



Cooper Center's Volcano Community News



NEWSLETTER #404

MAY 2023

All newsletter submissions MUST be in by the 10th of the month. Ads placed must provide us with snail mail addresses or ad will not be placed. This Volcano Community News, published by Cooper Center Council, will reinstitute the requirement that ALL submission must be in a digital format. We will not digitize a hand written submission for anyone. If you can't do it, find someone to help you.



Volcano Run on July 29th

The fourth annual Volcano's 'Ōhi'a Lehua Run will take place this year on Saturday, July 29th at 7 a.m.! Again, we will host a half marathon and 5K distance. The race will start and finish at The Volcano School of Arts & Sciences campus on Old Volcano Road. The course will take runners from The Volcano School up Kilauea and then Wright Road. Road closures may be expected around the start of the event near The Volcano School.

The Volcano Run is excited to again be a part of the Experience Volcano Festival weekend. This year, the Festival is slated to take place on July 29th and 30th. If you haven't been before, it

is a cannot miss Volcano event with local artists, hula, musicians, food, and more.

Hawaii Island Racers would like to thank The Volcano School of Arts & Sciences, the Experience Volcano group, and the Volcano community for their continued support of the race.

Cinco de Mayo

at

Cooper Center
Fri., May 5, 2023
from 4-7pm



Cooper Center Community Pantry News

The next drive-through food pantry is on Wednesday, May 31st from 9:30-11:00am.

The Food pantry can still really use canned vegetable donations.

Contact Victoria:
cccommunitypantry@gmail.com

To register and for more information about this event, please visit <https://www.ohialehuahalf.com/>.

ALOHA KAKOU!

Treat yourself! Come join us for May's Volcano Swap Meets. Held Saturday May 13th & 27th from 8AM to 12Noonish at Cooper Center on Wright Road in the Heart of Magical Volcano Village. SHOP LOCAL!

There's ALL KINE STUFFS...both New & Used. It's Onolicious Grinds, Live Music, & LOCAL Items. Expect Handmade Crafts, Jewelry, Art, Incense, Clothing, Antiques, Honey, Plants, Produce, Koa, Writer's Group Goodies, Pet Treats & Items, Furniture... TREASURES & GIFT ITEMS GALORE!!! Thrift Store & Bookstore also open.

Good food & fun, live music, great prices. Find the PERFECT Mother's Day Gift HERE.

New vendors coming in regularly. Like 1 table? For more info or to participate, call Auntie Frances at 808-985-8646 & leave message.

Hau'oli La Makuhine!
(Happy Mother's Day!)
Have a Happy Memorial Day.

A Hui Hou, Auntie Frances Roberts-Bennett

Volcano Newsletter News Submissions

All submissions must be by email, ads, articles, and unclassifieds to Linda Ugalde kilaueatutu@gmail.com, on or before the 10th of the month prior to month it's being submitted for. All ads must also give us their snail mail address for invoicing. Articles for non regular submissions may not be over 300 words. For additional information email me or call 808-936-9705. No calls after 5pm.

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Ads: 1½" x 2½" \$30.00 per issue, with 6 month pre-payment 10% reduction (\$162) in unchanged ad. For 2½" square ads it's \$45.00 per month. For 6 months 10% reduction (\$243). Back page is \$55 and \$75 same terms. Ads are placed as submitted. It is not our job to change or fix an ad. Must be submitted in the size requested. Minimum resolution for ads is 300 dpi. Ad and payment must be received by the 10th. Clearly state if ad is being run for 1 month or if it's going to be longer. Again payment must be made by the 10th or ad will be pulled.

Checks for ads should be made out to **Cooper Center Council**, and mailed to:

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and identify ad that's being paid for.

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Hula Hounds is a Volcano Dog Rescue Mission organized & run by Sheryl, a Disabled Veteran. She rescues, rehabilitates, & re-houses stray & surrendered dogs (ililo).

Rehabilitation includes teaching dogs that all people are not bad, how to be loved, & how to be a pet. All dogs adopted from Hula Hounds are spayed/neutered, microchipped, dewormed, & have received their 1st course of vaccinations & flea treatments. Pets that are adopted have free training & advice for lifetime of the dog.

Hula Hounds is very grateful for any donations of redeemable HI-5 cans/bottles & collection bags can be supplied. ALL proceeds go towards medical supplies & food. Donations of blankets, towels, & potty pads are appreciated.

