Envisioning Our Future

Preserving Our Histories and Places

National Asian & Pacific Islander Historic Preservation Forum

January 31 - February 3, 2020
Honolulu, Hawai‘i
Asian and Pacific Islander Americans in Historic Preservation (APIAHiP) is a volunteer-based nonprofit dedicated to leading in the preservation and awareness of Asian and Pacific Islander American historic sites and heritage across the United States and its territories. Since our founding in 2007, APIAHiP has worked to create greater awareness of historic sites and cultural resources significant to Asian and Pacific Islander Americans (APIAs) with advocacy efforts and educational programs, while building a vast network of supporters.

APIAHiP's mission is to protect historic places and cultural resources significant to Asian and Pacific Islander Americans through historic preservation and heritage conservation by: (1) creating an information-sharing network that supports established and emerging historic preservation programs, and contributes to defining issues; (2) establishing educational programs to raise public awareness and impact historic preservation policy on local, state, and national levels; and (3) increasing public and private resources for building historic preservation capacity. The term "historic preservation" and "heritage conservation" are meant to include educational and community development activities involving the preservation, conservation, and protection of tangible and intangible historic and cultural resources.

APIAHiP was created in 2007 when Asian and Pacific Islanders Americans noticed a lack of APIA representation at state and national preservation meetings. In response, key founders developed an API Caucus at the National Trust for Historic Preservation's annual conference. In June 2010, the API Caucus developed and hosted the first Asian Pacific Islander American National Historic Preservation Forum in San Francisco, California. The first Forum brought people together from communities across the nation and in US territories to share their issues and approaches to preservation. We have continued to organize a Forum every other year in Los Angeles (2012), Washington, DC (2014), Stockton (2016), and San Francisco (2018).

APIAHiP engages advocacy, research, and resource sharing through several platforms and initiatives. It maintains a national crowd-sourced mapping project, “East at Main Street,” which features APIA historic sites and cultural resources. It has developed a Preservation in Action toolkit to support sites that are threatened, sites nominated for landmark designation, and preservation-related funding for nominations, technical support, and research. People from the APIAHiP network serve on advisory boards and support preservation policy and planning efforts, notably the National Park Service’s AAPI Heritage Initiative and Theme Study, and the City of Los Angeles's Asian American context statement, and the State of California’s AAPI context statement.
Aloha kākou! We are pleased to have Honolulu, Hawai‘i as our host city for the 2020 National Asian and Pacific Islander American Forum on January 31 - February 3. With the theme of “Envisioning Our Future, Preserving Our Histories and Places,” we are especially grateful to our local community partners in O‘ahu for helping to bring this convening together. We aim for this Forum to highlight the city’s diverse histories and cultures while learning from and about the challenges in preservation.

With every Forum, we aim to learn from and collaborate with local scholars, practitioners, and organizations to highlight their innovative work in historic preservation. For APIAHiP, historic preservation is broadly defined as we want to be inclusive and relevant to our communities, which often means that we look at issues related to public policy, humanities, arts and culture, intangible heritage, environment/conservation, urban planning, community development, and so forth. We are excited to be here in Hawai‘i to learn more about historic preservation efforts in the Pacific region.

With attendees convening from across the nation, we are thrilled to see old friends and make new ones. The 2020 Forum is designed to learn about historic and cultural preservation efforts that are important for APIAs with a focus on Hawai‘i and the Pacific by bringing together experts in the fields of preservation, community development, history, and the arts with community groups, practitioners, and students. We hope you enjoy the educational panels, tours of historic sites and neighborhoods, film screenings, and group discussions about the diverse stories of APIAs in the Pacific Region as they tell our diverse, layered stories of US history.

We look forward to learning more about stories, people, and places here in Hawai‘i as they may inspire us to envision the future of historic preservation not only for Asian and Pacific Islander Americans, but for all Americans.

