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**SAVE THE DATE FOR THE  
2023 KING KAMEHAMEHA CELEBRATION EVENTS**

**HONOLULU** -- This year marks the 151<sup>st</sup> Annual King Kamehameha Day holiday with festivities planned across the islands. See the statewide schedule of events below. This year's theme is "E ala e nā kini o ka 'āina! Arise people of Hawai'i."

On O'ahu, the annual celebration of King Kamehameha Day begins with the Lei Draping Ceremony on Friday, June 9, at 2:30 p.m. fronting Ali'iōlani Hale. Then the 106<sup>th</sup> King Kamehameha Celebration Floral Parade will take place at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, June 10, 2023. As in year's past, the parade will take a route beginning at King Street fronting 'Iolani Palace. Participants will then head down Punchbowl Street, before making a left on to Ala Moana Boulevard and eventually Kalākaua Avenue. The parade comes to a finish at Monsarrat Avenue and Queen Kapi'olani Park. Streets will begin to close in Downtown Honolulu at 7:30 a.m., with closures coinciding as the Parade moves along the route, several blocks before its approach. The Parade is expected to reach Kapi'olani Park around 11:30 a.m.

The patience and consideration by residents, retail establishments, and the public along the parade route during this process is greatly appreciated. While parade organizers and volunteers work to ensure a timely delivery, congestion in the area can be expected, during the event.

Motorists are advised to avoid the area by using alternate routes and allow for extra driving time in areas near the event. Please refrain from double-parking, which creates congestion, limits traffic flow and is illegal.

Following the parade, the public is invited to enjoy live music, food and more at the King Kamehameha Celebration Ho'olaule'a at Kapi'olani Park from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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## **2023 KING KAMEHAMEHA CELEBRATION SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

1. 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual King's Gala, Location: Kaunakakai, Moloka'i - Hiro's 'Ohana Grill at Hotel Moloka'i  
Date: June 2, 2023, at 5 pm - 9 pm
2. King Kamehameha Pā'ū Parade, Location: Ala Malama Ave., Kaunakakai, Moloka'i  
Date: June 3, 2023, at 5:30 pm
3. King Kamehameha Ho'olaule'a, Location: Kaunakakai, Moloka'i, Kaunakakai Ball Park  
Date: June 3, 2023, at 6 pm – 10 pm
4. King Kamehameha Statue Lei Draping, Location: Honolulu, O'ahu  
Date: June 9, 2023, from 1 pm – 5 pm
5. 106th King Kamehameha Celebration Floral Parade Location: 'Iolani Palace to Kapi'olani Park  
Date: June 10, 2023, from 9 am – 1 pm
6. King Kamehameha Celebration Ho'olaule'a, Location: Queen Kapi'olani Park, Honolulu, O'ahu  
Date: June 10, 2023, from 11 am – 5 pm
7. King Kamehameha Celebration Floral Parade, Location: Kona, Hawai'i Island  
Date: June 10, 2023, from 9 am - 11:30 am
8. King Kamehameha Celebration Ho'olaule'a, Location: Hulihe'e Palace, Kona, Hawai'i Island  
Date: June 10, 2023, from 11:30 am - 3 pm
9. King Kamehameha Celebration Parade, Location: Līhu'e, Kaua'i Rice Street from Vidihna Stadium to the Historic County Building  
Date: June 10, 2023, from 9 am
10. King Kamehameha Celebration Ho'olaule'a, Location: Līhu'e, Kaua'i Historic County Building  
Date: June 10, 2023, from 9 am – 3 pm
11. Kamehameha Paniolo Heritage Rodeo, Location: Maunaloa Town, Moloka'i  
Date: June 10, 2023, from 10 am – 5 pm
12. King Kamehameha Statue Lei Draping, Location: King Kamehameha Statue, Kohala, Hawai'i Island  
Date: June 11, 2023, at 8 am. Morning protocol begins at sunrise, Royal procession, hālau hula performances, receiving lei at 7 am, Lei Draping 8 am
13. King Kamehameha Celebration Floral Parade, Location: Kohala, Hawai'i Island  
Date: June 11, 2023, at 9 am
14. King Kamehameha Celebration Ho'olaule'a, Location: Kohala, Hawai'i Island  
Date: June 11, 2023, at 11 am
15. Nā Kamehameha Commemorative Pā'ū Parade, Location: Lāhainā, Maui  
Date: June 17, 2023, at 9:45 am
16. Nā Kamehameha Commemorative Ho'olaule'a, Location: Lāhainā, Maui  
Date: June 17, 2023, at 9 am

\*Information is subject to change.

Support provided by the Hawai'i Tourism Authority through the Community Enrichment Program and the Honolulu Mayor's Office of Culture and the Arts. Lei Draping Ceremonies presented by the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts. For more information and full list of upcoming King Kamehameha Celebration events please visit [www.KamehamehaDay.Hawaii.Gov](http://www.KamehamehaDay.Hawaii.Gov).

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