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PBS HAWAII



'ONO!

Hawai'i's Food Culture

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**PREMIERES FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4
AT 11:00 AM**

DIGITAL EXCLUSIVE on YouTube and at pbshawaii.org



The Time of Ao

SEPTEMBER 3

This program emphasizes the significance of chants in every aspect of Hawaiian history including the voyages of Polynesians who discovered and settled the Hawaiian islands. The program also describes how these settlers created a thriving, sophisticated society that included ahupua'a, or land divisions from mauka to makai, complex agricultural systems for growing taro, the rules of kapu describing what was sacred or forbidden and the ingenious creation of fish ponds for food.

Innocence Betrayed

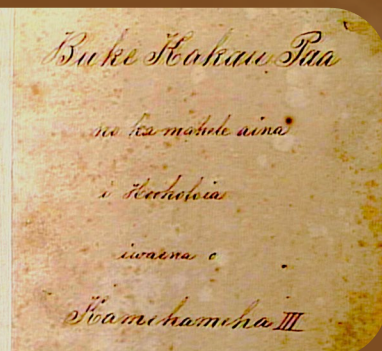
SEPTEMBER 10

This episode details the effects of Western contact starting with Capt. James Cook, the arrival of the missionaries, the māhele, which, starting in the 1840s, gave into foreign pressure to create private property forcing many Hawaiians off land they had cultivated for centuries. All of this culminated with the overthrow of the Hawaiian monarchy in 1893. The program includes rare footage of Queen Lili'uokalani hosting a party at Washington Place in 1915.

Hold Fast

SEPTEMBER 17

Part 3 focuses on how Hawaiians changed as a people and as a society after becoming part of the United States. This includes suppression of 'ōlelo Hawai'i, the Hawaiian language, and a move toward Western culture. It also recounts the renaissance of Hawaiian culture through language, mele and hula. The series features a musical score by Jon de Mello and is narrated by Honolulu Skylark.



PBS HAWAII

PRESENTS

THURSDAYS AT 8:30 PM

Scholars estimate Polynesian explorers from the Marquesas Islands discovered Hawai'i about 1,600 years ago, maybe earlier, after sailing in canoes more than 2,000 miles from the South Pacific. A second migration from Tahiti came several hundred years later.

They used wayfinding skills perfected over 1,000 years as Polynesians navigated the vast Pacific Ocean using wind, sun, stars, currents and other natural tools, long before European adventurers set out from their shores.

Hawaiians did not have a written language but kept and shared their history via chants, some lasting an entire day. In harmony with their natural surroundings, they created a powerful, sustainable culture full of ritual, mele and hula.

As part of Hawaiian History Month, **PBS Hawai'i Presents** *HAWAIIANS*, a three-part documentary chronicling the history of Hawai'i's indigenous people. The series premiered in December of 1987 as a culmination to Ho'olako: Year of the Hawaiian, an idea championed by the late Office of Hawaiian Affairs Trustee Tommy Kaulukukui, Sr.

In addition, **PBS Hawai'i Presents** two films by author/historian Tom Coffman, *O Hawai'i: Of Hawai'i from Settlement to Kingdom* and *Nation Within: The Story of America's Annexation of Hawai'i*.

O Hawai'i: Of Hawai'i from Settlement to Kingdom

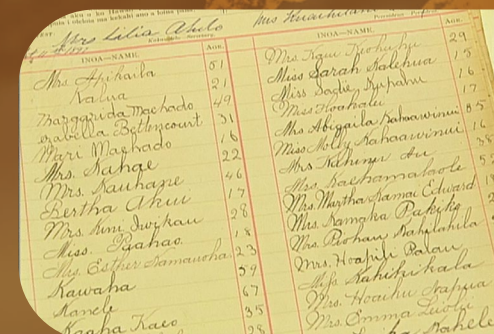
SEPTEMBER 24 (9:00 PM)

This 1995 film by Tom Coffman chronicles the history of Hawai'i from arrival of the first Polynesian explorers through the establishment of four separate kingdoms on Kaua'i, O'ahu, Maui and Hawai'i to the formation of one kingdom encompassing all islands. Featured in the film are Kumu John Keola Lake, artist Herb Kāne and author and scholar Rubellite Kawena Johnson.