Sheryl is available for training advice & pet sitting at your home. Donations for Hula Hounds are collected weekly at the Thursday Evening Market by the yellow gate & the 2nd & 4th Saturday Swap Meets.

Hula Hounds can be found on Facebook.





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New Hope Christian Fellowship
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Rainfall in Inches for the Month of March 2023

Volcano Golf Course 14.87
data collected by Janis Hamersma

Volcano Village 20.44
data collected by Jim Bush

Mauna Loa Est. 18.94
data collected by JJ Jasinski

Royal Hawn Est. 18.35
data collected by Tom Pico

Fern Forest 20.73
data collected by Drew Kapp

Ohia Estates 16.83
data collected by Phil Haysmer

Rotary Club of Volcano May 2023 News



Hundreds of Rotarians from across the state will be gathering in Hilo this month for the group's annual district convention.

Dozens of Rotary clubs will be participating in the convention, which will be held May 19-21 at the Hilo Naniloa Hotel. The gathering is a chance for clubs across the state to share information about what they have been doing in their communities and to learn new ideas from one another,

The event features two day-long sessions, which will include more than a dozen workshops on issues of concern to Rotary members. But it's not all work: There are several social events planned, as well as excursions that will show off what the Big Island has to offer, including a golf tournament and a night-time star-watching trip to Mauna Kea.

In all, there are 1,500 Rotarians members in 53 Clubs located on five islands of Oahu, Maui, Lanai, Kauai, and Hawaii Island. And they are part of 1.2 million Rotarians around the world. That kind diversity is what gives Rotary Clubs a unique perspective on how to help out locally with a shared passion for service.

The Rotary Club of Volcano is one of the smallest in Hawaii, but it is always recognized as one that gets a lot done. If you'd like to see us in action without attending a regular meeting, join the Rotarians at Cooper Center on the last Monday and Wednesday of the month when we first prepare free bags of food and then distribute them to people throughout the community. For more information, on how to help, contact me at: mleidemann@gmail.com

Submitted by Mike Leidemann



Volcano Seniors May 2023 Calendar

May 4 – Business Mtg,
Games, Potluck

May 9 – Ukulele Festival
in Afook Chinen civic

May 11 - Games,
Potluck

May 18 – Games,
Potluck (earthquake,
presentation) (Fire
safety presentation)

May 25 – Bingo, Games,
Potluck

The Volcano Senior's Club meets every Thursday morning at Cooper Center from 9-12.

Fiber Optic Cable in the Village Now!

Several days ago, Hawaiian Telcom crews completed the Fiber Optic string around the Big Island by connecting the gap from Pahala to Volcano Village. They are actively installing Fiber in Wood Valley now, and installation is complete in Fern Acres, Fern Forest and Royal Hawaiian. Up to now, Volcano Village has been ignored (despite years of pleas) even though there are large areas without Spectrum, having only ancient, deteriorating copper connections and a very limited number of DSL connections, which are pitifully inadequate (ours provides 7 to 11 megs upload and 0.6 megs download).

Before fiber can be strung in the village, foliage and trees under the power lines corridor will have to be cut way back, but this is essential to protect the new Fiber. Please understand how vitally important and necessary fiber optic is for many of us here. We need to unite and take action now! We can start by calling Hawaiian Tel and formally requesting a hook up ASAP. Any other other ideas to pressure them and spread the word will be welcomed. We must stand and work together to make this happen. Please email Ron (roanoke13@gmail.com) with any thoughts and/or comments.

submitted by Ron McIntosh



Volcano School of Arts & Sciences

VSAS 3rd Grade Students Testify to Hawai'i State Legislators

On March 30, Kumu Laura Warner's 3rd Grade students testified via Zoom to a committee of the Hawai'i State Legislature on a bill which would designate August 8 as Hawaiian Honeycreeper Celebration Day throughout the state. In front of her classmates holding original paintings of native Hawaiian birds they'd been studying, Aubrey Carson gave articulate, impassioned testimony to the attentive legislators. As had been covered in the class, Aubrey noted that there were once 55 species of Hawaiian honeycreeper, yet now only 17 remain, and that of our 142 endemic birds, 95 have gone extinct.

"Our forests need our native birds," she told legislators. "They help our watersheds and bird droppings help spread the seeds." And without the forests, the land itself is threatened. She cited a recent class field trip to Ka Lae, where they saw first-hand the devastating effects of erosion.