Me ka aloha pumehana (with kindest regards),

**Bill Watanabe**
Bill Watanabe  
Co-Founder and Board Chair

**Michelle Magalong**
Michelle Magalong, PhD  
President
FRIDAY, JANUARY 31, 2020

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Meet at Japanese Cultural Center of Hawai‘i

TICKETED TOURS OF HONOU LIULI NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE

- Presented by Japanese Cultural Center of Hawai‘i (JCCH)
- Join JCCH and the National Park Service for a visit to the Honouliuli National Historic Site, Hawai‘i’s largest and longest operating World War II detention camp. Walk the site, visit landmarks, and learn the personal stories of Japanese American prisoners and their families.
- Website: www.jcch.com/honouliuli-national-historic-site-tours

12:00 PM - 5:30 PM

Japanese Cultural Center of Hawai‘i

SELF-GUIDED TOURS OF JAPANESE CULTURAL CENTER OF HAWAI‘I

- Located at 2454 South Beretania Street in Mō‘ili‘ili, the Cultural Center features a Community and Historical Gallery, Resource Center, Ken shikan martial arts dojō, Seikōan Japanese teahouse and Gift Shop. The Cultural Center presents various programs, festivals, and exhibitions throughout the year.
- The Honouliuli Education Center, located in the JCCH Community Gallery in Mō‘ili‘ili, is open Monday through Saturday and is free to the public. The Honouliuli Education Center showcases photos of Honouliuli Internment Camp, artifacts from the internees, oral history videos, and virtual tours of the Honouliuli National Historic Site. For those who cannot visit in person, JCCH also has an online, searchable directory of the internees from Hawai‘i at https://interneedirectory.jcch.com.
- The JCCH presents Okage Sama De: I am what I am because of you, an exhibition that tells a cultural story that resonates with all ethnicities across the United States. The exhibit reveals the indelible legacies and values passed on from generation to generation—starting with the first wave of Japanese immigrants in 1868—that are now woven into the Hawai‘i landscape and still carried on today.

5:30 PM - 7:00 PM

Japanese Cultural Center of Hawai‘i

OPENING RECEPTION AND FILM SCREENING AT JAPANESE CULTURAL CENTER OF HAWAI‘I

- Film Screening: Voices Behind Barbed Wire: Stories of Hawai‘i Island
  - Voices Behind Barbed Wire explores the personal stories of the Hawai‘i Island Japanese Americans from their initial imprisonment at Kilauea Military Camp, transfer and interrogation at Sand Island, and their incarceration in far away places like New Mexico, Arkansas, and Arizona. The film also focuses on the modern day relevance of civil liberties and takes an archaeological journey through the former WWII prison sites on Hawai‘i Island.
- Q&A following the film screening with Jacce Mikulanec and Ryan Kawamoto (producer)
- Presentation of APIAHiP Preservation Leadership Award:
  - Presented to Japanese Cultural Center of Hawai‘i’s volunteers for their commitment to preserving and sharing the stories of Honouliuli and the Hawai‘i internment experience.
8:30 AM - 2:00 PM Hawai‘i Imin International Conference Center at Jefferson Hall (East-West Center)

REGISTRATION

8:30 AM - 9:00 AM Imin - Wailana & Makana rooms

LIGHT BREAKFAST AND REFRESHMENTS

9:00 AM - 9:45 AM Imin - Keoni Auditorium

WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS
- Oli
- Welcome - Michelle Magalong and Bill Watanabe (APIAHiP)
- Preservation Pop-Up: Selected attendees invited to provide short (3-5 minutes) descriptions of projects, campaigns, or calls to action.

10:00 AM - 10:45 AM Imin - Keoni Auditorium

PANEL DISCUSSION: PARTNERS IN PRESERVATION
- Hanako Wakatsuki-Chong (National Park Service)
- Dr. Alan Downer (Hawaii State Historic Preservation Division)
- Kiersten Faulkner (Historic Hawai‘i Foundation)
- Moderator: Dennis Arguelles (National Parks Conservation Association)
- Learn about various types of partners in preservation and their roles, particularly in relation to APIA heritage and communities as the panelists share lessons and stories from their work in Hawai‘i.

11:00 AM - 11:45 AM Imin - Keoni Auditorium

PANEL DISCUSSION: DEVELOPING THE LEADERSHIP PIPELINE
- Maile Meyer (Nā Mea)
- Joe Quinata (Guam Preservation Trust)
- Dennis Arguelles (National Parks Conservation Association)
- Moderator: Hanako Wakatsuki-Chong (NPS)
- The leadership and development panel will be focusing on how different types of organizations are trying to set up the community for success. We will cover youth engagement and developing leaders from the federal, non-profit, and community organizations. Guiding questions: How are we empowering the community in this field? How do you engage underserved and underrepresented populations to get folks the experience needed to get hired in the field of preservation.
This panel highlights the important linkages and intersectionalities of the arts and humanities in relation to historic preservation and heritage conservation for Asian and Pacific Islander American peoples and places in Hawai‘i and the Pacific region.
9:00 AM - 9:45 AM  
**IMIN - KEONI AUDITORIUM**

