

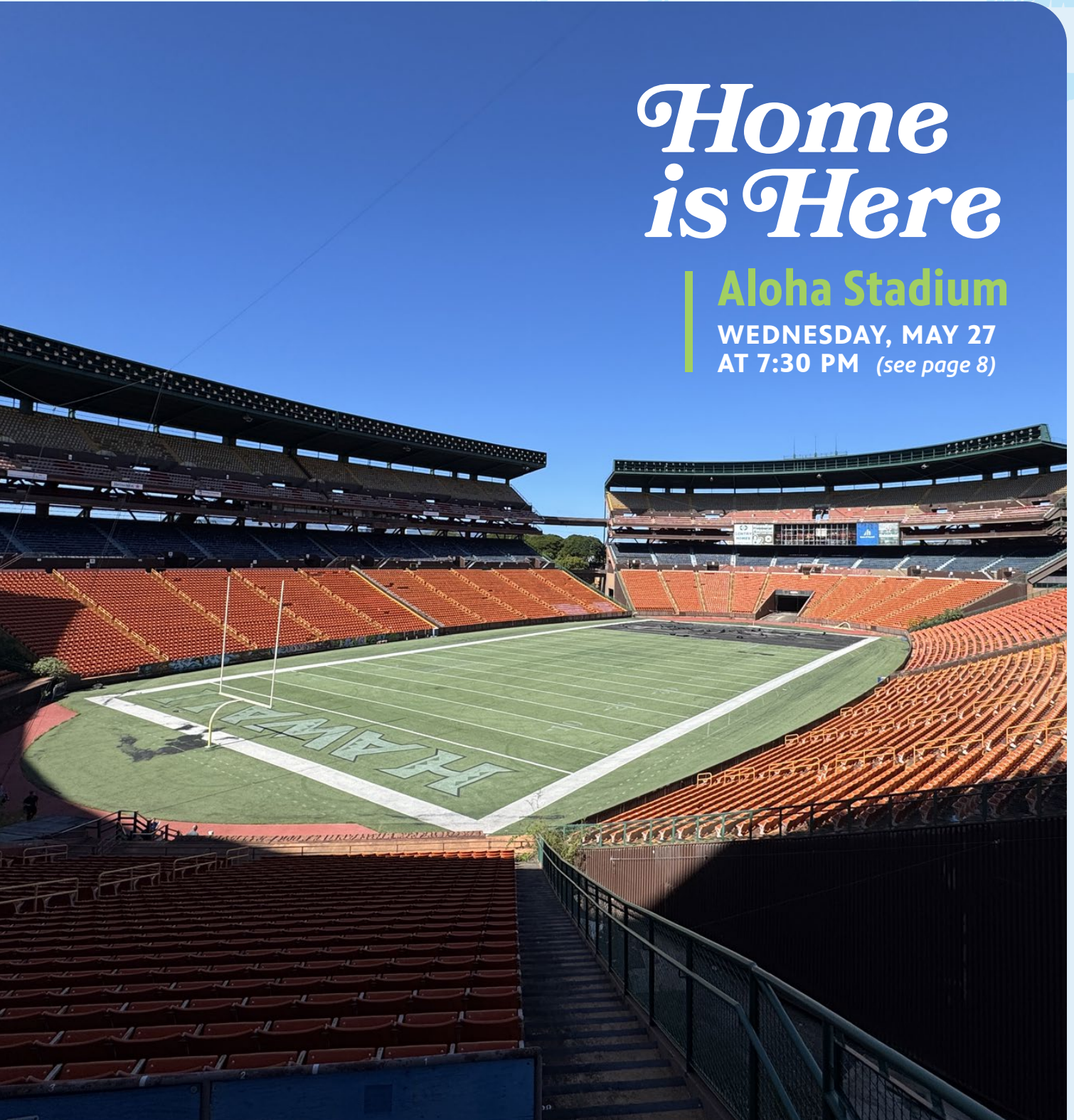


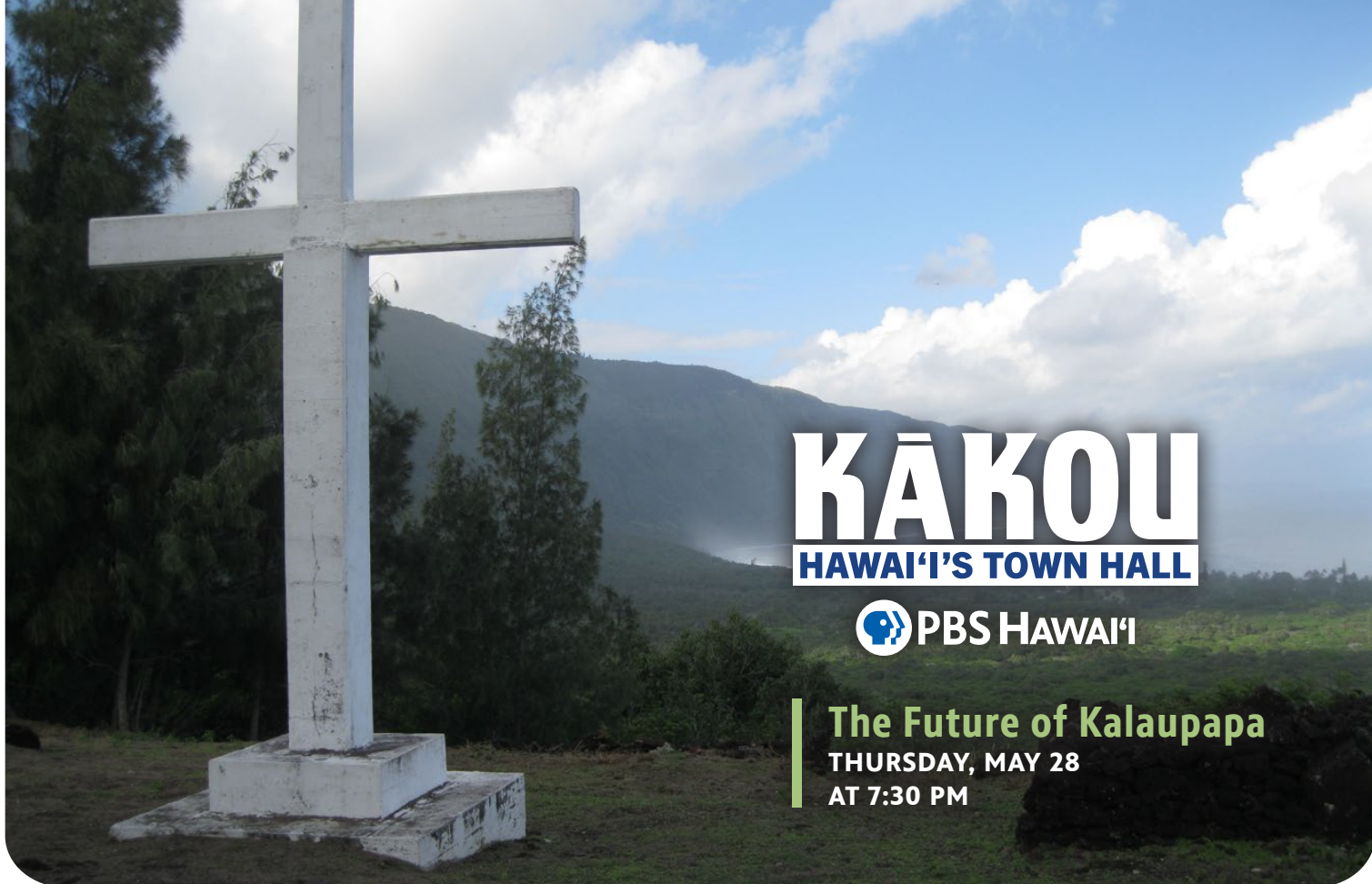
# PBS HAWAII

## *Home is Here*

**Aloha Stadium**

WEDNESDAY, MAY 27  
AT 7:30 PM *(see page 8)*





# KĀKOU

## HAWAI'I'S TOWN HALL



**The Future of Kalaupapa**  
THURSDAY, MAY 28  
AT 7:30 PM

Kalaupapa, on the isolated peninsula along Moloka'i's north shore, has been home to people living with Hansen's disease for 160 years.