The class learned that the eyes of the Hawaiian honeycreepers are especially vulnerable to mosquito bites—and that a single bite can infect a bird with avian flu, which is often fatal. Due to worldwide climate change, mosquitoes in Hawai'i are moving to higher elevations, threatening more birds

and thereby affecting the entire ecosystem.

"Without forests to catch rain, the land is subject to erosion and the destruction of the coral reef," Aubrey testified, urging the legislators to act. "We are the future of Hawai'i," she said.

The 3rd grade testimony was followed with classmates noting the status of a variety of endemic Hawaiian birds (extinct, endangered or threatened).

The VSAS class testimony earned an enthusiastic round of applause from the committee members and a special shout out from Rep. Jeanne Kapela (District 5, which now includes portions of Kea'au, and Kurtistown, Mountain View, Glenwood, Fern Forest, Volcano, Pāhala, Punalu'u, Nā'ālehu, Wai'ōhinu, Hawaiian Ocean View, and

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Ho'okena). The measure passed unanimously, with no amendments, and was sent on for a vote in the full House. If it becomes law, the state government will have formally recognized this problem and raise awareness for all of us. And this is thanks to the efforts of Kumu Warner and the 3rd grade class expressing the VSAS mission: "Learning through Volcano's unique natural and cultural resources to become creative global citizens."

Volcano School is currently accepting enrollment applications for school-year 2023-2024 for grades PreK through 12th grade with space still available in some classes. To learn more, visit www.volcanoschool.net or call 808-985-9800.





Friends of Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park Hawai'i Volcanoes Institute Presents

SUNDAY WALK IN THE PARK ON SATURDAY DUE TO MOTHERS DAY – PU'ULO A PETROGLYPHS
Saturday, May 13, 2023 - 10:00 am to 12:00 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 the Pu'uloa Petroglyphs. Participants will meet at the trailhead.

Walk in the footsteps of the kūpuna (elders) to Pu'uloa (hill of long life), a sacred and awe-inspiring gallery of ki'i pohaku (images carved in stone). These simple etchings document the life and culture of the native Hawaiian people and spiritually, cradle the piko (umbilical cord) of their children. It brought with hopes of receiving the blessings of a long and prosperous life.

Of interest: This coastal trail traverses a 500-550 year old lava field to one of Hawai'i's most extensive petroglyph fields. A site that has approximately 23,000 petroglyphs, many viewable at a boardwalk constructed for this purpose.

This event is presented by the Friends of Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Program cost is FREE 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.

The petroglyphs are very fragile. Stay on the boardwalk.

Please check https://www.fhvn.org/events/sw_20230513/ for updates and for more information about this event.

Note: Effective July 2023, Sunday Walk in the Park will be a very reasonable \$5.00 per person, non-refundable.

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7. Live Energy Wise

Make your home more energy efficient (and save money). Your home's windows are responsible for 25 to 30 percent of residential heat gain and heat loss. If they're old and inefficient, consider replacing them. Also be sure your home has proper insulation. Insulation is measured in terms of its thermal resistance or R-value — the higher the R-value, the more effective the insulation. The amount of insulation your home needs depends on the climate, type of HVAC system, and where you're adding the insulation. Smaller things you can do right away include replacing your air filter regularly so your HVAC system doesn't have to work overtime. Keep your window treatments closed when it's extremely hot and cold outside. You can also consider installing a programmable thermostat like Nest so your system isn't running (and wasting energy) when you're not home.

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THE VOICE

NEWS FROM THE VOLCANO COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

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MAY

VCA PUBLICITY & COMMUNICATIONS

New Logo

As some folks may have noticed, we have been experimenting with a new logo this year! It is not yet finalized and Board approved—but we thought we'd try it out live and see what feedback we would receive. So far the response has been mostly positive! While the prior logo was drawn up by local artist Caren Loebel-Fried some time in the mists of VCA's early years—the new logo is the vision of Bergamot Fossel, age 13, winner of many local art contests, and the daughter of 2023 VCA President, Scott Fossel. Her Mom, Sasha, took a photo outside Nāhuku lava tube—and the family creativity kicked into gear when 2022 President Aubrey Hawk shared that she was exploring the possibility of



Photo by Sasha Fossel

a new logo. Let us know your comments and suggestions to fine tune the new logo at volcanocommunityassociation@gmail.com.

