



# Cooper Center's Volcano Community News



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## Experience Volcano Festival

The 4th Annual Experience Volcano Festival is returning on July 29th and 30th throughout the Volcano Area from 10am to 4pm!

Festivities will span the entire Volcano Area with a concentration of activities in the heart of historic Volcano Village. Restaurants will be featuring special menus and drink options alongside their everyday menus.

Everyone is encouraged to visit all six festival locations. Get your map/schedule stamped to be eligible for our special drawing with prizes that include art, gift certificates, spa treatments and more!

Artists will be demonstrating their talents, runners will be on the road and musicians will be at Lava Rock Cafe, Kilauea Lodge, Volcano Art Center, and Volcano Winery! We are also proud to feature over 40 local vendors that offer locally made products and goodies. Take the time to get to know the Volcano Area through winery and rain-forest tours, paper-making, exhibits, music and Hawaiian hula for everyone to enjoy!

So mark your calendars now for this FREE family friendly event that offers locals and visitors the opportunity to Experience Volcano Hawaii!

To find out more and to get up to date information please visit [www.experiencevolcano.com](http://www.experiencevolcano.com). We look forward to seeing you as we celebrate the unique experiences of Volcano Hawaii!



## Cooper Center Community Pantry News

The next drive through food pantry is on Wednesday, July 26th from 9:30-11:00am.

We could use tuna and canned vegetable donations.

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Catholic Sunday Mass  
St. Theresa's in Mt. View  
5:30 pm on Saturday  
10:00 am on Sunday

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New Hope Christian Fellowship  
Hilo Side of Akatsuka Orchids  
Sunday Svc. 8:30am  
Pastor Ray Glory, Jr.  
Pastor Jason Morton  
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The Village Church  
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Society of Friends (Quakers)  
Royal Hawaiian Estates  
Every Sunday at 2 pm  
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The Baha'i Faith / Mauna Loa Est.  
6-7 pm Tuesdays  
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## Rainfall in Inches for the Month of May 2023

**Volcano Golf Course**      **4.85**  
data collected by Janis Hamersma

**Volcano Village**      **8.41**  
data collected by Jim Bush

**Mauna Loa Est.**      **10.61**  
data collected by JJ Jasinski

**Royal Hawn Est.**      **12.5**  
data collected by Tom Pico

**Fern Forest**      **12.97**  
data collected by Drew Kapp

**Ohia Estates**      **12.21**  
data collected by Phil Haysmer

## NOAA Predicts Busy **VERT** 2023 Pacific Hurricane Season



**T**he National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) released their 2023 central Pacific hurricane season outlook on May 25, stating there is a 50-percent chance of above normal hurricane activity.

Due to a strengthening El Niño (discussed in last month's issue), four to seven tropical cyclones are expected for the central Pacific/Hawai'i region. A "normal" season usually sees four to five tropical cyclones. Tropical cyclones include not only hurricanes, but also tropical storms and tropical depressions, all of which can cause substantial damage and potentially life-threatening conditions. The prediction is not a forecast, but a broad scale outlook based on developing and anticipated conditions.

In a NOAA press release, Chris Brenchley, director of NOAA's Central Pacific Hurricane Center, states, "The last few hurricane seasons have been pretty quiet around Hawai'i, luring some folks to let their guard down. Now it's looking like this season will be more active than the past several years. It's more important than ever to review your emergency plan and supply kit now, so you will be prepared for the next hurricane threat."

Hurricane season began on June 1st and continues through November 30. If historic trends hold true for this year, most activity will occur mid- to late summer. However, as seen recently with the devastating impacts of Typhoon Mawar on Guam (and it didn't even make a direct hit to the island), tropical cyclone formation can occur earlier or later than predicted. Unprecedented warming of sea surface temperatures is making for more frequent and stronger storm systems.

This prediction may sound scary, but if you calmly and methodically make preparations ahead of time it will go a long way towards relieving any storm anxiety. There is a wealth of information online and elsewhere about storm preparation, which will be the subject of next month's article. The Volcano Emergency Response Team (VERT) has been gearing up for hurricane season, and is ready to activate should the Volcano area be cut off from outside help during and after a tropical cyclone. If you are elderly, use life-sustaining medical devices, live alone, or are in any other way vulnerable during a disaster, please register on VERT's Vulnerable Resident List by emailing VERT Commander Doug Wilson at [douscelle@aol.com](mailto:douscelle@aol.com) and the VERT team at [verthawaii@gmail.com](mailto:verthawaii@gmail.com).

