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Bishop Museum Presents the 2024 Science & Sustainability Festival

Held the Saturday before Earth Day, the Festival brings together Museum scientists, educators, cultural practitioners, and more than 30 community partners to highlight the ongoing work needed to protect our islands' biodiversity and build a sustainable future for Hawai'i.

Honolulu, Hawai'i — [Bernice Pauahi Bishop Museum](#), the State of Hawai'i Museum of Natural and Cultural History, invites local 'ohana and visitors to a fun, family friendly day of science and cultural education. The 2024 Science & Sustainability Festival will be held on Saturday, April 20 and brings together Museum scientists, educators, cultural practitioners, and more than 30 community partners to highlight the ongoing work needed to protect our islands' biodiversity and build a sustainable future for Hawai'i.

The Festival will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and will feature keiki activities, special presentations and performances, and more than 40 booths throughout Bishop Museum's 15-acre campus, plus exhibition highlights, live music, and food and drink vendors on its Great Lawn. Admission is just \$5.00 for kama'āina and military with ID, and provides access to all Festival events and programs as well as Bishop Museum's galleries and exhibitions.

Highlights of the Science & Sustainability Festival include a new outdoor Seed Bank with artwork by Ran Noveck; specimens from Bishop Museum's animal and plant collections; the return of NOAA's 45-foot inflatable whale; and two keynote presentations focusing on:

- lessons learned from the 2023 Maui wildfires
- celebrating Makahiki o Nā Manu Nahele, the Year of the Forest Birds.

"Bishop Museum is excited to once again present our popular Science & Sustainability Festival. This year we're featuring more than 40 booths guests can explore, with more than 30 community partners representing science, culture, sustainability, and conservation efforts," said Taylour Chang, Bishop Museum director of public programs and community partnerships. "We invite families and visitors of all ages to come learn, play, and enjoy all the activities we're sharing with our community on the Saturday before Earth Day."

See below for a full listing of the Science & Sustainability Festival's booths and community partners. The Festival's full schedule and access to tickets can be found at BishopMuseum.org/SSF24. Please contact Lance

Aquino at Stryker Weiner & Yokota Public Relations, Inc. for interview opportunities with Museum and Ka Makahiki o Nā Manu Nahele representatives, as well as pre-event access to the Museum's Seed Bank and NOAA's 45-foot inflatable whale (subject to scheduling and availability).

2024 Science & Sustainability Festival Booths

Bishop Museum Natural Science Booths:

- Botany & Bishop Museum's Seed Bank
- Ichthyology
- Invertebrate Zoology
- Malacology
- Marine Malacology
- Pacific Center for Molecular Biodiversity
- Vertebrate Zoology

Community Partner Booths:

- Algal Biodiversity Laboratory – University of Hawaii at Manoa
- Birds Not Mosquitos
- Board of Water Supply
- City Nature Challenge
- Coconut Rhinoceros Beetle Response
- Conservation Council for Hawai'i
- Dancers Unlimited
- Friends of Hawaiian Islands NWR
- Hawai'i Audubon Society
- Hawai'i Botanical Society
- Hawaii Department of Transportation Storm Water Management Program
- Hawai'i DLNR Division of Forestry & Wildlife
- Hawai'i Energy
- Hawai'i Forest Institute & Grow Good Hawaii
- Hawai'i Green Growth
- Hawaii Pacific University Center for Marine Debris Research
- Hawaii Wildlife Ecology Lab – University of Hawai'i
- Inouye Regional Center Education and Outreach
- International Tsunami Information Center
- Kaua'i Forest Bird Recovery Project
- Ko'olau Mountains Watershed Partnership
- Laukahi: The Hawaii Plant Conservation Network
- Maui Forest Bird Recovery Project
- Mālama Maunalua
- National Weather Service
- O'ahu Water Protectors & Ka Lāhui Hawai'i
- Oikonos Ecosystem Knowledge
- Pacific Islands Fisheries Science Center
- Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument
- Plant Extinction Prevention Program
- Protect & Preserve Hawai'i
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- UH Mānoa Ka Mea Kolo Entomology Club
- University of Hawai'i Sea Grant College Program

- Waialua Estate
- Waianae Mountains Watershed Partnership
- Western Pacific Fishery Management Council

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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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