Social Media

Social media can be a great way to share positive stories about our community, connect with residents, and answer questions. We can also use social media to invite community members to engage with issues concerning our community regarding upcoming decisions—gaining valuable feedback in the process. VCA has only launched our current

social media channels—Facebook, Instagram, and LinkedIn—in the last year, but we are looking forward to a much greater level of community engagement in the months and years ahead. Look for upcoming social media highlights of our accomplishments, current events, and future plans towards a greater quality of life and a more inclusive Volcano. Please find us soon on our social media channels!

New Website

Our apologies if you have visited the VCA website recently, as we know it needs an update to get it current—so it will properly reflect all the great new inspiration and energy our 2023 Board is now bringing to the community! Bear with us please, however, as until this month we have not had a Publicity / Communications Committee lead, and thus our launch of a brand new VCA website—redesigned from the ground up—has been slower than we would hope. With our new lead Sherrie Galdeira coming on Board, however, look for forthcoming updates and progress in this important channel of community engagement!

Publications

With the launch of our new website, we will also be taking a fresh look at our current VCA publications and how we can reach more people in our community with a greater range of relevant knowledge. We know what a resourceful and informed community we are in Volcano, so we would like to offer VCA as an expanded platform for teaching and learning. So if you are reading this and feel you have some special knowledge or information you would like to get out to the community—be in touch and we will work with you to see what we can make possible together!

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SATURDAY, APRIL 22ND
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Bruce Miller
Scott Fossel
& more!

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The Voice

Continue to look for our monthly updates in the Cooper Center Newsletter, where we will progressively map out the work of our nine Committees, while introducing you to each of our Committee leads. One exciting change will debut this month is the digital version of The Voice will precede the print version, being released immediately via email as soon as it's ready. This will keep the community in closer contact, especially when announcing upcoming events, such as our Earth Day event April 22nd! (See details to left)

KE WELINA MAI NEI!

I am honored to serve our community as the newly appointed Publicity & Communications Committee lead for VCA. Together through 'auamo kuleana—collective transformation through individual excellence—we aim to work collectively to execute the vision we hear in the voice of our cherished community. As an active REALTOR with Kou Hale Realty, a Notary Public, a Civil Process Server and a Paralegal, I hope to use all these skills to optimally serve our community.

- Sherrie Galdeira

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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 Hawaiian Orchid Isle Estates.



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High Turnout for Electronics Recycling Collection Events in Hilo & Kona

The County of Hawai'i's Recycling Section held its Electronics Recycling Collection Events in Hilo and Kona in December and January, during which the public once again came out in droves to properly dispose of their junk TVs, monitors, computers, and printers.

These collection events were sponsored by the County and State Department of Health. Well over a thousand customers were served and more than 160,000 pounds of electronics were collected and are being transported to certified electronics recyclers on the mainland.

The County would like to thank the residents of Hawai'i Island and our contractor Mr. K's Recycle & Redemption Center for making these events safe and successful. We appreciate the public's patience and kōkua during these events.

A new state law, Act 151 (2022) requires the manufacturers of TVs, monitors, computers, and printers to provide at least monthly collections of these electronics in Hilo and Kona starting in January 2023. Mr. K's Recycle & Redemption Center, Inc. is the current registered participating collection drop-off company on Hawai'i Island. For more information on Mr. K's electronics collections in Hilo and Kona please visit their website: (<https://www.mrksrecyclehawaii.com/electronic-waste.html>) or call 808-969-1222.

"This Extended Producer Responsibility law gives residents and businesses a convenient opportunity to clean out their homes and offices of electronics, and the knowledge that it is being recycled safely and properly to protect the 'āina and our drinking water," said Craig Kawaguchi, Recycling Coordinator for the County of Hawai'i.

Please visit the State of Hawai'i Department of Health's electronics recycling website <https://health.hawaii.gov/ewaste/> for more information on manufacturer-sponsored electronics recycling and the new law. Visit the County's recycling website, www.hawaiiizerowaste.org, for other types of recycling information, announcements of upcoming events, and to register for Solid Waste Notifications (via email or text).



Mr. K's Recycle & Redemption employees collect electronics from a customer at the Hilo Electronics Recycling Collection Event on January 14, 2023.

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Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park May 2023



HAWAII NATIONAL PARK, Hawai'i – May brings an abundance of blooming 'ōhi'a lehua blossoms throughout the park, and a plethora of special events from live music, to Hawaiian cultural demonstrations, living history performances and more. Mark your calendar for these May events:

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.