Nation Within: The Story of America's Annexation of Hawai'i

OCTOBER 1

This 1998 film by Tom Coffman exposes the truth Native Hawaiians have known for more than 100 years about how Hawai'i became part of the United States. It recounts the exhaustive efforts by Queen Lili'uokalani and her supporters to resist annexation and restore the monarchy that was illegally overthrown.





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All programs offer closed-captioning.

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MONDAY

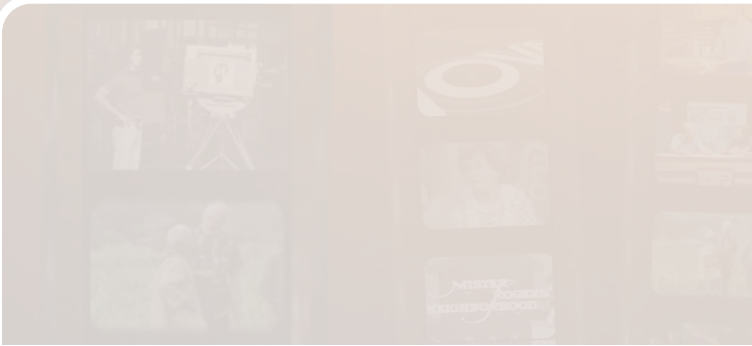
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THE MARLOW MURDER CLUB ON MASTERPIECE Season 3: *The Queen of Poisons, Part 1*
MARBLE HALL MURDERS ON MASTERPIECE Part 1 of 6
DOWNTON ABBEY ON MASTERPIECE Season 3, Part 6
TO THE CONTRARY WITH BONNIE ERBE
THE CHAVIS CHRONICLES

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THE MARLOW MURDER CLUB ON MASTERPIECE Season 3: *The Queen of Poisons, Part 2*
MARBLE HALL MURDERS ON MASTERPIECE Part 2 of 6
DOWNTON ABBEY ON MASTERPIECE Season 3, Part 7
TO THE CONTRARY WITH BONNIE ERBE
THE CHAVIS CHRONICLES

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THE MARLOW MURDER CLUB ON MASTERPIECE Season 3: *Murder in the Dark, Part 1*
MARBLE HALL MURDERS ON MASTERPIECE Part 3 of 6
TRESPASSES Part 1 of 4
AGES OF ICE *The Frozen Heart*
TO THE CONTRARY WITH BONNIE ERBE
THE CHAVIS CHRONICLES

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THE MARLOW MURDER CLUB ON MASTERPIECE Season 3: *Murder in the Dark, Part 2*
MARBLE HALL MURDERS ON MASTERPIECE Part 4 of 6
TRESPASSES Part 2 of 4
AGES OF ICE *Polar Seas*
TO THE CONTRARY WITH BONNIE ERBE
THE CHAVIS CHRONICLES

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NĀ MELE Dennis and David Kamakahi, Martin Pahinui, George Kuo
ANTIQUES ROADSHOW *Vintage Indianapolis*
POV Remake
AMANPOUR AND COMPANY

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NĀ MELE Joshua Kahula & Nuff Sedd
ANTIQUES ROADSHOW *Vintage Dallas Hour 2*
INDEPENDENT LENS *Ghost in the Machine*
AMANPOUR AND COMPANY

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NĀ MELE Keauhou
ANTIQUES ROADSHOW *Vintage First Finds, Hour 1*
NEW YORK: A DOCUMENTARY FILM *Shadows of the Past*
AMANPOUR AND COMPANY

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NĀ MELE The Lim Family
ANTIQUES ROADSHOW *Vintage First Finds*
ANTIQUES ROADSHOW *Vintage Honolulu*
VOCES Omara: Cuba's Legendary Diva
AMANPOUR AND COMPANY

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HIKI NŌ ON PBS HAWAII FINDING YOUR ROOTS *Artistic Roots*
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AMERICAN EXPERIENCE *Billy the Kid*
AMANPOUR AND COMPANY

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HIKI NŌ ON PBS HAWAII FINDING YOUR ROOTS *Song of the South*
FRONTLINE *The Man Who Knew*
MAN IN RED BANDANA
AMANPOUR AND COMPANY

