Cultural Advisor.

Other free activities on offer include taro pounding, lei making, bamboo stamping and the nightly cliff dive ceremony. See Sheraton-maui.com

#### Wasabi Tour Award

Kala Holiday of Wasabi Tours Hawaii was recently named the 2017 Tour Guide of the Year at the Hawaii Ecotourism Association's annual awards luncheon advises the Islands of Hawaii.

Wasabi Tours is based in Kona and offers tours visiting popular attractions such as waterfalls, Kilauea volcano, a black sand beach, private farms and more. See wasabitourshawaii.com



### **HA's Wellness Videos**

Hawaiian Airlines is now featuring *Ola Pono*, a health and wellness video series, as part of its in-flight entertainment. Hosted by Wainani Arnold of Hawaii Island's Wainani Wellness Centre the videos feature iconic Hawaiian backdrops and focus on stretches that HA passengers can do before, during and after their flight. For a sneak peek at the first video **CLICK HERE** 



# Iron Chef In Waikiki

Japanese master chef Masaharu Morimoto is opening two restaurants in the new Alohilani Resort Waikiki Beach this year; the Morimoto Asia Waikiki and Momosan Waikiki.

The Morimoto Asia Waikiki's dinner-only menu will showcase Morimoto's unique take on Pan-Asian cuisines. Highlighted dishes include peking duck, sticky ribs, lo mein and Korean kalbi. The Momosan Waikiki offers casual breakfast, lunch and dinner dining, with dishes such as tonkatsu ramen, tetsunabe pork, garlic shrimp and 20 sake options. See alohilaniresort.com



