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**Bishop Museum April 2025
Exhibitions, Public Programs, and Events**

Honolulu, Hawai‘i — [Bishop Museum](https://www.bishopmuseum.org), the State of Hawai‘i Museum of Natural and Cultural History, shares its April 2025 exhibitions, public programs, and events. A full and continually updated listing can be found on the Museum’s website, [BishopMuseum.org](https://www.bishopmuseum.org). For more information on any of the items listed herein, please contact Lance Aquino with Stryker Weiner & Yokota Public Relations, Inc.

April sees the celebration of the life, work, and legacy of Mary Kawena Pukui at Museum After Hours on April 11, 2025. Pukui’s unparalleled contributions to Hawaiian cultural revitalization encompass every facet of Hawaiian knowledge, practice, and existence. The evening event will include special tributes, mele, and hula.

April 2025

- Ongoing | Exhibit
[*Wayfinders: He Wa‘a He Moku, He Moku He Wa‘a, We Are One and the Same*](#)
Jabulka Pavilion Rotunda (J. Watumull Planetarium lobby)

Wayfinders: He Wa‘a He Moku, He Moku He Wa‘a, We Are One and the Same celebrates the resurgence of wayfinding across Hawai‘i and the wider Moananuiākea. *Wayfinders* showcases the growing family of voyaging canoes and crew members, reflecting on environmental and cultural stewardship for future generations. Meet inspirational leaders in the Hall of Teachers interactive by Arizona State University, and practice using kūkuluokalani, the Hawaiian star compass, and nā lālani hōkū, the four Hawaiian star lines, to navigate.

- Ongoing | Exhibit
[*Hawai‘i Triennial 2025: ALOHA NŌ*](#)
Castle Memorial Building

Included with Museum admission. Free for Bishop Museum Members.

The *Hawai‘i Triennial*, held every three years, is a statewide exhibition of contemporary art from Hawai‘i, the Pacific, and beyond. Bishop Museum is honored to once again be a participating venue, this year featuring the work of nine artists whose respective practices have a connection to cultural material and are informed by archival collections, including those of Bishop Museum.

- Ongoing | Exhibition
[*Kū a Lanakila! Expressions of Sovereignty in Early Territorial Hawai‘i, 1900-1920*](#)
J. M. Long Gallery

Included with Museum admission. Free for Bishop Museum Members.

Kū a Lanakila! Expressions of Sovereignty in Early Territorial Hawai‘i, 1900-1920 delves into the ways Kānaka ‘Ōiwi (Native Hawaiian people) asserted their presence and sovereignty during Hawai‘i’s early territorial period through cultural and political expressions. Featuring a stunning array of artifacts, including ‘ahu ‘ula (capes), lei hulu (feather lei), banners, and political ephemera, the exhibit highlights how Native Hawaiians engaged in public ceremony, competitive sports, and political activism to maintain their identity and agency in a time of profound change.

- Ongoing | Exhibit
[*Lalo: Science and Conservation in the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands*](#)
Science Adventure Center

Included with Museum admission. Free for Bishop Museum Members.

Lalo: Science and Conservation in the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands tells the cultural and scientific significance of Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument (PMNM) as the kūpuna islands of Hawai‘i. The exhibit features “The Ongoing Legacy of Coral Reef Exploration” and “The Lalo Plastic Story,” as well as 2D and 3D digital experiences that allow visitors to view terrestrial and underwater scenes and experience them as a series of immersive storylines about PMNM.

- Ongoing | Exhibit
[*Lele o Nā Manu: The Splendor and Loss of Hawai‘i’s Birds*](#)
Science Adventure Center

Included with Museum admission. Free for Bishop Museum Members.

Lele o Nā Manu: The Splendor and Loss of Hawai‘i’s Birds features 47 exquisite carvings of

endemic manu nahele by master craftsman, Haruo Uchiyama. The complete set of historically known Hawaiian honeycreepers are displayed atop an original mural painted by local artist, Patrick Ching. The exhibit also includes a mural by Dr. Julian Hume depicting prehistoric Kīpahulu Valley, Maui; fossils of extinct Hawaiian bird species; and an interactive game.

The opening of *Lele o Nā Manu* coincided with Ka Makahiki o nā Manu Nahele, the Year of the Forest Birds, a campaign to celebrate and raise awareness around Hawai‘i’s native forest birds.

- Ongoing | Installation

[*Faith and Philanthropy: Queen Emma Kaleleonālani in England*](#)

Hawaiian Hall

Included with Museum admission. Free for Bishop Museum Members.

Between 1865-1866, Queen Emma Kaleleonālani departed Hawai‘i for a year-long journey to England, her first and only international voyage. Her journey had a specific mission: fundraising for the construction of St. Andrew’s Cathedral, the seat of the Anglican Church in the Kingdom of Hawai‘i. *Faith and Philanthropy: Queen Emma Kaleleonālani in England* highlights research identifying items associated with Queen Emma’s travel and fundraising strategies, utilizing objects from multiple Bishop Museum collections to demonstrate not only the richness of Emma’s journey, but also the social, religious, and political spaces she navigated as a Hawaiian royal.

