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

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

March sees the return of the 17th Annual Mālama Hāloa Kalo Festival & Symposium. This year’s programming spans three days, culminating in a campuswide festival on March 2, 2025. Also, explore our new exhibit, *Wayfinders: He Wa‘a He Moku, He Moku He Wa‘a, We Are One and the Same*, as Hōkūle‘a, Hawai‘i’s legendary voyaging canoe, turns 50! Celebrate this milestone with Bishop Museum and the Polynesian Voyaging Society in an evening of special programming at Museum After Hours on March 14.

March 2025

- Grand Opening on March 14, 2025 | 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!”
- “Eyes on Island Earth”
- “Ngā Tohunga Whakātere: The Navigators”
- “Edge of Darkness”

- [March 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.

- Sunday, March 2, 2025, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. | Public Program
[17th Annual Mālama Hāloa Kalo Festival & Symposium](#)
Throughout the Museum campus.

Free admission.

The Mālama Hāloa Kalo Festival & Symposium is an opportunity to learn about the cultural significance of kalo, the importance of kalo today, the different varieties and how to take care of them. Every year, the Festival spotlights a specific ‘ohana kalo, and this year, we celebrate kalo ‘apuwai. This year’s programming spans three days, culminating in a campuswide festival on March 2, 2025.

Gather with kalo farmers, artists, cultural practitioners, natural science researchers, and community educators at the culminating festival to share knowledge and celebrate Native Hawaiian kalo varieties. There will be guest speakers, live music, community partners, activity booths, huli giveaways, food tastings, and community conversation.

- Friday, March 14, 2025, 5-9 p.m. | Public Program
[Museum After Hours: Hōkūle‘a’s 50th Birthday | E Ola Mau](#)
Throughout the Museum campus.

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

Hōkūle‘a, Hawai‘i’s legendary voyaging canoe, is turning 50! Celebrate this milestone with Bishop Museum and the Polynesian Voyaging Society at Museum After Hours. Take part in a special evening of programs, including tributes, presentations, tours, and educational activities.

First launched on March 8, 1975, Hōkūle‘a has served as a symbol of resilience, revival, cultural pride, environmental stewardship, peace, and hope for half a century. This celebration is more

than a birthday — it's an honoring of the work that forged Hōkūle'a's creation and a call to action for the future.

- Saturday, March 15, 2025, 10-11 a.m. | Public Program
[Kanikapila ma Kaiwi'ula](#)
Nā Ulu 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 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, March 19, 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, March 19, 2025, 5-8 p.m. | Public Program
[Grow Aloha: Plant Pick-up](#)
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, March 21, 2025, 6-7 p.m. and 7:30-8:30 p.m. | Event
[The Stars Tonight: Trivia Dome](#)
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! For March's program, enter our Trivia Dome and test yourself with quiz questions spanning topics such as astronomy, natural sciences, and pop culture. Stargazing on the Great Lawn with the Hawaiian Astronomical Society begins following the first show, weather permitting.

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

- May 2025 | New Exhibit – *Expedition Dinosaur: Into the Deep*
- May 2025 | Celebrate Micronesia Festival
- May 2025 | New Signature Gallery – Bishop Museum Keiki Garden
- May 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](https://www.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](https://www.bishopmuseum.org/NewsRoom).