*Sincerely, a long time Volcano resident*



## Volcano Seniors July 2023 Calendar

**July 4<sup>th</sup>**- Cooper Center  
Celebration

**July 6** – Business Mtg,  
Games, Potluck

**July 13** – Games, potluck

**July 20** – Bingo, Potluck,  
Games

**July 27** – Ground Golf,  
Bocce Ball at Pahala club,

**T**he Volcano Senior's Club meets every Thursday morning at Cooper Center from 9-12.

# 741 Volunteer Work Hours — and still counting



**A**round Hawaii, the Rotary Club of Volcano has a reputation as the little club that could.

With less than two dozen active members, the club contributed a total of 741 hours of volunteer work throughout the community last year. Where did all that effort go? Here are some of the projects that we helped with in the last 12 months.

Community food pantry packing and delivering, monthly Adopt a Highway cleanups, cleaning and planting at the Volcano Store garden kipuka, helping set up and take down the big tents at the Fourth of July celebration and marching in the parade, joining the celebration of the new Peace Pole in Pahala. Hosting a food booth at Experience Volcano, setting out flags in the community on major holidays as well raising and lowering the big garrison flag at Kilauea Military Camp on those days, distributing books and dictionaries to students in nearby schools, and working with visiting Rotary members who came to help clear invasive ginger in the National Park.

Got something you need a hand with? We still have lots of energy to take on other public service projects. Just reach out to us with your suggestions and we'll see what we can do to help.



Girls Scouts from across the state joined Rotary Club of Volcano members at a flag-raising ceremony at Kilauea Military Camp on Memorial Day, just one of the regular events that club members help with.

Our regular meetings are at 8 a.m. on the first and third Thursdays of each month at Volcano Art Center. Feel free to join us then.

*Submitted by Mike Leidemann*

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### SUNDAY WALK IN THE PARK – EXPLORING MAUNA ULU & PU'UHULUHULU

Sunday, July 9, 2023 - 10:00 am to 1:00 pm

This monthly program on second Sundays is aimed at bringing together the members of the Friends of Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park to explore the park's beautiful trails. This month we will explore Mauna Ulu and Pu'uuhuluhulu.

Experience a lava landscape from the 1969-1974 Mauna Ulu flow. Walk by lava tree molds and climb 210 feet (64m) to the top of a forested cinder cone, Pu'uuhuluhulu (hairy hill). View Mauna Ulu's steaming shield, which is similar to the Pu'u 'Ō'ō cone in the distance. On a clear day you can see Mauna Loa, Mauna Kea and the Pacific Ocean.

Of interest: Pāhoehoe and 'a'ā lava, kīpuka (old land surrounded by new land), lava tree molds, cinder cones, lava rampart, native pioneer plants and trees and panoramic vista.

Sturdy footwear, water, raingear, sun protection, and a snack are recommended.

This event is presented by the Friends of Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Program cost is \$5.00 for Friends members. Non-members are welcome to join the Friends in order to attend. And, of course, additional donations are always accepted. Park entrance fees apply.

Please check [https://www.fhvn.org/events/sw\\_20230709/](https://www.fhvn.org/events/sw_20230709/) for updates and for more information about this event.

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## ALOHA KAKOU!

Pop your crackers over to July's Volcano Craft/Swap/Art Meets held 2nd Saturday July 8th from 8AM to 1PM & switched this month to 5th Saturday from 8AM to 2PM to coincide with the Experience Volcano event. Held at Cooper Center in the Magical Heart of Volcano Village on Wright Road.

Come visit Volcano for a wonderful experience. Browse, eat, or shop till you drop. Featuring local items, ono-licious grinds, live music, great shopping, & good fun.

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Have a Happy & Safe 4th of July Celebration.

Auntie Frances Roberts-Bennett





# THE VOICE

NEWS FROM THE VOLCANO COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

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JULY

## RENEW VOLCANO PARK!!!

Visitors to Volcano may not fathom the depth of effort and care that has gone into our beloved Cooper Center since its original dedication in 1987. What's more, they may not realize that prior to the Cooper Center, the idea of a community park for Volcano has had a long life.

Indeed, the first calls for a Volcano Park came right after WWII, through the once thriving Kilauea Volcano Recreation Club. Over the intervening decades, a wide range of civic groups all took up the cause—including Volcano Farmer's Association, Keakealani School PTA, Volcano Kumiai, Volcano Lions Club, and Volcano Seniors Association.