Thousands were sent there after being diagnosed with or even suspected of having leprosy, now known as Hansen's disease. Many were Native Hawaiian children, taken from their families at a young age.

Children born to patients at Kalaupapa were taken from the island and often grew up never knowing or hearing stories about their parents. It remains one of the most painful chapters in Hawai'i's history.

Even in the face of separation and loss, residents built a community for themselves. Over time, their stories were shared in books, in song and in the memories of those who knew them.

Forced relocation began in 1866 and ended in 1969. Effective treatments emerged in the 1940s, advanced in the 1960s, and are widely available today. Hansen's disease is now curable.

When travel restrictions were lifted, many who had spent most of their lives in Kalaupapa chose to remain. The area, designated Kalawao County in 1907, continues to be managed by the Hawai'i Department of Health. Today, fewer than ten patients remain, most in their eighties.

Long before the settlement, Native Hawaiians lived on this land for centuries. Their history and connection to this place are an essential part of the larger story of Kalaupapa.

With so few patients left, Hawai'i is now facing difficult questions about the future of the peninsula. Proposed

legislation this year would transfer control of the area to Maui County. How that would align with the long-term plans of the National Park Service remains unclear.

PBS Hawai'i is bringing stakeholders together for **KĀKOU: Hawai'i's Town Hall** to discuss *The Future of Kalaupapa*. Join the live conversation on Thursday, May 28 at 7:30 pm.



Sources: Hawai'i Department of Health, National Park Service, Hawai'i Legislature, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Institute Pasteur



Father Damien, the Hansen's disease settlement at Kalaupapa, Moloka'i and the human effect of the policies that sent people there are profiled in three films on PBS Hawai'i this month.



**Price of Paradise**  
Thursday, May 7, at 8:30 pm

Lindamae Lawelawe Maldonado was 55 years old when she started to learn the truth about her adoption. She was forcibly taken from her parents who were living in Kalaupapa. *Price of Paradise* follows Maldonado on her journey for identity and belonging and her discovery of a family she never knew existed.

*Damien* debuted on Hawai'i Public Television on September 29, 1977. The one-man play, written by Aldyth Morris, featured actor Terence Knapp as Father Damien De Veuster, the Belgian priest who cared for and ministered to Hansen's disease patients at Kalaupapa. The film played nationally on PBS in 1978 and won a prestigious Peabody Award.

The story is set in 1936 when the body of Father Damien was exhumed from his grave at Kalaupapa and sent back to his home country of Belgium. Morris was in Honolulu and saw the koa casket carrying Damien's body as it came through.

The play is a monologue delivered by Damien as a spirit watching his own funeral procession and unfolds in a series of flashbacks about his life, his frailties and his devotion to the patients he tended.

For the first time, PBS Hawai'i is making *Damien* available online at [pbs-hawaii.org](http://pbs-hawaii.org) and on the PBS Hawai'i YouTube page.



**Damien**  
Thursday, May 14, at 9:00 pm



**Shipment Day**  
Thursday, May 21, at 8:30 pm



Olivia Robello Breitha was born in 1916 to Portuguese immigrants on Kaua'i. In 1934, this young, vibrant, engaged-to-be-married woman was diagnosed with leprosy, taken from her home and sent to Kalihi Hospital in Honolulu where she became patient No. 3306. Three years later, she was sent to Kalaupapa with other Hansen's disease patients, isolated from her family and the rest of the outside world.

She published her memoir, *Olivia: My Life of Exile in Kalaupapa* in 1988 and later became an activist, providing awareness of the indignities endured by Hansen's disease patients. She died in 2006 and is buried at Kalaupapa.