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HIKI NŌ ON PBS HAWAII FINDING YOUR ROOTS *Rags to Riches*
AMERICAN MASTERS *Julia Alvarez: A Life Reimagined*
AMANPOUR AND COMPANY

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HIKI NŌ ON PBS HAWAII FINDING YOUR ROOTS *The Stories We Tell*
NEW YORK: A DOCUMENTARY FILM *The Future of Cities*
AMANPOUR AND COMPANY

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HIKI NŌ ON PBS HAWAII FINDING YOUR ROOTS *In Search of Freedom*
FRONTLINE *Scammed*
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PBS HAWAII CLASSICS *Filipinos in Hawai'i*
BIG CATS 24/7 Part 1
NOVA *Egypt's Tombs of Amun*
RESOLVE TO SOLVE WITH MILES O'BRIEN *Preserving Nature in Argentina and Antarctica*
AMANPOUR AND COMPANY

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PBS HAWAII CLASSICS *Lahainaluna 150th Anniversary, Part 1*
BIG CATS 24/7 Part 2
NOVA *Angkor: Hidden Jungle*
RESOLVE TO SOLVE WITH MILES O'BRIEN *Mindshift: Rewiring the Human Brain*
AMANPOUR AND COMPANY

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PBS HAWAII CLASSICS *Lahainaluna 150th Anniversary, Part 2*
BIG CATS 24/7 Part 3
NOVA *The Battle to Breathe*
AGES OF ICE *The Frozen Heart*
AMANPOUR AND COMPANY

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PBS HAWAII CLASSICS *Lahainaluna 150th Anniversary, Part 3*
BIG CATS 24/7 Part 4
NOVA *Knowledge Keepers*
AGES OF ICE *Polar Seas*
AMANPOUR AND COMPANY

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HOME IS HERE *Maui Cookie Lady, Hui Kū Maoli Ola Nursery, Timmy Chang*
BIG CATS 24/7 Part 5
NOVA *Stone Age Masterpiece*
AGES OF ICE *The Incubator of Life*
AMANPOUR AND COMPANY

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INSIGHTS ON PBS HAWAII PBS HAWAII PRESENTS *HAWAIIANS: The Time of Ao EONS: LIFE AND DEATH ON PANGEA*
PACIFIC HEARTBEAT *Te Puna Ora: The Source of Life*
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INSIGHTS ON PBS HAWAII PBS HAWAII PRESENTS *HAWAIIANS: Innocence Betrayed*
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PACIFIC HEARTBEAT *A Paradise Lost*
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INSIGHTS ON PBS HAWAII PBS HAWAII PRESENTS *HAWAIIANS: Hold Fast*
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PBS HAWAII PRESENTS *Corridor Four*
AMANPOUR AND COMPANY

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KĀKOU: HAWAII'S TOWN HALL *Hawaiians: He Ala Hou – A New Way Forward*
PBS HAWAII PRESENTS *O Hawai'i: Of Hawai'i from Settlement to Kingdom*
PACIFIC HEARTBEAT *Standing Above the Clouds*
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WASHINGTON WEEK WITH THE ATLANTIC
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AUSTIN CITY LIMITS *Carlos Vives*
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WASHINGTON WEEK WITH THE ATLANTIC
PBS HAWAII PRESENTS *Corridor Four*
GREAT PERFORMANCES *Verdi's Requiem: The Met Remembers 9/11*
AMANPOUR AND COMPANY

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WASHINGTON WEEK WITH THE ATLANTIC
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GREAT PERFORMANCES *Land of Gold*
AMANPOUR AND COMPANY

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WASHINGTON WEEK WITH THE ATLANTIC
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AMANPOUR AND COMPANY

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LUCKY CHOW *Paris: By Way of Vietnam*
FOOD. CURATED. *The Home Kitchen Empire*
PBS HAWAII PRESENTS *Pu'uwai Haokila: The Story of How Hawai'i Shaped Modern Music*
AMERICAN MASTERS *Sun Ra: Do the Impossible*
AUSTIN CITY LIMITS *Jorge Drexler*