However, it was only with the founding in 1980 of Hui 'O Volcano, later the Volcano Community Association, that the longtime dream of Volcano—to have a place, a Volcano Park, to increase the quality of life for its residents and visitors alike—got on track to completion.

Along the way, as with most long held dreams, a range of stories have played out that we might now learn from, as we look to what the possible future of Volcano Park may hold.

For instance, few realize that in 1975 the County appropriated \$241K (or \$1.35M in 2023 dollars) for the full build-out of the 10

acre Volcano Park, including volleyball, basketball and tennis courts, and a baseball field (ie Master Plan #1). However, due to the community being unable to agree what site to use—the funding lapsed—never truly to return.

After a fresh look at Volcano Park (ie Master Plan #2) some funding did come through, albeit a decade later, Volcano accepted just \$65,000 in its place due to County budget constraints at the time. Instead volunteering to do everything else itself, including clearing the land, constructing the building, even hiring the architect—but limited their focus to just the building itself.

## 2023 ANNUAL 4TH OF JULY PARADE!

Come join us  
Tuesday, July 4th at 9:00am  
Start: Post Office  
End: Cooper Center

Celebrate Independence Day and enjoy the thriving community spirit of Volcano! Thanks to all our past and current participants and supporters!!!



## Renew Volcano Park *(continued)*

While this unprecedented community effort forged a remarkable spirit within the lifeblood of Volcano that lives on to this day, it was perhaps also rendered bittersweet when the same year the County approved \$583K (\$1.55M in 2023 dollars) for a similar size community center in Pahala.

This 1981 master plan was then followed in 1994 by yet another master plan for Volcano Park (ie Master Plan #3), now also including an indoor swimming pool, 11K sq ft enclosed multipurpose building, workshop/craft center, hula pavilion etc. But only Carlson Court was ever completed.

So when we review this history I think what we see is the following: 1) without community alignment funding means little and significant opportunities are lost, 2) with community alignment even a very small budget can go a very long way, 3) so with community alignment and a significant budget at the same time, there is every reason to believe we can realize the longstanding dream of a true full-service Volcano Park for Volcano's whole population. Young and old and everything in between. This is why I say, "Renew Volcano Park!!!"

### VCA COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE: Together anything is possible!

#### James Sutton

2023 Community Services  
Coordinator

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**Pā Ka Leo:** The Voice of Our Community  
is Our Community of Voices!



The Volcano Community Association represents Volcano Village, Volcano Farm Lots, Cymbidium Acres, Mauna Loa Estates, Ohī'a Estates, Volcano Golf Course, Royal Hawaiian Estates and Hawai'ian Orchid Isle Estates.

"The Voice" is published by the VCA Board of Directors: Scott Fossel, James Morgan, James Sutton, Mahi Snell, Sherrie Galdeira, Elaine Lee, Daniel Morimoto and Ida May Gager. Questions? Comments? Feedback? Concerns? Call, text or email Scott directly at [scott.fossel@gmail.com](mailto:scott.fossel@gmail.com) or 510-414-4478. We always want to hear from you!

## A NOTE FROM OUR COMMUNITY SERVICES COORDINATOR

I am really excited to be a member of the VCA Board and especially with the opportunity to find new ways to improve our opportunities for youth engagement! As our community changes demographically and expands its youth footprint, finding meaningful ways to engage our youth on multiple levels is going to be more and more important.

I am looking forward to working with all community members on finding ways to make these connections happen. Let's find ways to improve the community for our young people!

- James Sutton



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# HISTORIC HOMES TOURS

Volcano Community Foundation will offer two historic homes tours during the upcoming Experience Volcano Festival.

On Saturday July 29 participants will have the opportunity to visit the Shipman "Mountain" House to get an up-close look at some of the architectural details and how the structure was modified over the years. There will also be an opportunity to learn a bit about the family and their history on the island. From the Shipman House the group will walk to Bide-a-Wee to stroll through the Japanese garden designed by A. T. Yamamoto and learn about the current owner's reforestation efforts.

The Sunday July 30 tour will be a walking tour on Hale Ohia Road, one of Volcano's first areas to be developed. The street has a plantation inspired cottage, a Craftsman bungalow, a plantation-style manager's home, a simple rectangular home with protected lanai, and one of the earliest log cabins known to be built in Hawaii.

Tours start at 11:30am and tickets may be purchased beginning at 10:00am from the Volcano Community Foundation booth in front of Kilauea Lodge. Cost is \$20 per person and space is limited.

Please note that there is no parking available at the Shipman House or on Hale Ohia Road. Participants must find parking elsewhere and walk to the starting location.