Her cousin, Lorenzo DeStefano, wrote a play, *Shipment Day*, chronicling her experiences from the day she was diagnosed to the day she was shipped to Moloka'i. The play debuted at Manoa Valley Theatre in 2018. DeStefano adapted it for television. It will also be available on the PBS Hawai'i website and YouTube pages.

Top: Linda Lawelawe Maldonado  
Middle: Terence Knapp on one of four sets built for the *Damien* production; Terence Knapp as Father Damien De Veuster  
Bottom: Olivia Robello at Kalihi Hospital, October, 1934. Courtesy of The Estate of Olivia Robello Breitha; Ku'u'lei Shafee, right, as Olivia Robello in "Shipment Day." Karen Kaulana, left, as Mary Fernandez Robello. Courtesy of *Shipment Day* Productions

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# WEEKLY DAYTIME SCHEDULE

	MONDAY - FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
5:00 am	Clifford the Big Red Dog	Cyberchase	Weather Hunters
5:30 am	Ready Jet Go!	Weather Hunters	Hero Elementary
6:00 am	Hero Elementary	Dinosaur Train	Donkey Hodie
6:30 am	Donkey Hodie	Donkey Hodie	Mister Rogers' Neighborhood
7:00 am	Dinosaur Train	Wild Kratts	Sesame Street
7:30 am	Elinor Wonders Why	The Cat in the Hat	Elinor Wonders Why
8:00 am	Xavier Riddle and the Secret Museum	Xavier Riddle and the Secret Museum	Rosie's Rules
8:30 am	Rosie's Rules	Alma's Way	Phoebe & Jay
9:00 am	Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood	Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood	Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood
9:30 am	Work It Out Wombats!	Work It Out Wombats!	Super Why!
10:00 am	Molly of Denali	Molly of Denali	Carl the Collector
10:30 am	Carl the Collector	Nature Cat	Arthur
11:00 am	Phoebe & Jay	Lyla in the Loop	WordGirl
11:30 am	Lyla in the Loop	Odd Squad	Wild Kratts
noon	Sesame Street	HIKI NŌ on PBS Hawai'i	Antiques Roadshow
12:30 pm	Alma's Way	Classical Stretch	
1:00 pm	NHK Newsline	The Best of The Joy of Painting	PBS Hawai'i Presents
1:30 pm	NHK World-Japan	J Schwanke's Life in Bloom	
2:00 pm	NHK Newsline	The Garage with Steve Butler	Insights on PBS Hawai'i
2:30 pm	NHK World-Japan	Ask This Old House	
3:00 pm	Wild Kratts	This Old House	HIKI NŌ on PBS Hawai'i
3:30 pm	Weather Hunters	MotorWeek	Nā Mele
4:00 pm	Arthur	Pati's Mexican Table	PBS Hawai'i Classics/Home is Here
4:30 pm	Odd Squad	America's Test Kitchen	A Leader's Journey
5:00 pm	NHK Newsline	Cook's Country	NHK Newsline
5:30 pm	NHK World-Japan	Sara's Weeknight Meals	Biz Stream/Darwin's Animals
6:00 pm	BBC News	Dining with the Chef	Firing Line with Margaret Hoover
6:30 pm	PBS News Hour	Horizons from PBS News	Compass Points from PBS News

## NHK WORLD-JAPAN

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1:00 pm	NHK Newsline	NHK Newsline	NHK Newsline	NHK Newsline	NHK Newsline
1:30 pm	Hometown Stories	Deeper Look	Kabuki Kool	Lunch On!	Japanology Plus
2:00 pm	NHK Newsline	NHK Newsline	NHK Newsline	NHK Newsline	NHK Newsline
2:30 pm	Journeys in Japan	Dive in Tokyo	Core Kyoto	Asia Insight	NHK World-Japan Showcase (2-10 pm)
5:00 pm	NHK Newsline	NHK Newsline	NHK Newsline	NHK Newsline	Asia Insight
5:30 pm	Trails to Oshii Tokyo	Cycle Around Japan	Dive In Tokyo	Journeys in Japan	Medical Frontiers