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HOME IS HERE *Kawika Au, Yoza, Truest Hawaii*
FOOD. CURATED. *Pride on the Plate*
PACIFIC HEARTBEAT *Standing Above the Clouds*
PBS HAWAII PRESENTS *Hawai'i to New York: The Aloha Spirit Lives*
SURVIVING 9/11: WHERE WE STAND
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AUSTIN CITY LIMITS *ACL 12th Annual Hall of Fame Honors Brandi Carlile*

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RELISH *Hawai'i's Beef Stew and Loco Moco*
FOOD. CURATED. *Meatless in Manhattan*
PACIFIC HEARTBEAT *Pacific Mother*
AMERICAN EXPERIENCE *Butch Cassidy & The Sundance Kid*
AMERICAN EXPERIENCE *Bonnie & Clyde*
AUSTIN CITY LIMITS *Billy Strings*

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RELISH *Somali Sambusa and Nepali Momo*
FOOD. CURATED. *Roots, Recipes, and Resilience*
CRAFT IN AMERICA *West*
ROBERT REDFORD: STAR OF THE SILVER SCREEN
DIANE KEATON: STAR OF THE SILVER SCREEN
AUSTIN CITY LIMITS *Miguel*



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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	Odd Squad
6:00 am	Nature Cat	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	Arthur	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/Joy of Painting	
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	Life from the LBJ Library
5:00 pm	NHK Newsline	Cook's Country	NHK Newsline
5:30 pm	NHK World-Japan	Milk Street Television	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	Japanology Plus	Dive In Tokyo	Journeys in Japan	Medical Frontiers



PBS KIDS 24/7

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5:00 am	Cyberchase
5:30 am	Let's Go Luna!
6:00 am	Clifford the Big Red Dog
6:30 am	Sesame Street
7:00 am	Pinkalicious & Peterrific
7:30 am	Curious George
8:00 am	Sesame Street
8:30 am	Phoebe & Jay
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7:30 pm	Arthur
8:00 pm	Nature Cat
8:30 pm	Hero Elementary
9:00 pm	Cyberchase
9:30 pm	Let's Go Luna!
10:00 pm	Rosie's Rules
10:30 pm	Xavier Riddle and the Secret Museum
11:00 pm	Molly of Denali
11:30 pm	Alma's Way
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12:30 am	Weather Hunters
1:00 am	Odd Squad
1:30 am	Wild Kratts
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LOCAL PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

KALAELOA HERITAGE PARK: HIDDEN GEM

September 1, 15, 29 exclusively on YouTube @pbs.hawaii

Long before our islands became known as Hawai'i, the first families navigated their way to our shores at what we now call Kalaeloa, in West O'ahu. The now barren land once flourished as water flowed freely mauka to makai nourishing native plants and providing essential resources to people looking for a place to call home.

Nestled in what was once Barbers Point Naval Air Station, Kalaeloa Heritage Park might not catch the attention of most people driving by. It is unassuming and simple, but it is a hidden and priceless gem with the gift to take you back in time the moment you step out of your car. And if it weren't for the determination of one man and his ability to inspire action in others, Kalaeloa Heritage Park might never have existed.

The park lives because of Uncle Shad Kane. Ask anyone who knew him, they will tell you the park *is* Uncle Shad. His legacy lives on in each shell, each stone, each plant, each site discovered in Kalaeloa. His work was a true labor of love from establishing the park to sustaining it and ensuring that the history there remains in our present through the dedication and education of future generations.

As part of Hawaiian History Month, we'll take you on a journey through history, along the paths traveled by the first people to settle our islands and the mission to discover and preserve the hidden treasure of knowledge and living history that exists in our own backyard.

Don't miss this three-part PBS Hawai'i digital exclusive series **Kalaeloa Heritage Park: Hidden Gem** premiering Tuesday, September 1 on the PBS Hawai'i YouTube channel and pbs.org.



LOVE FOR LECHON kicks off Season 3 of 'ONO! Hawai'i's Food Culture Premieres Friday, September 4 at 11 am

Crispy, crunchy, craveable – just hearing the word lechon is enough to get those taste buds going. The third season of our digital exclusive series **'ONO! Hawai'i's Food Culture** launches on September 4 with a culinary journey highlighting Filipino culture in Hawai'i, the art of making lechon and how it has cemented its spot as part of Hawai'i's local cuisine.



