

## One Stop Festive Waikiki Shop



With Kiwi travellers taking advantage of sharp fares to Honolulu pre-Christmas, Waikiki's International Market Place has released its line-up for the festive season.

In addition to a host of deals on offer for Restaurant Week Hawaii (fixed price offers at 10 restaurants at the mall 10-19 Nov)—there's a Food-Fight planned at the on-site gourmet food court The Street: A Michael Mina Social House on 30 Nov. The event is described as a fun and lively

cocktail competition between two of celebrity chef Michael Mina's fiercest mixologists. Following the battle there will be free samples of the cocktails on offer for the 'audience choice' award.

### ... Sales

The International Market Place will be open on Thanksgiving and 'Black Friday' 1000-2200. Stores offering sales include Banana Republic, Billabong, Crabtree & Evelyn, Honolulu Cookie Company, House of Samsonite, Fossil and L'Occitane en Provence, it adds. There's also free parking with a USD10 spend at an International Marketplace retailer or restaurant.

### ... Santa

At the same time the 'Strolling Santa' dressed in aloha attire and ready for selfies will be at the International Market Place every weekend in Dec. For more details on the sales, Christmas store hours and restaurant offers, see visit [shopinternational-marketplace.com/holidays](http://shopinternational-marketplace.com/holidays)



### Art On The Fence

For clients looking for something different to do in Waikiki, the Honolulu Zoo on Monsarrat Ave is holding an 'Art on the Zoo Fence' event every Sat and Sun 0900-1600, advises Hawaii Tourism. The regular art exhibition is free to attend, and offers clients the chance to meet directly with the local artists.

### Kauai For Meetings

Aqua Kauai Beach Resort has undergone a refurbishment of its indoor meeting spaces, conference facilities and pre-function areas. The Jasmine Ballroom features movable air walls, and reconfigures to three flexible function rooms as well as offering pre-function space. Aqua-Aston advises that the refurbishment includes new carpeting, wallpaper, chandeliers and ceiling treatments as well as a new colour LED system. The property is also offering an exclusive saving on group accommodations of 10 rooms or more. For details, see [kauaibeachresorthawaii.com](http://kauaibeachresorthawaii.com)

### Storytelling

Hawaii bound clients looking to learn more about the culture can take in free performances at the International Market Place, advises Hawaii Tourism. Held daily at sunset the performances tell stories through Polynesian and Hawaiian song and dance.

### Cocktails & Canvas

The Aston Kaanapali Shores is hosting Moments of Fun every Tues and Thu this fall (local time), advises Aqua Aston. The evening features ukulele classes with Jason Jerome of Mahaina Music as well as hula classes.

The highlight however, is the new Cocktails and Canvas party, where clients can learn to paint seascapes and sunsets with professional painters and enjoy a complimentary cocktail. This is on every Thu and is USD59 for guests at Aston Kaanapali properties and residents and USD69 for non-guests. See [astonkaanapalishoreresorts.com](http://astonkaanapalishoreresorts.com)

### Trolley Schedule

Honolulu's Bishop Museum has a new trolley schedule with a slightly shortened day, effective immediately. The main difference is the last pick up is now at 1425, rather than 1555, it adds. See [bishopmuseum.org/shuttle/](http://bishopmuseum.org/shuttle/)



### Ala Moana Center Xmas Festivities Begin

Holiday festivities are beginning this weekend at the Ala Moana Center. From 11 Nov (local time) clients can enjoy meeting Santa, take in daily holiday hula shows and will receive a limited-edition plush Santa with purchases and more.

Highlighted activities include 'ThanksGetting Day' on Black Friday (24 Nov) which will be the biggest shopping day of the year with shops such as Foot Locker, Panda Express and Victoria's Secret opening early. A shopping guide for the event is available at [alamoanacenter.com](http://alamoanacenter.com). Santa will also be taking pictures at the mall, level two 11 Nov-24 Dec. He will be available for Holiday PJ Photo Night at 1700 on 17 Nov and 08 Dec. Then every Mon Santa will be available to take pictures with cats and dogs from 1700.

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