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## **Legends of Hawai'i – Our Big Island Story**

### **A True Cultural Experience at Hilton Waikoloa Village**

**WAIKOLOA, Hawaii** – Hilton Waikoloa Village is thrilled to spotlight the spectacular cultural lū'au experience, the Legends of Hawai'i, Our Big Island Story. Presented in conjunction with Tihati Productions, this unforgettable dinner show brings to life the ancestral songs and dances that retell the epic stories of Hawaii and her remarkable people. Taking place at 5:30 p.m. every Tuesday, Friday and Sunday in Kamehameha Court at Hilton Waikoloa Village, the Big Island lū'au showcases grand costumes, exciting interactive stations, and fascinating stories, along with a traditional Hawaiian lū'au feast.

Beginning with a traditional chant in tribute to one of Hawai'i most prominent chiefs, Kamehameha Nui, Legends of Hawai'i lū'au features stories that highlight the history of the Hawaiian Islands, enchanting guests as the tales unfold. Both Hawaiian fishermen characters and Waimea Cowboys—dressed in traditional vaquero-style clothing and flower-covered slouch hats—join the show, transporting onlookers back to ancient times when residents completely lived off the land. The Flames of Fire drumming and dance performance of the Pacific will enthrall spectators as the performers ignite torches into blazing flames, engaging in an upbeat coed number full of pulsating drum beats.

Providing entertainment for all ages, the interactive stations include both Kapa Stamping and Polynesian Tattoos. In the spirit of Hawaiian kapa, visitors to the Kapa Stamping station are able to print their own bookmarks using ancient tools such as the 'ohe kapala (Hawaiian bamboo stamps). A Tihati warrior draws (temporary) traditional Polynesian Tattoo designs on those who desire to wear the ancient mark of the tautau. As the coconut is a staple to the Polynesian diet, during the program a coconut artisan will demonstrate the skill of husking, opening and processing the coconut, just as it has been prepared for hundreds of years.

Long-standing crowd favorites of the Waikoloa lū'au experience are showcase pieces such as the legend of Polihau, traditional hulas and ti leaf skirts of Hawai'i celebrating the Big Island's notorious mountaintops, and the lively drum beats of Hawai'i's Tahitian ancestors. Tickets for The Legends of Hawai'i - Our Big Island Story lū'au are \$112 for adults, \$102 for kama'aina, and \$56 for children with special front row seating for keiki. For an additional \$26, guests can upgrade to Ali'i seating for the best seats in the house. Ali'i seating includes premier seating, complimentary valet parking, family-style pupus and desserts tableside, exclusive butler service and gratuity. Ticket prices include access to the open tropical bar, dinner buffet, show, self-parking and gratuity and are available at [www.hiltonwaikoloavillage.com](http://www.hiltonwaikoloavillage.com).

The award-winning Hilton Waikoloa Village is a 62-acre Pacific playground and alluring destination unto itself. The resort offers island hospitality with 1,241 beautifully appointed guest rooms and beautiful vistas of Waiulua Bay. Amenities include three fresh-water swimming pools; an ocean-fed snorkeling lagoon; waterfalls and waterways; locally inspired treatments at the Kohala Spa; the Dolphin Quest educational center; nine dining outlets; a Museum Walkway; the Club Keiki children's program; Legends of the Hawai'i Lū'au; an 18-hole seaside putting course and an expansive tennis complex. Hilton Waikoloa Village and Waikoloa Beach Resort are gateways to cultural immersion, engaging travelers in the area's rich history through such interactive cultural entertainment as hula and ukulele lessons and historic Petroglyph tours. Adventures within Waikoloa Beach Resort range from two championship golf courses to world-class shopping and activities at Queens' Marketplace and Kings' Shops.

For more information about Hilton Waikoloa Village, visit [www.waikoloavillage.hilton.com](http://www.waikoloavillage.hilton.com) or call +1 808 886 1234. To download images visit <http://news.hilton.com/waikoloavillage>.

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