*submitted by Volcano Community Foundation*



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# Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park July 2023



All events are free, but entrance fees may apply. Some programs are sponsored by Friends of Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park and Hawai'i Pacific Parks Association. Programs are subject to change or cancellation without notice. Check the park calendar for more information.

**Birds Not Mosquitoes: Wolbachia to the Rescue.** Hawaiian honeycreepers have been called the “jewels of the forest,” and at one time there were over 55 species of these native forest birds. Deeply linked to Hawaiian culture, just 17 species remain with six listed as critically endangered. Dr. Chris Farmer, Hawai'i program director for the American Bird Conservancy, shares new hope: mosquito “birth control” to prevent avian malaria. Wolbachia bacteria is used around the world to help protect people from deadly mosquito-borne illness, and will be used in Hawai'i to protect Hawaiian forest birds from avian malaria. Part of Hawai'i Volcanoes' ongoing After Dark in the Park programs and sponsored by the Friends of Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Free, but park entrance fees apply. **When:** Tuesday, July 11 at 7 p.m. **Where:** Kīlauea Visitor Center auditorium

**Learn to Make Tī Leaf Lei.** Join park rangers and Hawai'i Pacific Parks Association staff who will demonstrate how to make one of the most popular and traditional lei in Hawai'i from tī leaves. Make and wear your own lei! Part of Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park's ongoing 'Ike Hana No'eau (Experience the Skillful Work) Hawaiian cultural programs, and co-sponsored by Hawai'i Pacific Parks Association and the Friends of Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Free, but park entrance fees apply. **When:** Wednesday, July 12 from 10 a.m. to noon **Where:** 'Ōhi'a Wing (across Crater Rim Drive from Kīlauea Visitor Center)

**The Hawaiian Volcano Observatory on Uēkahuna: A Legacy of Science.** Perched high on the rim of Uēkahuna since the late 1940s, the Hawaiian Volcano Observatory has been the hub of research and monitoring of Hawaiian volcanoes. The Reginald T. Okamura Building, constructed in 1985 and the heart of the observatory, was damaged beyond repair during the earthquakes of 2018. Join Don Swanson, who has a 55-year association with the observatory, as he takes us through the science conducted at this remarkable facility and the legacy being carried into the future. Part of Hawai'i Volcanoes' ongoing After Dark in the Park programs and sponsored by the Friends of Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Free, but park entrance fees apply. **When:** Tuesday, July 18 at 7 p.m. **Where:** Kīlauea Visitor Center auditorium

**The Hawaiian Cultural Festival is Back!** Celebrate Hawaiian culture at Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park's 39th annual Cultural Festival, held in the beautiful Kahuku Unit in Ka'ū, free! Come listen to Hawaiian and island-inspired music by renowned performers including Kenneth Makuakāne, Russell Mauga, the Kīpapa Sisters and Ka'ū favorites, Ke'aiwa. Enjoy hula performances and try your hand at traditional Hawaiian crafts. Participating hālau and practitioners will be announced next month. The 39th annual Cultural Festival will be a fun-filled, family-friendly day that shares the connection of Hawaiian people to the 'āina. Food and refreshments will be available for sale. Water, raingear, and sun protection are recommended. **When:** Saturday, July 22 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. **Where:** Kahuku is on the mauka side of Highway 11 near mile marker 70.5, a 50-minute drive south of the park's main entrance.

**Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument.** Papahānaumokuākea is the largest protected conservation area on Earth as well as a World Heritage Site. The area provides critical habitat for endangered Hawaiian monk seals, threatened Hawaiian green sea turtles, and over 14 million seabirds. Native Hawaiian cultural reconnection with these islands, and active leadership in management, has ensured this protection will last. Join Andy Collins, education coordinator with the Mokupāpapa Discovery Center in Hilo as we take a virtual visit to this amazing and remote part of Hawai'i. Part of Hawai'i Volcanoes' ongoing After Dark in the Park programs and sponsored by the Friends of Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Free, but park entrance fees apply. **When:** Tuesday, July 25 at 7 p.m. **Where:** Kīlauea Visitor Center auditorium

**Reflecting and Looking Ahead at Uēkahuna.** Jaggar Museum and the buildings once used by Hawaiian Volcano Observatory scientists at Kīlauea summit will soon be deconstructed. Join Park Ranger Mequette Gallegos and learn about the sacred landscape, Uēkahuna, on an easy guided walk and share #YourParkStory and memories of these special places. Envision a return of open space and an improved viewing area with expansive views of Kaluapele (Kīlauea caldera). No reservations required, haiku and story sharing encouraged! Free, but park entrance fees apply. **When:** Saturday, July 29 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. **Where:** Park at the former Jaggar Museum and meet in front of the restrooms.