Live Music with Ola Loa. Join us for a lively evening as Volcano band Ola Loa plays a free concert after dark in the park. Christopher Miller on guitar, Gary Dikito on 'ukulele and Jeff Hamilton on stand-up bass bring their unique blend of Hawaiian, rhythm & blues and classic hits to Kilauea. Locals and visitors alike will find themselves singing along with this talented trio. 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, May 2 at 7 p.m. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. **Where:** Kīlauea Visitor Center auditorium



Ola Loa: Christopher Miller on guitar, Gary Dikito on 'ukulele and Jeff Hamilton on stand-up bass bring their unique blend of Hawaiian, rhythm & blues and classic hits to Kilauea. Photo courtesy of Ola Loa

Let's Play Hū. Early Hawaiians devoted time to games, amusement and relaxation. Hū, or top-spinning, was an absorbing activity for children but making hū with a kukui nut was equally engaging. Join rangers and staff from Hawai'i Pacific Parks Association as they share their love and knowledge of traditional arts. Part of Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park's ongoing 'Ike Hana No'ēau (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, May 10 from 10 a.m. to noon **Where:** 'Ōhi'a Wing (across Crater Rim Drive from Kīlauea Visitor Center)

Free Concert by Artist-in-Residence Sharkk Heartt. Lara Ruggles, who performs as Sharkk Heartt, is an emerging artist and activist in the music industry. Her unique style combines elements of indie pop, folk, electronica, and even jazz to create a sound that is both captivating and inspiring and draws comparisons to Sylvan Esso and Florence and the Machine. The <https://www.nationalparksartsfoundation.org/> selected Lara as the park's Artist in Residence for the month of May where she will write and perform new music while getting inspired by the park's many amazing landscapes.

When: Saturday, May 13 at 2 p.m. **Where:** Kahuku Visitor Contact Station

Anchialine Pools: Windows to Hidden Hawai'i. Anchialine pools are one of the rarest ecosystems on Earth that few people know exist. These coastal pools provide critical habitat for 'ōpae 'ula (endemic shrimp) and other native species, and Hawai'i Island is home to 650 of the 700 anchialine pools in the state. Join Anne Farahi, lead aquatic biologist for the National Park Service Pacific Island Network Inventory & Monitoring division and anchialine enthusiast and park ranger Dean Gallagher on a virtual plunge into hidden Hawai'i. Part of Hawai'i Volcanoes' ongoing Kahuku Coffee Talk programs, and sponsored by Hawai'i Pacific Parks Association. Free admission, and Ka'ū coffee will be available for sale.

When: Saturday, May 20 from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. **Where:** Kahuku Visitor Contact Station

The Battle of the Bitter Rain. It was a time of feathered capes, shark-toothed clubs, and long spears. A time when warring chiefs battled for control of the islands. One such fierce battle took place partially within what is today Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Join retired park ranger, Jay Robinson as he transports us back to a time when control of the island of Hawai'i teetered on the brink at a place and time known as the Battle of the Bitter Rain. 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, May 23 at 7 p.m. **Where:** Kīlauea Visitor Center auditorium

Living History at Kahuku: Nani O Kahuku. Re-live a day on the Kamehameha Schools' historic Kahuku Ranch and join us for a one-woman living history play performed by Alya-Joy Kanehailua. The in-situ performance is based on a journal written by Hannah Pi'ilani Jones, daughter of George Jones, who owned Kahuku Ranch from 1871 to 1887. FREE! Performances are at 10 a.m., noon and 2 p.m., and reservations are required. Email Wendy Vance; wendy_scott-vance@nps.gov to reserve your seat and for detailed directions. **When:** Saturday, May 27 at 10 a.m., noon and 2 p.m. **Where:** Kamehameha Schools Kahuku Ranch property. Directions provided when you make reservations.

Go to <https://www.nps.gov/havo/planyourvisit/calendar.htm> for more information.

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Ten Things You Can Do...

8. Eat Sustainable Foods

Today, large-scale food production accounts for as much as 25 percent of the greenhouse emissions. So how do you eat sustainably? Choosing food from farmers that aim to conserve the natural resources and have as little impact on the land as possible. But even buying as much as you can from local farmers makes a difference. Eating more whole grains, vegetables, fruits and nuts, and less red meats and processed foods does too. Grow your own fruits and vegetables. You can grow a garden!