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5:30 am	Let's Go Luna!
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6:30 am	Sesame Street
7:00 am	Pinkalicious & Peterrific
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7:00 pm	Lyla in the Loop
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8:00 pm	Nature Cat
8:30 pm	Hero Elementary
9:00 pm	Cyberchase
9:30 pm	Let's Go Luna!
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11:30 pm	Alma's Way
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## LOCAL PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



### HIKI NŌ

ON PBS HAWAII

AIRS TUESDAYS AT 7:30 PM

HIKI NŌ returns with new episodes showcasing student voices from across Hawai'i – including the highly anticipated Spring Challenge. In this special episode airing May 19, student storytellers take on the ultimate creative test: producing a complete story from concept to final edit in just five days. One of three challenges held each year alongside Fall and Winter, this fast-paced event pushes students to think critically, collaborate and create under pressure. Inspired by the prompt "Where We Meet the Water," teams deliver a diverse range of original stories. Tune in to see how these young storytellers bring their visions to life.

### PBS HAWAII CLASSICS

AIRS MOST WEDNESDAYS AT 7:30 PM

#### May 6 | Windward O'ahu Seniors Music Fest

Four groups representing communities in Windward O'ahu compete in an annual music festival in this episode of *Pau Hana Years* from 1974.

#### May 13 | Washington Place: Home of a Queen

Former Hawai'i first lady Jean Ariyoshi recounts the life of Hawai'i's last monarch, Queen Lili'uokalani, and shares details of historical artifacts at Washington Place in Honolulu in this *Spectrum Hawai'i* show from 1986.

#### May 20 | Vladimir Ossipoff: The Architect's Architect

In this episode of *Spectrum Hawai'i* from 1988, renowned Honolulu architect Vladimir Ossipoff shares secrets to his success while other architects praise his skill, ethics and leadership.

### INSIGHTS

ON PBS HAWAII

AIRS THURSDAYS AT 7:30 PM

#### May 7 | Preparing for Hurricane and Wildfire Season

What should residents start doing now to prepare to the upcoming hurricane season and wildfire season, especially with new growth in susceptible areas due to a very wet rainy season?

#### May 14 | Honolulu Police Chief Finalists

This 90-minute episode features the finalists for the position of Chief of Police for the City and County of Honolulu.

#### May 21 | Election 2026 Preview

In this election year, what are the most competitive races in Hawai'i at the federal, state and county level? How will voters stay informed?



PODCAST

UPLOADS ONCE A MONTH

#### Friday, May 29 | Kavet the Catalyst

Kavet the Catalyst is a Hawaiian MC, DJ, producer and curator of hip-hop in Hawai'i. While hosting a radio show on KTUH in 1997, the host of **ALANUI MELE** founded the Lightsleepers and turned that opportunity into a clothing brand with events while still creating hip-hop music.

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DIGITAL EXCLUSIVE

UPLOADS ONCE A MONTH

We are "marinating" some new ideas for our next season of **'ONO! Hawai'i's Food Culture** which will take us to some of the neighbor islands to explore the roots of more of our most iconic local dishes. You can always feed your craving for the stories behind your favorite local foods with all episodes of **'ONO! Hawai'i's Food Culture** on the PBS Hawai'i [YouTube channel](#) and on [pbshawaii.org](https://pbshawaii.org).



When Aloha Stadium opened in 1975, it was a state-of-the-art, 50,000-seat venue with movable sections offering multiple seating and field configurations. Builders used weathering steel, which over time was supposed to form a protective, rust-like patina. As we now know, that failed. The state closed Aloha Stadium to the public in 2020, leaving it to rest as a corroded guardian of unforgettable moments.