**Stewardship at the Summit Rainforest Restoration.** Volunteer to help remove invasive, non-native plant species that prevent native plants from growing in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Wear sturdy hiking shoes and long pants. Bring a hat, rain gear, day pack, snacks and water. Gloves and tools are provided. Under 18? Parental or guardian accompaniment with written consent is required. Visit the park website for details. **When:** July 8, 14, 22 & 28. Meet at 8:45 a.m. **Where:** Meet project leaders Paul and Jane Field (Right) at Kīlauea Visitor Center on any of the above dates.

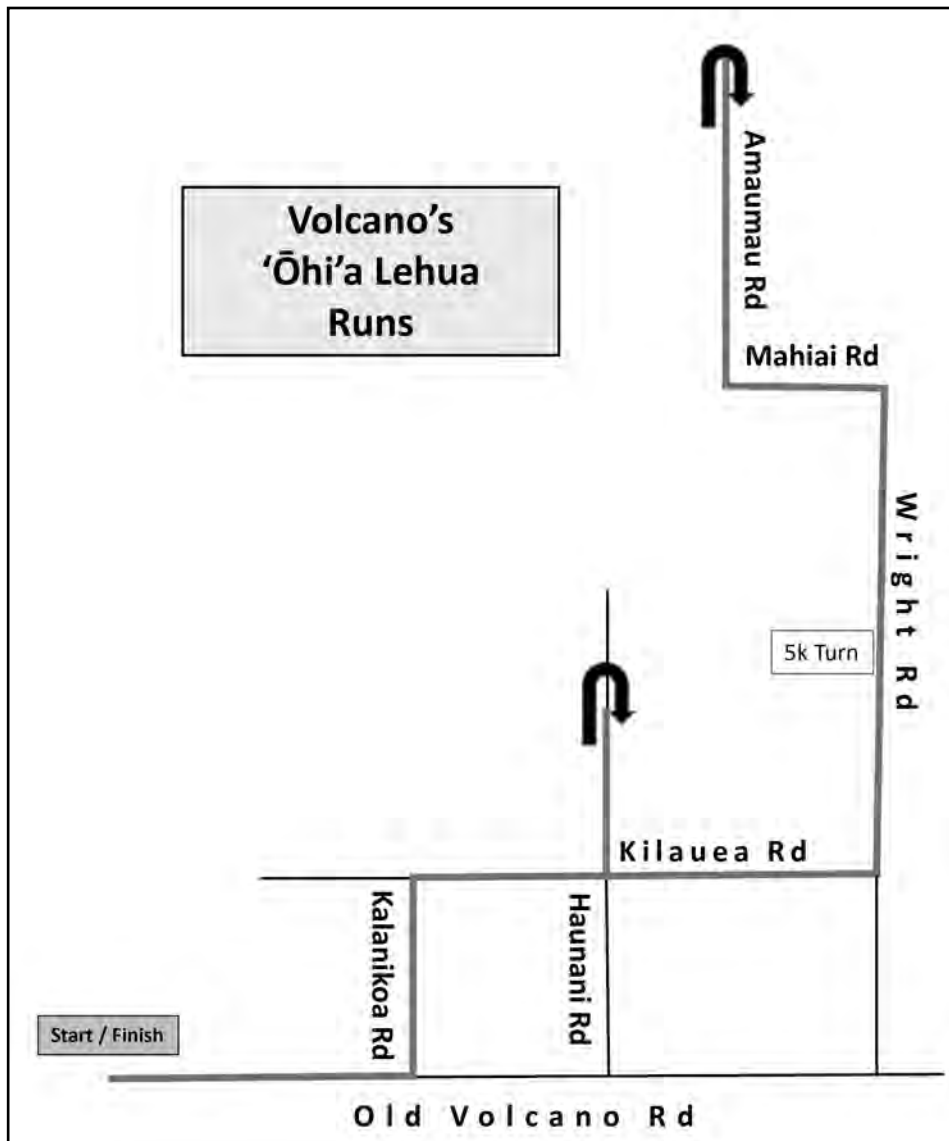


# Volcano Run-Road Closure Information for July 29<sup>th</sup>

The fourth annual Volcano's 'Ōhi'a Lehua Half Marathon and 5k will take place on Saturday, July 29<sup>th</sup>.

