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**Bidding Starts Thursday, August 13 for Bishop Museum's
Annual Online Auction, E Ulu A Pa'a**

*More than 80 one-of-a-kind treasures and exclusive Bishop Museum Experiences
will be up for bid, supporting the Museum's mission, staff, and work.*

Honolulu, Hawai'i — [Bishop Museum](https://bishopmuseum.cbo.io), the State of Hawai'i Museum of Natural and Cultural History, will once again hold its popular online auction, [E Ulu a Pa'a](https://bishopmuseum.cbo.io). Bids will start at 3 p.m. HST Thursday, Aug. 13, 2026 and run until 9 p.m. HST Sunday, Aug. 23, 2026. Shoppers can register now at bishopmuseum.cbo.io, then preview the more than 80 one of-a-kind treasures and exclusive Bishop Museum Experiences shortly before the event starts on Thursday, Aug. 13.

The 11-day online auction supports the mission, staff, and work at Bishop Museum.

"Our Bishop Museum 'Ohana expresses our deep appreciation and mahalo for the community's continued support," shared Janet Bullard, Bishop Museum vice president of institutional advancement and marketing communications, and acting director of government relations. "Donations raise vital funds to ensure Bishop Museum can continue to protect, preserve, and perpetuate the rich cultural and natural heritage of our Islands and the Pacific for generations to come."

Select items and experiences up for bid include:

- Handmade vintage kimono, made with 100% Rayon, Procion, and indigo dyes.
- Lei hulu kāmoe made with natural golden pheasant feathers.
- Four VIP tickets to Kaula Lū'au at Ko'olina.
- Custom tenor 'ukulele with case by Mike Chock.
- Pāpale lauhala, woven hat.
- Two nights at the OUTRIGGER Waikiki Paradise, with a helicopter excursion.

- “Scenic Route” original eucaustic by artist Robin Appasamy.
- Bishop Museum Experience: “Deep Dive Into Hawaiian Waters.”
- Private behind-the-scenes Vertebrate Zoology tour and lunch with Bishop Museum President and CEO Dr. Kris Helgen.
- Custom hand-painted ceramic ornaments by artist Kaelyn Okuhata.

For more information and to register to bid, please visit bishopmuseum.cbo.io.

News media: Images of the above items and Bishop Museum Experiences can be found [here](#). Detailed, individual descriptions available upon request.

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About Bernice Pauahi Bishop Museum, the State of Hawai‘i Museum of Natural and Cultural History:

Bernice Pauahi Bishop Museum’s mission is to inspire our community and visitors through the exploration, celebration, and perpetuation of the extraordinary history, culture, and environment of Hawai‘i and the Pacific. The Museum was founded in 1889 by Charles Reed Bishop in memory of his wife Bernice Pauahi Bishop, a royal descendant of King Kamehameha I. Today, the Museum thrives as an educational center for the community and is widely regarded as the world’s premier institution for Hawaiian and Pacific content.

Bishop Museum’s vast collections of more than 25 million objects and specimens represent nine disciplines and include more than 22 million biological specimens, over 2 million cultural objects, 115,000 historical publications, and 1 million photographs, films, works of art, audio recordings, and manuscripts. These collections tell the stories of the cultures and biodiversity of Hawai‘i and the Pacific as well as the proud legacy of scholarly research spanning 130 years.

Bishop Museum proudly serves more than 200,000 visitors each year, including 20,000 children on school visits. Guests are encouraged to pre-plan their trip to #HawaiiisMuseum with its [free digital guide](#), available through Bloomberg Connects.

To learn more about the Museum’s research, collections, exhibits, and programs, visit BishopMuseum.org, follow @BishopMuseum on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#), visit Bishop Museum’s [YouTube](#) channel, or call (808) 847-3511. Bishop Museum is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.

Bishop Museum is proud to be an Equal Employment Opportunity and Affirmative Action Employer, and welcomes applicants from the military, veterans, and those with disabilities. Learn about careers at Bishop Museum at BishopMuseum.org/Careers and on its [LinkedIn](#) page.

[Bishop Museum Press](#) is Hawai‘i’s oldest book publisher and one of the first scholarly publishers in the Western Hemisphere, and has published over 1,200 titles and distributed over 1 million books in 72 countries worldwide. Bishop Museum hosts a restaurant and gift shop on campus, [Tūtū's Place by Highway Inn](#) and [Shop Pacifica by Nā Mea Hawai‘i](#).

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