From desserts to traditional dishes to the comfort food you can only find here, this season will serve up some of your local favorites across our islands as we learn more about the roots of the foods just about everyone is 'ono for. Catch up on all the **'ONO!** episodes on our YouTube channel @pbs.hawaii.



Top to bottom: Kawika Lauriano next to an agricultural sinkhole that was used to grow plants; Lauriano and board member Eric Matanane clearing weeds and debris from native plants on park grounds; Matanane and Lauriano at the park hale.

PBS HAWAII
PRESENTS
 9/11 25 YEARS LATER

Corridor Four

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 at 8:00 PM

Isaac Ho'opi'i is one of countless first responders hailed as heroes for their bravery in action on September 11, 2001. The Wai'anae, West O'ahu native was a K-9 officer who defied orders and risked his life to rescue victims at the Pentagon after hijackers crashed a plane into the building. He pulled people from the burning wreckage and also used his voice to guide others to safety through the smoke and debris.

That part of the story was well documented in newspaper and magazine articles and on network and local TV. Filmmakers Stephen Tringali and Maria Bissell set out to tell the story in a feature film released in 2017.

While making the film however, they realized that Ho'opi'i struggled with depression, stress and guilt for years after 9/11. He was not alone. Other first responders also suffered and did so alone. Some did not seek help and even if they had, there were limited resources. In some cases, that led to substance abuse and in extreme cases, suicide.

Ho'opi'i overcame his trauma through the support of his family and his love for music.

Hawai'i to New York: The Aloha Spirit Lives

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 at 9:00 PM

About six months after 9/11, Hawai'i TV journalist-turned-independent producer Emme Tomimbang Burns learned that two teenaged daughters of a fallen Bronx, New York firefighter, Ray Meisenheimer, were planning to perform a dance in honor of their father at a 9/11 remembrance event in their Long Island community. The song they selected to dance to was a September 11th tribute by Hawai'i boy band DisGuyz. When it was confirmed that the band would travel to New York to perform its song live for the dance, Tomimbang Burns followed with a crew to document the story. That trip led to a succession of stories about the Hawai'i-New York connection in relation to September 11th, resulting in the one-hour documentary.

PBS Hawai'i will air a commercial-free version of the documentary courtesy of 'Ulu'ulu: The Henry Ku'ualoha Giugni Moving Image Archive of Hawai'i, which is now the steward of the *Emme's Island Moments* collection. This will be the first time since her passing in February of 2024 that one of her programs will be broadcast on statewide television.



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Saturday, September 5 at 8:00 pm
Pu'uwai Haokila: The Story of How Hawai'i Shaped Modern Music

This Emmy-nominated documentary, produced by PBS Hawai'i and narrated by Nā Hōkū Hanohano Award-winning musician Raiatea Helm, documents how Native Hawaiian musicians traveled the world in the 1800s and early 1900s influencing blues, country and bluegrass and laying the foundation of modern American music.

The performances happened amidst political upheaval at home that threatened Hawaiian culture and sovereignty. Audiences embraced the innovative sound despite not understanding the language in the songs which included messages of loyalty to the Hawaiian nation.



Kawaihau Glee Club in Portland, Oregon 1907.
 Courtesy: Hawai'i State Archives

nā mele
 PBS HAWAII

MONDAYS AT 7:30 PM

September 7 | Dennis and David Kamakahi, Martin Pahinui, George Kuo

The very first **Nā Mele** episode is a jam session with Dennis Kamakahi, his son David, Martin Pahinui and George Kuo playing solos, duets and ensemble numbers.

September 14 | Joshua Kahula & Nuff Sedd

Maui native Joshua Kahula and his award-winning band Nuff Sedd share their innovative blend of reggae, soulful melodies and island vibes.

September 21 | Keauhou

The trio including brothers Nicholas and Zachary Lum with Jonah Kahanuola Solatorio play Hawaiian music from the early to mid-20th century, with a little help from Robert Cazimero.

September 28 | The Lim Family

Siblings Nani Lim Yap, Sonny Lim and Lorna Lim continue the family's musical tradition started by their mother at the Mauna Kea Beach Hotel in the 1960s.

