

Moana's Month Of Celebrations

The so-called first lady of Waikiki, the Moana Surfriider, is celebrating her 115th anniversary next month with events set to recreate the nostalgia of the hotel's opening.

For stays of four nights or longer, the hotel is offering the last night for USD115—plus clients will get a USD115 resort credit and a welcome basket. The deal is valid for stays to 25 Dec and commissionable for agents.

The iconic Westin resort will also stage two events; one under the stars, and the other, a concert, under the famed banyan tree to celebrate the hotel's anniversary—and clients in Waikiki will be able to join in the festivities on Fri 11 Mar.

... Love Of Libations

Staged on the hotel's Diamond Lawn, in conjunction with Ocean Vodka, the Moana will present a sneak peek at the hotel's future with a new series called 'LOL: Love Of Libations'. The event will include 'action stations and beverage pairings' by leading bars and restaurants such as the Beach



New GO Hawaii Deals

GO Holidays has released sharper pricing on its latest Hawaii packages. Four-night Waikiki deals are now from \$1499pp share twin, for sales to 12 Feb and travel 12 Feb-15 Dec. The packages include return Hawaiian Airlines fares ex Auckland (add \$179pp ex Wellington or Christchurch), and taxes. The fare is now to be booked in L class, adds the wholesaler.

Bar at the Moana Surfriider, RumFire from the Sheraton Waikiki, Scratch Kitchen & Bake Shop, The Pig and the Lady, Koko Head Café, and MAC 24-7. Tickets are USD75 and available at honoluluoffice.com

... Concert

Hawaiian slack key virtuoso Makana will present a modern-day tribute to the Moana Pacific's musical past with a 'Hawaii Calls' concert, at the hotel's Banyan Courtyard stage, where entertainers from yesteryear played and had their music transmitted around the globe with the original 'Hawaii Calls' radio show. Award-winning Makana will be joined by well-known Hawaiian performers Nina Keali'iwahamana, Palani Vaughn, Pomaika'i Lyman and Taimane Gardner. Tickets are USD115pp including a pre-concert reception, two drinks and hosted parking. To book, see honoluluoffice.com

... Deals

The Moana Birthday Month celebrations kick-off 01 Mar with dining and spa specials. The beachhouse birthday dinner deal is USD115 for dinner for two; while at the Beach Bar, there will be a new drink, Ode to 1989, a toast to the year the Moana Surfriider reopened. The cocktail is USD12 and likened to a signature cocktail that was served back in 1989 when the hotel reopened. The Moana Lani Spa is also offering celebratory treatments such as a macadamia nut scalp treatment, followed by a warm stone foot massage for USD115 for the 45-min treatment. As part of the celebrations, artist Juno Galang will run an artist-in-residence programme in the hotel's lobby 07-12 Mar.

New Kona Coast App

Hawaii Island-bound clients interested in learning more about the Kona Coast's Royal Footsteps can now download a free Kona Royal Guide smartphone app.

The app covers 25-plus points of interest along the length of Alii Drive and offers an easy-to-use self-guided tour. The app covers seven centuries of Hawaii's history via signs highlighting the thoroughfare's importance. See historickailuavillage.com

Outrigger Pool Closure

The main swimming pool at Maui Eldorado Kaanapali by Outrigger is closing for renovation 04 Apr-31 Dec, advises Outrigger Hotels & Resorts. The company says the property's two other swimming pools will still be open for use during this time. In addition, the Maui Eldorado Beach Cabana will be open for guests, adds Outrigger which thanks agents in advance for their understanding while necessary upgrades are made to improve its guest experience.



Dining Out In Kauai

Eating House 1849 by celebrity Hawaiian chef Roy Yamaguchi has opened at the Shops at Kuku'i'ula on Kauai's south shore. The restaurant features signature dishes made famous at the 30 Roy's restaurants, but the new Eating House will mainly showcase new flavours, ingredients and dishes inspired by Portuguese, Filipino and Spanish influences. For more details, see eatinghouse1849.com

At the same time, Mediterranean Gourmet has re-opened at Kauai's Hanalei Colony Resort following a 10-month renovation. Run by husband-and-wife team Imad and Yarrow Beydoun new menu items include pizzas, a Wagyu beef burger, and an organic grass-fed Rib Eye Steak. See kauaimedgourmet.com



Four Seasons Resort Lanai Opens

Following a multi-million dollar luxury upgrade, the Four Seasons Resort Lanai has opened this week—complete with a Nobu restaurant and signature Jack Nicklaus golf course.

The lavish resort features newly-designed rooms, refurbished lobbies, new dining options and luxury retail stores. There's also a renovated spa and new swimming pools including an adults-only Retreat. Activities include limitless activities on land and water, such as horseback ride excursions and Polaris UTV adventures. See fourseasons.com/lanai

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