9. Plant a Tree (or Two)

The 2022 United Nations' Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) report found that things are worse now than ever before. Greenhouse gas emissions continue to rise and most countries are not reducing carbon emissions. But there is a natural way to combat climate change: Plant a tree. Plants naturally absorb carbon from the air. One young tree can absorb CO₂ at a rate of 13 pounds (5 kilograms) per tree. Every. Single. Year. And that's just an itty bitty baby tree. Once that tree reaches about 10 years old, it's at its most productive stage of carbon storage. Then it can absorb 48 pounds (21 kilograms) of CO₂ per year. Trees also remove all other kinds of junk from the air, including sulfur dioxide, nitrogen oxides and small particles. So go ahead, plant a tree. It's good for everybody.

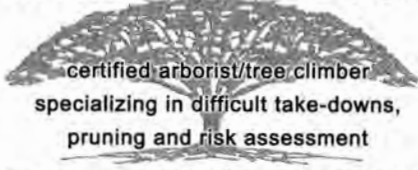
10. Give Up Plastics

The statistics are shocking: People around the world buy 1 million plastic drinking bottles every minute, and use up to 5 trillion single-use plastic bags every year. Humans are addicted to plastic, and hardly any of it — about 9 percent — gets recycled. A staggering 68 to 219 million tons (75 to 199 million metric tons) of plastic is currently in our oceans. Break the cycle. Stop buying bottled water. Say no to plastic shopping bags and use cloth bags instead. Don't use plastic straws. Drink from a reusable cup instead of a plastic one. Avoiding plastic can divert a ton of waste from the oceans and landfill.

This story is part of Covering Climate Now, a global collaboration of more than 250 news outlets to strengthen coverage of the climate story.

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Exhibition: Gourds Reimagined by Jelena Clay, in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park continues through, May 21, from 9am - 5 pm daily. Jelena will perform a live demonstration at VAC gallery in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park on Saturday, May 6, from 11am – 2pm for those interested in learning more about her artistic processes and techniques.

The Volcano Wood Show opens on Saturday, May 20, 2023, and continues through June 10, 2023. The show is open to the public Wednesday – Sunday, 10am – 4pm at Volcano Art Center Niaulani Campus in Volcano Village. The exhibit will also be featured online at www.volcanoartcenter.org.

Exhibition: Daniel Van Zyle: A Celebration of 50 yrs. Exhibiting, May 27 -July 9, at VAC gallery in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park.

Volcano Art Center's Hula Arts at Kīlauea 2023 performance series continues Saturday, May 13, with a presentation by Halau Nā Wai Iwi Ola under the direction of Kumu Keala Ching. The performance begins at 10:30am at the pā hula in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Although, the event is free, Park entrance fees apply.

Thursday Night at the Center: Join Marc Hughes on Thursday, May 11, 2023, at 6pm, at Volcano Art Center Niaulani Campus in Volcano Village. This video presentation provides a visual display of many associations that can be seen in scuba diving and snorkeling depths in the oceans around the Big Island.



Mother's Day Edition-Paint Your Own Silk Scarf with Patti Pease Johnson A great gift! Just in time for Mother's Day. Big Island artist and instructor Patti Pease Johnson teaches the Paint Your Own Silk Scarf workshop on Saturday, May 13, 2023, from 9:00am-12:30pm at Volcano Art Center, Niaulani Campus.

Zentangle: Treasure Bag with Dina Kageler, May 13 at VAC Niaulani Campus in Volcano Village. Tangle Niaulani is a new series of Zentangle-inspired classes celebrating the diversity of the Niaulani Rainforest guided by Certified Zentangle Teacher (CZT) Dina Wood Kageler.

Movie Night: A Short Evening – Showtime at 6 pm, on May 13, at VAC Niaulani Campus in Volcano Village. Visit volcanoartcenter.org for more information.

Mother's Day Concert with Volcano Chamber Players, Sunday, May 14, at VAC Niaulani Campus in Volcano Village. Visit volcanoartcenter.org for more information.

The Art of Astrology with Uldra Johnson Saturday, May 20, from 10am – 2pm. In this four-hour beginning astrology class, you will learn the fundamentals of astrology that will provide you all the knowledge you need to interpret your own chart, and that of others.



Silk scarf painting

Join artist Mary Milelzcik for the **Papermaking with Pulp with Natural Dyes and Pigment Workshop** on Saturday, May 20, 2023, from 10 am – 2:30 pm.

Instructor Zach Mermel will teach the basics of mushroom cultivation in the **“Food from Wood: Growing Edible & Medicinal Mushrooms on Logs, Stumps, and Wood Chips”** on Saturday, May 27, 2023, from 9am – 2pm at Volcano Art Center Niaulani Campus in Volcano Village.

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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