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**Bishop Museum Invites Local ‘Ohana and Visitors
to a Concert Under the Stars on Its Great Lawn**

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Honolulu, Hawai‘i — [Bishop Museum](#), the State of Hawai‘i Museum of Natural and Cultural History, presents [Mele After Hours](#), a concert under the stars on Friday, Aug. 14 from 5-9 p.m. on its Great Lawn.

This special evening will celebrate the richness of Hawai‘i’s musical heritage and feature multiple Nā Hōkū Hanohano Award-winning performers. The outstanding lineup includes **‘Uhe‘uhene**, known for their joyful island-style blend of traditional Hawaiian music and local favorites; **Ei Nei**, an award-winning trio celebrated for their rich harmonies and fresh approach to Hawaiian music; and **Kala‘e and Kalena Parish**, the acclaimed husband-and-wife duo whose award-winning performances seamlessly combine Hawaiian tradition, original songwriting, and contemporary country influences.

The evening also features legendary island band **Kapena**, whose signature sound and decades-long career have made them one of Hawai‘i’s most beloved musical groups, along with the beautiful hula of **Hālau Hi‘iakaināmakalehua**, whose talented dancers uplift Hawaiian culture, language, and tradition through their artistry. Beloved local personality **Mele Apana** returns as host, guiding the evening’s festivities with her signature warmth, humor, and aloha.

“Bishop Museum exists to preserve and perpetuate the history, culture, and natural history of Hawai‘i and the Pacific, but just as important is creating opportunities for people to experience that history together,” said Brandon Bunag, Ed.D., Bishop Museum vice president of public programs and interim director of education. “Mele After Hours brings our community onto the Museum campus to enjoy incredible local artists while celebrating the traditions, stories, and connections that continue to shape Hawai‘i.”

Bishop Museum’s galleries will remain open until 7 p.m., and food and beverages will be available for purchase from local vendors. No coolers. Lawn chairs and mats okay. Tickets are \$20 for adults, with free admission for children 13 and under; Bishop Museum Members enjoy a discounted rate of \$15. More

information and tickets can be found on the Museum's website, BishopMuseum.org.

Bishop Museum expresses its appreciation for Kona Brewing Company, Hawaiian Telcom, Waiākea, and ProService Hawaii for its support of the Museum After Hours series of public programming.

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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.

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