“I feel like this venue is as much a part of my life as the house I grew up in,” says KHON2 Sports Director Rob DeMello. “University of Hawai‘i football games, the Pro Bowl, the Hula Bowl, high school football, monster trucks, Janet Jackson, Bruno Mars, Michael Jackson, the Eagles ... high school graduations, “No Hope in Dope” rallies in elementary school. I came here for so many different reasons and every time it was exciting.”

As demolition of Aloha Stadium continues, we pause to honor



the iconic venue that welcomed generations of fans through its gates. Local boy Chad Owens fondly recalls the role Aloha Stadium played in starting his long career in football. “My dad used to bring me and I just remember big crowds, confetti, newspaper flying, that artificial turf and rainbows,” says Owens.

With plans for the new Aloha Stadium now in focus, those

involved with the project understand its importance. “We see this as an incredible opportunity to have a blank canvas to really create a community where people can live, work, play, learn and thrive,” says developer Stanford Carr of Aloha Hālawā District Partners. He adds, “I feel a huge responsibility, because this is a community asset.”

PBS HAWAII  
**CLASSICS**



**Honolulu Stadium:  
 Where Hawai‘i Played  
 Saturday, May 23 at 8:00 pm**

Before Aloha Stadium, there was Honolulu Stadium. It was built in 1926 in Mō‘ili‘ili and was home to high school and college football games, professional baseball games, polo matches, stock car races, concerts and more. It was affectionately called the “Termite Palace” in reference to its pest-riddled wooden structure.

In 1997, PBS Hawai‘i broadcast a special one-hour episode of *Spectrum Hawai‘i* recounting the history of the neighborhood venue through vintage photographs, legendary voices and indelible memories.

This program will also be available on [pbshawaii.org](http://pbshawaii.org) and on the PBS Hawai‘i YouTube page.

**NATIONAL PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS**



**LUCKY CHOW**  
**Season 8**  
**Saturdays, May 2-30, 7:00 pm**  
 Host Danielle Chang takes viewers on a vacation to compare and contrast the food traditions of Europe with those of Asia. She guides viewers through Berlin, Paris, London, Italy and Copenhagen in search of how Asian culinary culture has rooted itself into the European terroir.



**FOOD ROOTS**  
**Saturday, May 9, 8:00 pm**  
 Restaurateur Billy Dec travels through the Philippines to find his last living relatives and the origins of a tragedy that haunts his past. Through encounters with cultural and culinary traditions, he gains an understanding of his family history and how food has shaped their worldview.



**LOVING JOHN**  
**Saturday, May 23, 9:00 pm**  
 John Godinet is a Pacific Islander and ultra-runner living in Maryland. He’s outrun abuse as a teenager and discrimination as an adult but now has a new adversary: ALS. John and his husband Peter have a survival strategy for coping with the disease: a love cultivated over 40 years, cloaked in humor. But can this carry them through the days ahead?



**BRUCE LEE: ENTER THE DRAGON**  
**Saturday, May 2, 8:00 pm**  
 Known for his roles in five feature-length action films, the legendary Bruce Lee helped popularize the genre and sparked a surge of Western interest in Chinese martial arts. This documentary shows the influence of the geopolitical context, notably the Vietnam War, on the sets of his film *Enter the Dragon*.



**A LIFE REIMAGINED:  
 THE GEORGE MASA STORY**  
**Saturday, May 16, 8:00 pm**  
 This film unravels the mysterious life of George Masa, a Japanese immigrant to the U.S. whose extraordinary photographs helped define the identity of Appalachia’s Great Smoky Mountains. Filmed across Japan, the Pacific Northwest and North Carolina, this is a story of passion, loss and the redemptive power of art and place.



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 Third Act**  
**Monday, May 25, 9:00 pm**  
 Filmmaker Tadashi Nakamura chronicles his father Robert A. Nakamura’s life, from WWII incarceration to becoming a pioneer of Asian American cinema. As Parkinson’s disease and political unrest open old wounds, father and son confront art, memory and legacy.



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**Nā Mele  
Henry Kaponu at Halekulani's House Without A Key  
Sunday, June 7 at 7:00 pm**

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Top: Henry Kaponu in concert