KAKOU
 HAWAII'S TOWN HALL
 PBS HAWAII

Thursday, September 24 at 7:30 pm
Hawaiians: He Ala Hou – A New Way Forward

As part of Hawaiian History Month, PBS Hawai'i presents a special edition of **KĀKOU: Hawai'i's Town Hall**, bringing Native Hawaiians together for a direct conversation about where Hawaiians go from here.

The program will include the history that shaped this moment, including the long fight to protect and revitalize 'ōlelo Hawai'i, once suppressed and now carried forward by a new generation of speakers, educators and innovators.

While the growth of 'ōlelo Hawai'i remains essential, this KĀKOU expands the conversation well beyond language. Young Hawaiian leaders are clear about the needs they face today: access to education and career pathways, housing and economic opportunities, mental and emotional well-being, environmental protection, and a stronger voice in decisions that affect their communities. Panelists can also speak to Hawaiians' place in technology, governance, business, science and global innovation, areas where Hawaiian leadership is emerging but not often seen in media.

This live, statewide presentation invites viewers to join the conversation through calls, emails, and online participation, offering a platform for Hawaiians to define their future on their own terms.



HIKI NŌ

HAWAI'I'S NEW WAVE OF STORYTELLERS

 PBS HAWAI'I

Teachers are at the heart of everything we do at **HIKI NŌ on PBS HAWAI'I**. On September 19, educators from across the state will gather for our annual Teachers Conference to learn storytelling and production techniques from PBS Hawaii staff and industry mentors – skills they can bring back to their students. This year's theme, "Level Up Your Storytelling Game," celebrates the next step in empowering young voices.

New **HIKI NŌ** episodes will return in October with a two-episode special honoring outstanding students who graduated in 2026, along with one middle school student moving on to high school.



LOCAL PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

PBS HAWAI'I CLASSICS

WEDNESDAYS AT 7:30 PM

Filipinos in Hawai'i September 2

The *Spectrum Hawai'i* episode from November 1991 looks at the history of Filipinos in the islands, from the first immigrants who arrived in the early 1900s to work on sugar plantations to modern times, with Filipinos in leadership positions in government, business and the arts.

Lahainaluna 150th Anniversary September 9, 16 and 23

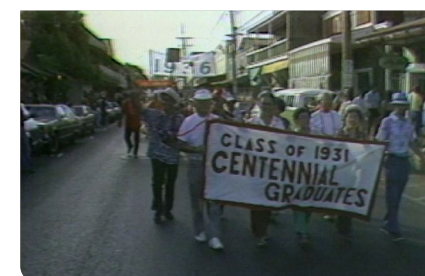
Founding day for Lahainaluna High School on Maui, the oldest school west of the Rocky Mountains, was September 5, 1831, making this month the school's 195th birthday.

In 1981, *Pau Hana Years* devoted three episodes to recount celebrations marking the school's 150th anniversary. The festivities lasted three days, with thousands of alumni flocking to West Maui to share memories, food and fun.

In Part 1, our cameras were there as graduates checked in, picked up their celebration packets, and combed through old yearbooks while bumping into classmates not seen in years. The episode includes an interview with the oldest living alumnus at the time.

Part 2 includes highlights of a parade down Front Street in Lahaina town, interviews with alumni who volunteered to "climb the mountain" to light the big L on the hill overlooking all of Lahaina and culminates with a lū'au on campus.

Part 3 is a collection of chanting, hula and mele performed throughout the three days of the anniversary celebration.



LOCAL PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



Pacific Heartbeat

The 13th season of **PACIFIC HEARTBEAT** continues this month with more films that draw viewers into the heart and soul of Pacific Islander experiences.



STANDING ABOVE THE CLOUDS

Saturday, September 12, 8:00 pm

When a massive thirty-meter telescope is proposed to be built on Mauna Kea, kia'i (protectors) in Hawai'i and around the world dedicate their lives to protecting the sacred mountain. Through the lenses of mothers and daughters from three Native Hawaiian families, the film explores intergenerational healing and the impacts of safeguarding cultural traditions.



PACIFIC MOTHER

Saturday, September 19, 8:00 pm

As freediving couple Sachiko Fukumoto and William Trubridge navigated maternity systems for the birth of their first child, a realization awoke in them about the lack of choices many parents face. Fukumoto connects with other mothers around the Pacific, from Hawai'i, Tahiti, the Cook Islands and Aotearoa (New Zealand) facing similar issues, having been cut off from indigenous birth practices.