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**PANEL DISCUSSION:**
**HERITAGE CONSERVATION, ARCHITECTURE, AND PLANNING**
- Zita Cup Choy (Iōlani Palace)
- Dean Sakamoto (Dean Sakamoto LLC)
- Lorraine Minatoishi-Palumbo (Minatoishi Architects)
- Elizabeth Po’oloa (Hawaiian Mission Houses Historic Site & Archives)
- Moderator: Huy Pham (City of San Antonio)
- This panel will highlight local projects and approaches on heritage conservation, architecture, and urban planning as they are associated with Asian and Pacific Islander communities, places, and projects.

11:00 AM - 11:45 AM  
**IMIN - KEONI AUDITORIUM**

**PANEL DISCUSSION:**
**HEALING, RECLAIMING THE PAST, AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION**
- Jacce Mikulanec (Japanese Cultural Center of Hawai‘i)
- Dr. Mary Therese Perez Hattori (East-West Center)
- Maya Kawailanaokeawaiki Saffery (Kawaihuelani Center for Hawaiian Language; Kauluakalana)
- Moderator: Aiko Yamashiro (Hawai‘i Council for the Humanities)
- This panel will look at diverse examples of community-engaged preservation work. How does historical preservation address historical/contemporary trauma in our communities? What is the usefulness or impact of an approach that centers “healing” (and what does healing look like)? What is the importance of intergenerational connection in this kind of work?

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM  
**IMIN - WAILANA & MAKANA ROOMS**

**LUNCH**
- Group Photo
- Presentation of Dr. Dawn B. Mabalon Leadership in Preservation Award: We present this award to Dr. Davianna Pōmaika‘i McGregor, Professor and Founding Faculty member in the Department of Ethnic Studies at the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa, for her leadership and scholarship on Native Hawaiian historic preservation. Her ongoing research, which includes oral history interviews, focuses on the persistence of traditional Hawaiian cultural customs, beliefs, and practices in rural Hawaiian communities on the main Hawaiian islands. As a member of the Protect Kaho‘olawe ‘Ohana she helps provide stewardship of the island of Kanaloa Kaho‘olawe.
1:00 PM - 1:45 PM  Imin - Keoni Auditorium

PANEL DISCUSSION: ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION IN THE PACIFIC
- Dr. Davianna Pōmaika‘i McGregor (University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa)
- Donovan Preza (Kapi‘olani Community College)
- Joe Quinata (Guam Preservation Trust)
- Moderator: Dr. Michelle Magalong (APIAHiP/University of Maryland)
This closing session aims to highlight the importance of placing historic preservation efforts into larger discussions on the environment and conservation in the Pacific. Panelists will discuss the complexities of preservation work in Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander communities in terms of legal and political frameworks.

1:45 PM - 2:00 PM  Imin - Keoni Auditorium

CLOSING REMARKS
- APIAHiP Preservation Leadership Award: Presented to United States Representative Ed Case
- Presentation of APIAHiP Preservation Leadership Award: Presented to US Representative Ed Case. We honor US Representative Ed Case (HI) for his extensive public service of advocating on behalf of Asian and Pacific Islander issues in Congress, including requesting a hearing on Asian and Pacific American Heritage Month for the House Committee on Natural Resources in May 2019, supporting the Japanese American Confinement Sites grants program, and in serving on the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus.

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM  Imin - Wailana & Makana rooms

OPTIONAL AFFINITY MEETINGS

2:00 PM - 4:00 PM  EWC Gallery

PUBLIC OPENING OF SOUNDS OF THE ASIA PACIFIC

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM  EWC Hale Halawai

CLOSING RECEPTION

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2020

8:00 AM - 12:00PM
- Ticketed tours of Honouliuli National Historic Site
- Meet at Japanese Cultural Center of Hawai‘i

12:00 PM ONWARDS
- Tours (on your own) - Various locations
GUIDED TOURS BY RESERVATION

Chinatown Food, History, and Culture Walking Tours
Presented by Hawai‘i Heritage Center
1040 Smith St. • Honolulu, HI 96817 • (808) 521-2497
Every Wednesday and Friday from 9:30 to 11:30 am.
- No reservations needed, but call 9 am to 1:30 pm Monday - Friday for location, parking and public transportation options.
- All tours start at the HHC gallery and begin with a brief talk about Chinatown and its history.