The race will begin at 7:00 a.m. and take runners from The Volcano School of Arts & Sciences on Old Volcano Road up Kalanikoa to Kilauea and Wright Road. Residential traffic will be permitted through the course from 7-11 a.m., but residents are encouraged to minimize traffic. There will be full road closure on Old Volcano Road from Kalanikoa Road to Highway 11 from 6:30 to 10:00 a.m.

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**Exhibition: A Celebration of 50 years Exhibiting by Daniel Van Zyle** at VAC gallery in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park continues through July 9th, 2023. The exhibit presents original paintings and lithographs from Daniel's long career of art making. Open daily from 9am – 5pm.

**Exhibition:** The Volcano Art Center is proud to announce the exhibition **Wondrous Works in Woods**. The exhibit featuring lathe-turned works of art by Aaron Hammer opens July 15th – August 20th at VAC gallery in HVNP, open daily from 9am – 5pm. A reception with the artist will take place on opening day, Saturday, July 15th from 2 – 4pm. While the exhibit is free to attend, park entry fees apply.

**Exhibition: Conversation: Spirit & Nature** opens on July 29th – August 19th, 10am – 4pm, Wednesday through Sunday at VAC Nialani Campus in Volcano Village. This exhibit is an expression of our relationship to nature through spirit.

**Poured Watercolors** - This workshop will be held on Saturday, July 8th, at the Volcano Art Center, Nialani Campus. Beginner and intermediate artists welcome. Cost for the workshop is \$75/\$70 for VAC Members plus a \$15 supply fee per person. For more information or to register call VAC at 808-967-8222

**Zentangle: Basics in Black** with Valdeane Odachi on July 8th from 10am – 1pm. This class is open to all levels, no Zentangle or art experience necessary. \$35 Class Fee or \$30 for VAC Members plus \$15 supply fee. For more information visit [www.volcanoartcenter.com](http://www.volcanoartcenter.com) or call (808) 967-8222.

Volcano Art Center's Hula Arts at Kīlauea performance series continues Saturday, July 8th with a presentation by Hālau Nā Mōhai Aloha o Ka Laua'e Pā Ola Kapu and Mountain View Elementary's hula program under the direction of Kumu Hula John Ku'ūhoamele Cuban. The performance begins at 10:30am in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. National Park entrance fees apply.

## **VOLCANO ART CENTER NEEDS YOUR PLASTIC BOTTLES!**

This summer, Volcano Art Center is hosting visiting Maori artist and environmental activist, George Nuku. His fascinating art installations require MANY #1 plastic bottles (especially blue and green). Please save yours and bring them to the rear of Nialani campus on Kalanikoa. Bins will be available adjacent to the white shipping container. Please ensure that your bottles are clean, are not crushed, and have caps on. You can view George's artworks on YouTube.

The Nialani opening of his installation entitled *Changing Oceans: Changing Minds* is August 25th. Come by in August to volunteer with George Nuku on this community art project. Text questions to Julie Williams at 808 339-1699. Mahalo for your support!

**VAC Movie Night**, featuring a collection of eight short films that range from comedic, silly, romantic, vengeful, uplifting and just plain odd. Join us on July 14th at 7pm to experience some hidden gems and even the latest Oscar and BAFTA winning short films. Your ticket includes pupu and wine paired to the film of the evening with a red and white options. As always, popcorn and non-alcoholic beverages are available to ticket holders. Tickets are limited. \$35/\$30 for (VAC member). Show time – 7 pm at VAC Nialani Campus in Volcano Village. 19-4074 Old Volcano Road, Volcano, HI 96785.

**Liko A'e Summer Camp** (2) for keiki ages 7 - 13, from July 17th – July 21st. A weeklong summer camp will be held at VAC's Nialani Campus from July 17 – July 21, 2023, from 8:30 A.M. – 2:30 P.M. The camp is open to keiki ages 7-13. The Camp will include ceramics, Hawaiian rhythms and dance, drawing, paint exploration, and Creating Ocean Creatures. Please call the Volcano Art Center for more information (808) 967- 8222. Cost: \$250 per child/ \$230 for members of VAC. Early Registration discount – \$50 off until Friday, June 23, 2023. Deadline to register is Friday, July 7, 2023. Financial scholarships are available for those in need.

The Volcano Art Center is a non-profit educational organization created in 1974 to promote, develop, and perpetuate the artistic and cultural heritage of Hawai'i's people and environment through activities in the visual, literary, and performing arts.

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