

HCPO 2023 OAHU
SEPTEMBER 6 - 8

Information and Registration

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DATE

Sheraton Waikiki

Hawaii Congress of Planning Officials
Hosted by City and County of Honolulu
Department of Planning and Permitting
Registration and detailed information to follow.



Please contact registrar@pacificrimconcepts.com or 808-864-9812 if you have any questions.



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TURNING THE TIDE

Mobile Tours

Wednesday, September 6, 2023

[Interactive Map with Mobile Tour Locations!](#)

Volunteer with Ho'okua'āina Lo'i

(23 Person Capacity)

\$90 (lunch provided)

7:45 AM – 12:00 PM

Bus departs from Sheraton at
7:45 AM

Join us for a morning of hands-on learning and building connections. Ho'okua'āina is located in the headwaters of Kawainui Marsh and is a natural wetland with all kinds of wildlife. Expect to encounter tadpoles, guppies, frogs and a variety of beautiful bird species. Activities will depend on what the farm needs help with on that day, most likely weeding out the lo'i patches in deep mud. The lo'i is nestled in the heart of Maunawili Valley and subject to changes in weather regularly. You might experience hot sun or pouring rain, so be prepared for both!

Ala Moana Hi-Rise TOD Project Walking Tour

(15 Person Capacity)

\$40 (lunch provided)

9:30 AM – 1:30 PM

Tour departs from Sheraton at
9:30 AM

The Ala Moana neighborhood is home to many new mixed-use towers, with more in the works. Come along for a tour of three transit-oriented development (TOD) projects in various phases of development: Azure, which is complete and occupied; Sky Ala Moana and Renaissance Honolulu Hotel, which anticipate opening just weeks after this tour; and The Park on Keeaumoku, which is going to be in active construction. Members of each development team will meet us on site for a tour and a discussion of how the buildings fit into the TOD vision and plan for this urban district.



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MetroGrow Vertical Farm and Kunia Village Tours

(22 Person Capacity)

9:30 AM – 1:30 PM

Bus departs from Sheraton at
9:30 AM

\$ 103 (lunch available for purchase)

Join us for a tour of two facilities on the cutting edge of local agriculture! The first stop will be right in the hustle and bustle of urban Honolulu at MetroGrow – Hawai'i's first indoor vertical farm that is based in Kaka'ako. MetroGrow utilizes efficient farming technologies like aeroponics and hydroponics to grow high-quality produce in a controlled environment for the restaurant and gourmet markets, with none of the challenges of traditional outdoor farming.

The second destination is the Kunia Village and Agribusiness Center. The site has been repurposed to sustain O'ahu's diversifying agricultural industry. It includes aquaculture (tilapia), 100% locally grown sugarcane processed into rum, macadamia and kukui nuts processed into cosmetics and oils, and an irradiator to allow for the export of Hawai'i's specialty crops. It is an agricultural "live, work, play" community with housing for farm workers. Lunch is not included, but will be available for purchase at Kunia Village.

Rail Transit Tour

(24 Person Capacity)

9:30 AM – 1:00 PM

Bus departs from Sheraton
at 9:30 AM

\$60 (lunch provided)

The City and County of Honolulu is very excited to be making history this year – finally operating passenger rail service on O'ahu for the first time in almost 80 years. Please join us for a tour of our new elevated rail transit system, which is anticipated to start revenue service in the first operating segment between East Kapolei and Hālawā this summer! Participants will tour the rail stations and learn about neighborhood history and heritage through public art; ride the train and take in sweeping south shore views; discuss new and upcoming bus connections, transit-oriented developments, and rail station access projects; tour the Rail Operations Center where all the action happens; and experience the transportation future of O'ahu first hand.



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Waihe'e Tunnel and Watershed Tour

(18 Person Capacity)

\$90 (lunch provided)

9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Bus departs from Sheraton
at 9:00 AM

Awaken your senses with a walk inside the 1,500-foot dike tunnel that provides the majority of water to Windward O'ahu, from Kahalu'u to Kailua. The many ahupua'a of windward O'ahu have played important roles in the evolution of Hawai'i's post-plantation water laws. This tour, hosted by the Board of Water Supply, involves an easy one-mile hike to the tunnel entrance, an introduction to O'ahu's water cycle, and an overview of the history of the facility. The tunnel will have clean flowing water at your feet and dripping from above, so expect to get a bit wet!

Lighter, Quicker, Cheaper: Quick Build Tour

(22 Person Capacity)

\$90 (snack provided)

10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Bus departs from Sheraton at
10:00 AM

Did you know that O'ahu boasts almost 30 different complete streets "quick-build" projects across the island? These lighter, quicker, and cheaper changes to our streets improve safety and transform them towards more people-oriented spaces. And best of all, they can be initiated by not just government agencies but also communities themselves. Join us on a tour of some of these great projects, hear about how they came to be, see them in action, and even try some out! We will visit different projects across Honolulu from Downtown bus-only lanes to coffee shop parklets. The tour will conclude with an optional Biki bikeshare ride of Honolulu's quick-build bike lanes.

Downtown Honolulu Historical Walking Tour

(20 Person Capacity)

\$30 (snack provided)

1:45 PM – 5:00 PM

Meet at Walker Park at 1:45 PM

Craig Howes, Director the Center for Biographical Research at the University of Hawai'i Mānoa, will take us on a journey through many times at once. Historic Honolulu and the Capitol district are made up of missing, disrupted, imposed, and hybrid layers of history, which together tell a 250-year story reaching up to the present. Some of the questions we'll seek to answer along the way—Why is the 3rd largest island home to 70% of Hawai'i's population? What is the second-most photographed building in Hawai'i? Why is 'Iolani Palace closer to Kawaiaha'o Church than to Honolulu Harbor? How has architecture left a record of the struggles between cultures and political agendas? What had to disappear to make the present appear the way it does?