Hawai‘i Capital District Walking Tour
Capital District in Downtown Honolulu
Website: https://arcg.is/0Kj89f
- See 23 points of interest in the Capital District in downtown Honolulu.

Hawai‘i State Capitol Building
415 S Beretania St • Honolulu, HI 96813 • (808) 586-0034
Website: https://tinyurl.com/tgwrsaw
- Begin self-guided tour on the ground entry level at the makai (ocean) end, facing the statue of Queen Lili‘uokalani.

Hawaiian Mission Houses
553 S. King Street • Honolulu, HI 96817 • (808) 447-3910
Website: www.missionhouses.org/tours-and-programs/
- Guided house tours on Tuesday - Saturday
- History Buff tour on Fridays at 3 pm

‘Iolani Palace
364 S. King Street • Honolulu, HI 96813 • (808) 522-0822
Website: www.iolanipalace.org/visit/tours-admission/guided-tours/
- Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday: 9 am - 10 am
- Friday: 9 am - 11:15 am
- Tours begin every 15 minutes and reservations are highly recommended.
- Self-guided audio tours available

Mānoa Heritage Center
2856 O‘ahu Ave • Honolulu, HI 96822 • (808) 988-1287
Website: www.manoaheritagecenter.org/adult-tours/
- Tours are by reservation only with a minimum of 2 people and a maximum of 20.

Shangri La Museum of Islamic Art, Culture, and Design
4055 Papu Circle • Honolulu, HI 96816 • (808) 532-3853
Website: www.shangrilahawaii.org/visit/
- NOTE: Access to Shangri La is by reservation or business appointment only.

Washington Place
320 S Beretania St. • Honolulu, HI 96813 • (808) 586-0248
Website: ags.hawaii.gov/washingtonplace/visitor-information
- Public tours are held on Thursdays at 10 am. For reservations, visit website.

SELF-GUIDED TOURS

East-West Center
1601 East-West Rd • Honolulu, HI 96848 • (808) 944-7111
Website: www.eastwestcenter.org/about-ewc/visitor-information

Bernice Pauahi Bishop Museum
1525 Bernice St • Honolulu, HI 96817 • (808) 847-3511
Website: https://www.bishopmuseum.org/

Hawai’i’s Plantation Village
94-695 Waipahu St • Waipahu, HI 96797 • (808) 677-0041
Website: http://www.hawaiiplantationvillage.org/

Pearl Harbor National Memorial
1845 Wasp Blvd Bldg 176 • Honolulu, HI 96818
(808) 422-3399
Website: https://www.nps.gov/valr/planyourvisit/fees.htm

Polynesian Cultural Center
55-370 Kamehameha Hwy • Lā‘ie, HI 96762
(800) 367-7060
Website: https://www.polynesia.com/
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The National Parks Conservation Association congratulates APIAHiP on ten years of success protecting the cultural heritage of Asian and Pacific Islander Americans.

Together with our 1.3 million members and supporters, NPCA speaks for America's favorite places. Since our founding in 1919, we have been an independent, nonpartisan voice working to strengthen and protect our nation's natural, historical and cultural heritage. Your voice is needed more than ever to help protect these incredible places now, and for future generations. Join us at npca.org/join.
Shangri La is a museum for learning about the global cultures of Islamic art and design through exhibitions, digital and educational initiatives, public tours and programs, and community partnerships.

www.shangrilahawaii.org
Schedule-At-A-Glance

FRIDAY, JANUARY 31

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM  Ticketed tours of Honouliuli National Historic Site
12:00 PM - 5:30 PM  Self-guided tours of Japanese Cultural Center of Hawai'i
5:30 PM - 7:00 PM  Opening Reception and Film Screening at Japanese Cultural Center of Hawai'i

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1

8:30 AM - 3:00 PM  Educational sessions at Hawai'i Imin International Conference Center at Jefferson Hall (East-West Center)*
2:00 PM - 5:00 PM  Self-guided tours

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2

8:30 AM - 3:00 PM  Educational sessions at Hawai'i Imin International Conference Center at Jefferson Hall (East-West Center)*
3:00 PM - 5:00 PM  Self-guided tours
5:00 PM - 7:00 PM  Closing reception at East-West Center Hale Halawai

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM  Ticketed tours of Honouliuli National Historic Site
12:00 PM - 5:00 PM  Self-guided tours

*Continental breakfast and lunch provided

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