- Ongoing | Installations

[Campus Murals](#)

Throughout the Museum campus.

Included with Museum admission. Free for Bishop Museum Members.

Bishop Museum’s outdoor murals provide an immersive art experience that bridges traditional culture, creative expression, and indigenous perspectives. The initial round of murals was completed in 2021 in conjunction with the special exhibit [POW! WOW! The First Decade: From Hawai‘i to the World](#), and was expanded in May 2023 during the Hawai‘i Walls Mural Festival in Kalihi. The additional murals were inspired by the Kalihi community, local histories, and Bishop Museum’s cultural and scientific collections and resources.

- Thursdays-Tuesdays

[Planetarium Shows](#)

J. Watumull Planetarium

\$3 with General Admission. Free for Bishop Museum Members.

Join us in the J. Watumull Planetarium at Bishop Museum to connect with the environment and peoples of the Pacific region, the expanse of our universe, and the stories we pass on from generation to generation.

2025 Spring Planetarium Shows:

- “The Hawaiian Sky Tonight”
- “Wayfinders: Waves, Winds, and Stars”
- “3-2-1 Liftoff!”
- “Ngā Tohunga Whakātere: The Navigators”
- “Edge of Darkness”

- [April 2025 Sky Map](#) | Online Resource (also attached to this release)

Free downloads for personal use.

You and your ‘ohana can try your hand at backyard astronomy! The monthly Sky Maps from our J. Watumull Planetarium show the sky above Hawai‘i from about 8-10 p.m. HST. Hold the Sky Map above your head to align all four directions and discover which stars and constellations are visible this month.

- Friday, April 11, 2025, 5-9 p.m. | Public Program
[Museum After Hours: Nānā i ke Kumu | Celebrating the Legacy of Mary Kawena Pukui](#)
Throughout the Museum campus.

\$10 pre-sale, \$15 at the door for General Admission. Free for Bishop Museum Members.

In partnership with the Mary Kawena Pukui Cultural Preservation Society, we celebrate the life, work, and legacy of our hero of cultural preservation, Mary Kawena Pukui. Pukui spent more than 50 years documenting, translating, and compiling Hawaiian knowledge systems during a time when Hawaiian culture and traditions were being lost. Join us for a special evening of tributes, mele, and hula.

- Saturday, April 12, 2025, 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. | Public Program
[Kalihi Ahupua‘a Ride](#)

\$10 Adult Riders. Free for Youth Riders (7-17 years old). Pre-registration by April 7, 2025, is required.

Kalihi Ahupua‘a Ride is a community bike ride from mauka to makai across the ahupua‘a and community of Kalihi. The eight-mile downhill ride is organized and led by youth, highlighting several “story stops” where riders learn about the cultural and historical significance of each place and its role in transforming the vibrant neighborhood over time.

Bishop Museum is honored to welcome our Kalihi neighbors to our campus, where Museum staff will share mo‘olelo honoring Kaiwi‘ula and our namesake Ke Ali‘i Bernice Pauahi Bishop.

The Kalihi Ahupua‘a Ride is coordinated by Kalihi Valley Instructional Bike Exchange (KVIBE), a project of Kōkua Kalihi Valley.

- Saturday, April 12, 2025, 10-11 a.m. | Public Program
[Kanikapila ma Kaiwi‘ula](#)
Nā Ulu o Kaiwi‘ula Native Hawaiian Garden

Included with Museum admission. Free for Bishop Museum Members.

E ho‘okani pila kākou! Join members of the ‘Ukulele Guild of Hawai‘i in our Nā Ulu o Kaiwi‘ula Native Hawaiian Garden. Bring your ‘ukulele or borrow one. Learn new techniques, share mo‘olelo, or just enjoy the music as ‘Ukulele Guild of Hawai‘i leads guests through selections from “He Mele Aloha: A Hawaiian Songbook.”

- Wednesday, April 16, 2025, 4:30-8 p.m. | Event
[Kaiwi‘ula Night Market](#)
Visitor Parking 2

Free admission.

Join us every third Wednesday for the Kaiwi‘ula Night Market! It’s a new monthly opportunity for our shared community to gather at Bishop Museum. Come enjoy good eats and amazing crafts from our rotating list of local vendors.

The Kaiwi‘ula Night Market also acts as the O‘ahu pickup site for [Grow Aloha](#). Every month in 2025, reserve a plant online and drop by the Kaiwi‘ula Night Market to adopt a native plant for free.

- Wednesday, April 16, 2025, 5-8 p.m. | Public Program
[Grow Aloha: Plant Pickup](#)
Visitor Parking 2

Free with online reservation.

