



BISHOP MUSEUM

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Bishop Museum Announces New Exhibition, *Corned Beef & Kalo*

Honolulu, Hawai‘i — [Bernice Pauahi Bishop Museum](#) announces a new exhibition coming to its J. M. Long Gallery in March.

Corned Beef & Kalo, curated by Healoha Johnston, Bishop Museum director of Cultural Resources and curator for Hawai‘i and Pacific Arts and Culture, will feature *Pisupo lua afe (Corned Beef 2000)* by Michel Tuffery and KALO by Bernice Akamine. The exhibition brings together two iconic works of contemporary art to consider how artists make visible issues related to agricultural subsistence, environmental sustainability, and everyday life where food imports and structured land use intertwine.

Akamine’s KALO installation features the pages of the Kū‘ē Petitions copied on newsprint paper and attached to pōhaku (stones) in reference to Hawai‘i’s origin stories and aloha ‘āina movements. Tuffery grapples with the convergence of everyday consumer items, customary practice, and commercialized foodways in the Pacific. Together, they bring our attention to the way a society’s worldview informs everyday actions within larger food systems and can support healthy relationships between people and the environment.

Bishop Museum is the host venue for Mālama Hāloa Festival 2024 and an official venue for the Festival of Pacific Arts and Culture (FestPAC) 2024 in collaboration with The Pacific Community (SPC), celebrating the theme: **“Ho‘oulu Lāhui: Regenerating Oceania”** honoring the traditions that FestPAC exists to perpetuate with an eye toward the future. *Corned Beef & Kalo* is developed in partnership with Ed “Makahipo” Cashman, Director of Ka Papa Lo‘i ‘O Kānewai at Hawai‘i inuiākea School of Hawaiian Knowledge, University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa in conjunction with the Mālama Hāloa Festival and the Festival of Pacific Arts and Culture 2024.

Corned Beef & Kalo opens to the public in Bishop Museum’s J. M. Long Gallery in Hawaiian Hall on Saturday, March 9, 2023, and runs through Sept. 8, 2024. Additional information and tickets can be found at BishopMuseum.org.

Media Preview Opportunity on Thursday, March 7, 2023

Bishop Museum invites members of the media to attend an exclusive, pre-opening, closed-door

Media Preview of *Corned Beef & Kalo*:

- Thursday, March 7, 2023
- 1-4 p.m. HST
- Bishop Museum, J. M. Long Gallery, Hawaiian Hall Complex
- Please RSVP with Lance Aquino via the contact information above

Interview opportunities:

- Bishop Museum Director of Cultural Resources and Exhibition Co-curator Healoha Johnston
- Bishop Museum Director of Exhibits and *Corned Beef & Kalo* Exhibit Designer Brad Evans

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About Bernice Pauahi Bishop Museum:

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 two million cultural objects, 115,000 historical publications, and one 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.

To learn more about the Museum's research, collections, exhibits, and programs, visit [BishopMuseum.org](https://www.bishopmuseum.org), follow @BishopMuseum on [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#), become a fan of Bishop Museum on [Facebook](#), visit Bishop Museum's [YouTube](#) channel, or call (808) 847-3511. Bishop Museum is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.

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