

NATURAL TREASURES OF HAWAI'I FREE LECTURE SERIES

Last Wednesday of the month, 6:00-7:30pm
ING DIRECT Café, 1958 Kalakaua Ave., Honolulu, HI

Wednesday 5/25

STOPPING THE SILENT INVASION

Presented by Christy Martin

WHAT ARE HAWAI'I'S INVASIVE SPECIES?

How do they impact our native
ecosystems?

This talk will provide attendees with an understanding of Hawai'i's natural history including our more than 20,000 native species, the arrival of non-native (alien) species, and the challenges we face today with invasive species. Learn about significant gains and hurdles for better biosecurity at ports, early detection and rapid response, and ongoing control of invasive species and how you can help.



Christy Martin was born and raised on Oahu, where she attended Roosevelt High School. She received a BA in Marine Ecosystems and a Masters in Public Administration from the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa. She has spent most of her professional career as an educator, including teaching for eight years at the Waikiki Aquarium, and two years teaching at Hawai'i Pacific University. For the past decade, Christy has worked to raise public awareness about terrestrial and aquatic invasive species, first with the Maui Invasive Species Committee, and currently as the Public Information Officer for the statewide Coordinating Group on Alien Pest Species (CGAPS). She believes that an informed community can help bring about the necessary changes to protect Hawai'i from invasive species.



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