NATIONAL PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



MARLOW MURDER CLUB ON MASTERPIECE Season 3

Sundays, September 6-October 11, 7:00 pm

Back on board as official civilian advisors to DI Tanika Malik's investigative team, the trio of Suzie, Becks and Judith returns to face a string of high-profile murders with their unconventional crime-solving methods. The series is based on Robert Thorogood's novels set in the English town of Marlow, Buckinghamshire, England.



MARBLE HALL MURDERS ON MASTERPIECE

Sundays, September 6-October 11, 8:00 pm

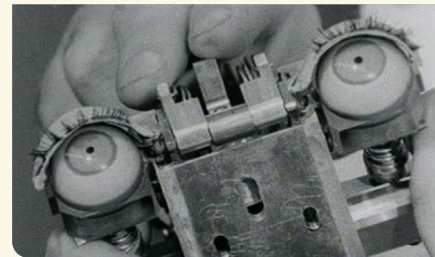
Worlds collide when editor Susan Ryeland (Lesley Manville, pictured) is hired to work on a continuation novel of the Atticus Pünd series. When the job leads Susan into another murder case, she unexpectedly finds herself a suspect, while within the novel, Pünd visits the island of Corfu and becomes embroiled in the suspicious death of a wealthy woman.



MAN IN RED BANDANA

Tuesday, September 8, 10:00 pm

This film tells the inspirational story of a 9/11 hero, Welles Remy Crowther. The young man worked on the 104th floor of the World Trade Center South Tower and saved at least 10 people on Sept. 11, 2001. Tragically, Crowther died that day, but his heroics became known later as a result of an ordinary item: a red bandana.



INDEPENDENT LENS Ghost in the Machine

Monday, September 14, 9:00 pm

The origins of artificial intelligence lie not in machines but in power, revealing the fantasies behind the hype that got us here and where we go next. This investigative documentary excavates the philosophical, cultural and political forces driving the global AI boom and lends perspectives on what AI is, how it works and how people can maintain a sense of agency in a threatening and overbearing tech-driven world.



AGES OF ICE

Wednesdays, September 16-30, 10:00 pm

This three-part series follows the scientists pushing the boundaries of exploration and human endeavor in Earth's coldest corners to understand the changes of ice and what this means for our planet's future. These explorers try to understand how the fate of every place and every creature on our planet is tied to these frozen extremes.



RELISH SEASON 6

Saturdays, beginning September 19, 7:30 pm

Chef Yia Vang returns to connect with more culinary experts and food makers to reveal the traditions, history and expressions of taste and flavor. Included are visits with two restaurateurs bringing the aloha spirit to the Midwest: Chef Warren Seta (pictured left, with Chef Vang) cooks up his grandmother's traditional beef stew and Chef Chris Ikeda puts a spin on loco moco.



CITY OF A MILLION DREAMS Postponed, airdate TBD

Jazz funerals are among the most recognized traditions of New Orleans, blending mourning and celebration. Explore their cultural significance through clarinetist Michael White, who, after Hurricane Katrina destroyed his home, struggled to rebuild his life and career. His journey reflects the broader themes of loss, resilience and renewal that define both the jazz funeral tradition and the city itself.



NOVA

Stone Age Masterpiece

Wednesday, September 30, 9:00 pm

Deep in southern France lies the Chauvet Cave, an archaeological treasure. Sealed by a rockfall 20,000 years ago and rediscovered in 1994, it holds some of the world's oldest and best-preserved Stone Age art, including depictions of animals that still vibrate with life. See the carefully planned compositions upending traditional understanding of art history and connecting us to the dawn of human creativity.

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NEXT MONTH



The World 'Ukulele Program in Bali Thursday, October 29 at 8:30 PM

Hawai'i musicians Keola Beamer, Jeff Peterson and others provided 'ukulele to children in Bali, Indonesia and teach them how to play the instrument as well. Maui filmmaker Tom Vendetti captured all the sights and sounds as cultures a world apart share music and aloha.

Top: Balinese students holding up 'ukulele provided by the World 'Ukulele Program. Courtesy of Tom Vendetti