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Bishop Museum Presents Its Annual E Ulu A Pa‘a Auction

*Online fundraiser supports the mission, staff, and work of Bishop Museum
and features exclusive Museum experiences*

Honolulu, Hawai‘i — [Bernice Pauahi Bishop Museum](#), the State of Hawai‘i Museum of Natural and Cultural History, is pleased to once again present E Ulu A Pa‘a, an 11-day online auction supporting the mission, staff, and work of Bishop Museum. The event will feature exclusive Museum experiences, from private tours of the Museum’s vast Cultural and Natural Science collections, to a pizza party and lava pour demonstration in the Museum’s volcano!

E Ulu A Pa‘a will be held from 3 p.m. HST Thursday, Aug. 15 to 9 p.m. HST Sunday, Aug. 25, 2024, online at <https://BishopMuseum.cbo.io>.

“Our entire Bishop Museum ‘Ohana shares our sincere mahalo for the community’s continued support of Hawai‘i’s Museum,” said Janet Bullard, Bishop Museum vice president of advancement and marketing communications, and acting director of government relations. “It is an exciting time for us as we prepare new, original exhibitions for our guests, as well as exciting new programming featuring noted cultural practitioners and leaders in the effort to protect our Islands’ precious biodiversity. It is through your support and kōkua that we are able to continue our important work of protecting, preserving, and perpetuating the history, culture, and natural environment of Hawai‘i and the Pacific.”

Participants will be able to bid online or via text on curated experiences and one-of-a-kind items, including:

Private Tours of Bishop Museum’s Cultural and Natural Science Collections

It’s said that a visitor may only experience a small percentage of the more than 25 million cultural objects, printed materials, and natural science specimens in Bishop Museum’s vast collections. Five behind-the-scenes opportunities to explore beyond the Museum’s exhibits and galleries are up for bid, with access to not only the collections but also to the Museum staff who care for them.

Custom Five-course Meal With Executive Chef Kevin Nakata

Recipients will enjoy an intimate culinary experience in the comfort of their own home, compliments of SSA Group. Former Waialae Country Club, Hawai‘i Convention Center, and Royal Hawaiian Hotel chef Kevin Nakata will design a custom five-course private dinner for six.

“Life Of The Land: Mauna Loa Eruption 2022” by Leslie Gleim

This framed fine art aerial photograph depicts the 2022 eruption of Mauna Loa on Hawai‘i Island, the largest active volcano in the world. The print measures 22” x 29.5” without its frame, and comes with a Certificate of Authenticity.

Custom Tenor Papaya ‘Ukulele With Case by Mike Chock

Donated by Mike Chock, founder of the ‘Ukulele Guild of Hawai‘i, this custom tenor papaya ‘ukulele has an 18” scale length and features a hand plate made from Mauna Loa koa wood.

Tahitian Pearl Set: Necklace and Bracelet

Compliments of Leighton Lam Designs, the high-quality pearls in this set average 10 mm in diameter, and are sourced directly from a multi-generational family pearl farm in Tahea, Tahiti. The set includes a Surf Necklace with a 16-18” chain, and a Slider Bracelet with an adjustable length up to 8.75.”

Koa Wood Automatic Watch

Donated by KoaWood Ranch, this elegant piece features a fine Hawaiian koa wood case and link strap, steel hardware, a black bezel, and silver Roman numerals on a deep purple face. For a luxe touch, the watch is set with gold and silver mechanics that are displayed in a visible skeleton window and a see-through skeleton case-back.

Royal Hawaiian Getaway

Compliments of Kyo-ya Hotels & Resorts, this exclusive package includes a two-night stay in a Historic Garden Suite at the Royal Hawaiian Resort, along with valet parking and a four-course dinner for two at the world-class Azure Restaurant.

First Guide to Bishop Museum, Dated 1903

Donated by Rare Books Honolulu, this is a copy of the first guide published for Bishop Museum in 1903, written by the Museum’s first director, William T. Brigham.

To register for E Ulu A Pa‘a, explore, and bid, please visit <https://BishopMuseum.cbo.io>.

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.

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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.

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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