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Aloha Week Celebration at JW Marriott Ihilani Resort & Spa

Complimentary Hawaiian Activities, September 19-24

Ko Olina, Oahu, HI (September 9, 2011) – The luxurious [JW Marriott Ihilani Resort & Spa](#) at Ko Olina invites guests to a weeklong celebration of the Hawaiian culture, September 19-24.

“To coincide with the statewide Aloha Festivals celebration this month, our associates have lined up an array of complimentary cultural activities for our guests and visitors to enjoy,” said Dan Banchiu, general manager of AAA Four Diamond award-winning JW Marriott Ihilani Resort & Spa. “We invite everyone to come down and take part in the fun experiences and performances.”



Most Aloha Week activities are complimentary and open to the public. The events include:

Monday, September 19

- 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. – Ti leaf lei making / Lobby
- 5:00 – 6:30 p.m. – Aloha Week opening program with music, hula dancing and festivities / Lobby

Tuesday, September 20

- 10:00 a.m. – Hawaiian healing demonstration / Lobby
- 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. – Flower pick making / Lobby
- 4:30 – 5:30 p.m. – Hula lessons / Lobby
- 5:30 – 6:00 p.m. – Hula show / Pool Terrace

Wednesday, September 21

- 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – Eyelash yarn lei making / Lobby
- 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. – Kukui nut spinning top making / Lobby
- 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. – Torch lighting and keiki (children) hula show / Pool Terrace

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Thursday, September 22

- 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. – Sea shell magnet making / Lobby
- 4:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Fia Fia Luau Show* / Lagoon Lawn

Friday, September 23

- 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. – Photo and frame-making class** / Lobby
- 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. – Flower lei making / Lobby
- 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. – Aloha Week closing program / Lobby
- 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. – Strolling musicians and dancers / Various restaurants

Saturday, September 24

- 8:30 – 10:30 a.m. – Flower lei making / Lobby

All times and performances/activities are subject to change without notice.

*Fia Fia Luau Show – Cost is \$90/person. Reservations required. Call the Concierge Desk at 808-679-2309.

**Photos will be complimentary; frames \$5 each.

\$10 validated parking will be available for non-hotel event guests. To learn more about JW Marriott Ihilani Resort & Spa's week of *aloha* activities, please call the Concierge Desk at 808-679-3209.

Editors Note: JPGs of JW Marriott Ihilani Resort & Spa are available.

About JW Marriott Ihilani Resort & Spa

The luxurious JW Marriott Ihilani Resort & Spa at Ko Olina offers 387 spacious guest rooms including 36 suites, which have been completely transformed to feature a residential resort look-and-feel and upgraded amenities including a 42-inch flat screen LCD TV. The AAA Four Diamond award winning resort fronts the first of four lagoons in the 640-acre Ko Olina Resort & Marina, offering the island's most complete resort experience with a relaxed Hawaiian elegance and gracious, warm personalized service. The resort is ideal for meetings and weddings with a total of 77,694 square feet of outdoor and indoor meeting space, including the newly expanded 15,600-square-foot Hokulani Ballroom. Resort activities include 18 holes of championship play at Ko Olina Golf Club, tennis courts with ocean views and a variety of restaurants showcasing unique and distinctive island cuisine, including the AAA Four Diamond award winning Azul restaurant. The world-class Ihilani Spa, voted one of the "Top Spas in the World" by readers of *Conde Nast Traveler* and *Travel + Leisure* magazines, has been completely redesigned with a new layout, couple's treatment room, the brand new *Ho'onanea* suite for private events, and a 24-hour fitness center. Ihilani Spa is internationally renowned for its full complement of invigorating body treatments and massages, using products harvested from the honua (earth) and the moana (ocean) here in the islands. The resort recently ranked as one of the "Top 15 Hawaii Golf Resorts" by *Conde Nast Traveler*, one of the "World's Best Hawaii Resorts" by *Travel + Leisure*, and number one in the *Honolulu Star-Advertiser's* "Best of the Best Hotel & Resort" poll voted by island readers.

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