[Grow Aloha](#) is a hui of plant adoption partners working together to restore Hawaiian plants and our relationships with them in urban areas. Bishop Museum is a proud partner and plant adoption site on O‘ahu. Every month in 2025, reserve a plant online and drop by the Grow Aloha tent at the [Kaiwi‘ula Night Market](#) to adopt a native plant for free.

The Kaiwi‘ula Night Market is held at Bishop Museum every third Wednesday of the month.

- Friday, April 18, 2025, 7-8 p.m. | Event
[The Stars Tonight](#)
J. Watumull Planetarium

Capacity is limited, and registration is required. \$10 General Adult, \$7 General Youth. Children 3 and under are free but will be expected to share a seat with an adult or guardian. 50% discount for Bishop Museum Members.

Come study the stars, travel across the Earth and into our solar system, and share stories with us in our J. Watumull Planetarium! Stargazing on the Great Lawn with the Hawaiian Astronomical Society after the show, weather permitting.

Looking past April, Bishop Museum is also excited to preview the following upcoming exhibits and public programs in 2025:

- May 3, 2025 | Celebrate Micronesia Festival
- May 24, 2025 | New Exhibit – *Expedition Dinosaur: Into the Deep*
- May 31, 2025 | New Signature Gallery – Bishop Museum Keiki Garden
- May 31, 2025 | Science & Sustainability Festival 2025

Bishop Museum also holds [Daily Programs](#) for all guests, as well as in-person [J. Watumull Planetarium](#) shows. Its [Signature Galleries](#) include Hawaiian Hall, Pacific Hall, Picture Gallery, Abigail Kinoiki Kekaulike Kāhili Room, Nā Ulu o Kaiwi‘ula Native Hawaiian Garden, Richard T. Mamiya Science Adventure Center, and Campus Murals. For more information, please visit [BishopMuseum.org](#).

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

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.

To learn more about the Museum’s research, collections, exhibits, and programs, visit [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.

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.

Past news releases can be viewed and downloaded at BishopMuseum.org/NewsRoom.



www.bishopmuseum.org/planetarium

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★ 1st Magnitude ● 2nd Magnitude
 • 3rd Magnitude ■ 4th Magnitude
 ● Planets

Star/Planet
Greco-Roman

- 1 Find north in the sky by using the Big Dipper.
- 2 Face north and hold the sky map directly in front of you with 'Ākau (North) at the bottom.
- 3 Look for stars in the northern sky.
- 4 To view other parts of the sky, turn to that direction and hold the sky map with that same direction at the bottom.



Hawai'i's Sky Tonight

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This Star Map is set for the latitude of O'ahu (21° N), but can be used for other Hawaiian islands, from Hawai'i (19° N) to Kaua'i (22° N).

VIEWING TIMES FOR STAR MAP

10 PM
Early
Month

9 PM
Mid-
Month

8 PM
Late
Month

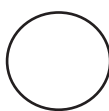
APRIL MOON PHASES

WELO/IKIIKI
'EPAKI MAHINA



FIRST
4/4

'OLE KŪ LUA
*A poor time for
fishing and planting.*



FULL
4/12

MĀHEALANI
*An excellent time for
fishing and planting.*



LAST
4/20

KĀLOA KŪ KAHĪ
*A good time for fishing
and planting.*



NEW
4/27

HILO
*An excellent time for
fishing, not planting.*

Hawaiian lunar phases courtesy of Kamehameha Publishing lunar calendar.

NĀHIKU

Nāhiku is the Hawaiian name for the northern celestial asterism Big Dipper. In 'ōlelo Hawai'i, hiku or 'ehiku refers to the number seven, an easy connection to the seven stars that make up Nāhiku. Nāhiku is essential in celestial navigation as a pointer to Hōkūpa'a, also known as the North Star, to the North Celestial Pole, and to the zenith star of Hawai'i, Hōkūle'a, also called Arcturus. The next time you look up into the night sky, try to find Hōkūpa'a or Hōkūle'a using Nāhiku.

HAWAIIAN LUNAR MONTH

"There were 360 days in a year. Ka po'e kahiko counted 30 days in each month of the 12 months of the year. There were 17 nights that were counted in groups and 12 counted separately, according to the phases of the moon."

—Samuel Mānaiakalani Kamakau, 1870

HAWAIIAN STAR & CONSTELLATION NAMES

Arcturus: Hōkūle'a ("Star of Joy")

Auriga: Hōkūlei ("Lei of Stars")

Crux (Southern Cross): Hānaiakamalama ("Cared for by the Moon")

Gemini: Nāmāhoe ("The Twins")

Polaris: Hōkūpa'a ("Stationary Star")

Procyon: Puana ("Blossom")*

Sirius: 'A'ā ("Burning Brightly")

Spica: Hikianalia (A navigation guide star)

*The modern Hawaiian name for Procyon is based on the Māori "Puanga-hori."