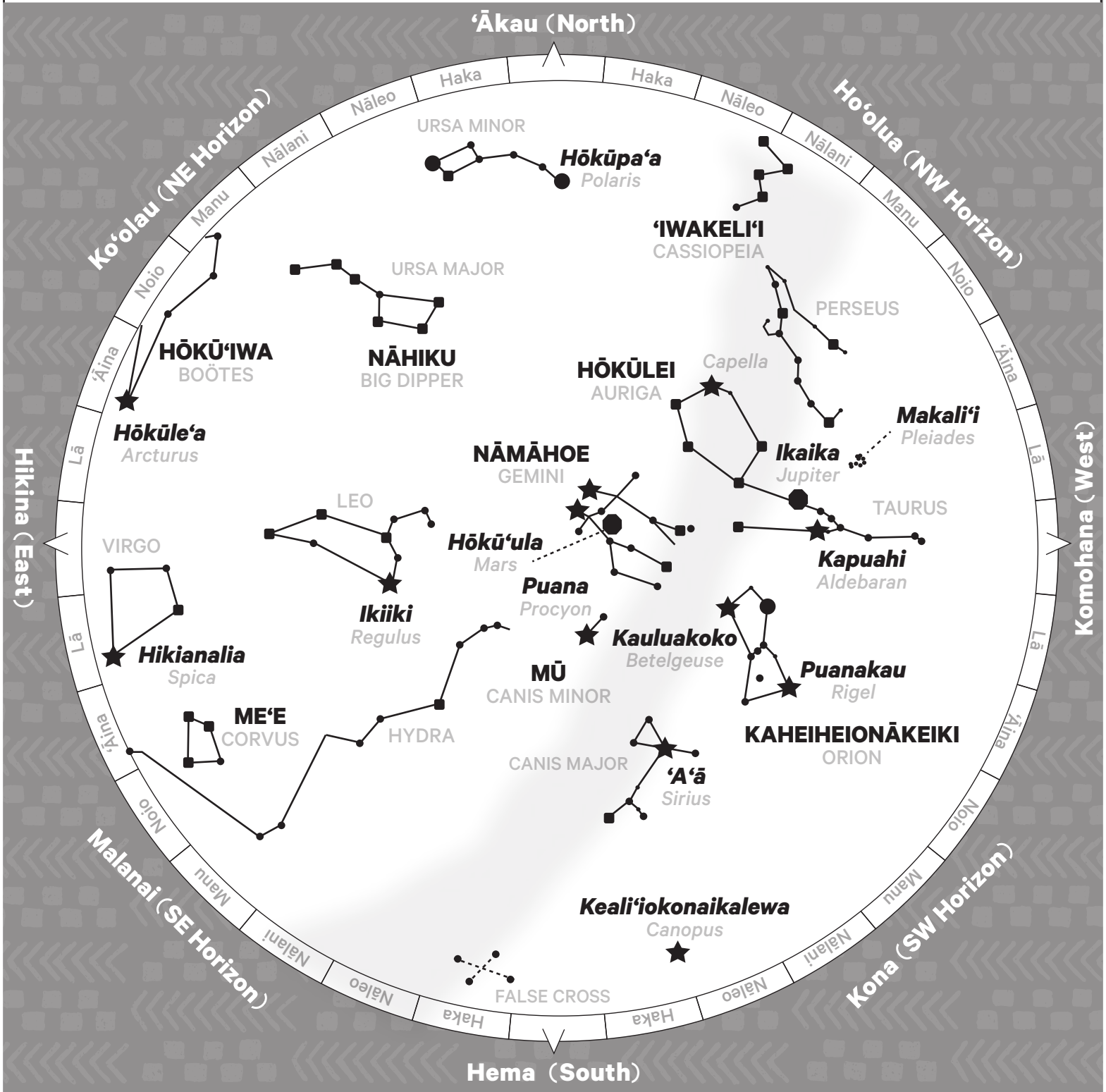
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Hawai'i's Sky Tonight

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STAR MAP KEY

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

CONSTELLATION Star/Planet
Hawaiian Greco-Roman

HOW TO USE BISHOP MUSEUM'S STAR MAP

- 1 Find north in the sky by using the Big Dipper or Cassiopeia constellations.
- 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

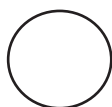
9 PM
Mid-
Month

8 PM
Late
Month

MARCH MOON PHASES



FIRST
3/6



FULL
3/13



LAST
3/22



NEW
3/29

NANA / WELO
‘EPAKI MAHINA

‘OLE KŪ KOLU
*A poor time for
fishing and planting.*

MĀHEALANI
*An excellent time for
fishing and planting.*

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

HOAKA
*A good time for fishing,
poor for planting.*

Hawaiian lunar phases courtesy of Kamehameha Publishing lunar calendar.

TOTAL LUNAR ECLIPSE March 13, 2025

Expected around 8:30-9:30 p.m. HST

Lunar eclipses occur when the Moon, Earth, and Sun align in a way that the Moon passes through Earth's shadow. This occurs during the full moon phase, when the Moon is located on the opposite side of the Earth from the Sun. The Moon appears differently during a lunar eclipse depending on whether it is passing through the penumbra or umbra portion of Earth's shadow. Look for the Moon's reddish color as it moves through the umbra during the total lunar eclipse.

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

Aldebaran: Kapuahi ("Fireplace")

Auriga: Hōkūlei ("Lei of Stars")

Canopus: Keali'iokonaikalewa ("The Chief of the Southern Skies")

Cassiopeia: 'Iwakeli'i ("The Great Frigatebird")

Gemini: Nāmāhoe ("The Twins")

Pleiades: Makali'i ("Little Eyes")

Polaris: Hōkūpa'a ("Stationary Star")

Sirius: 'A'a ("Burning Brightly")