



Hawai'i Conservation Alliance
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Announcing the 5th Annual Hawai'i Conservation Week!

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(July 21, 2011, HONOLULU, HI)—The last week of July is Hawai'i's fifth annual Conservation Week, and the [Hawai'i Conservation Alliance](#) is honored to coordinate and spread the word about fun conservation activities and exhibits for the whole family!

During the last week of July, the State of Hawai'i observes Conservation Week in recognition of the need to take care of Hawai'i's unique natural environment. Conservation Week events aim to increase public awareness of key conservation issues affecting Hawai'i's lands and seas and unite Hawai'i's leadership in identifying conservation-related priorities of statewide significance.

“Hawai'i is blessed with a magnificent natural environment and abundant resources. Living amid such beauty is a constant reminder of the role we play as stewards of the land and sea, responsible for ensuring that these resources will be enjoyed for many generations to come,” said T. ‘Aulani Wilhelm, 2011 Chair, Hawai'i Conservation Alliance. “During conservation week we strive to build awareness and understanding about the value of protecting our natural resources: our water, trees, reefs, and more. The Hawai'i Conservation Alliance encourages the community to honor our island home by joining us to mālama Hawai'i as we celebrate the International Year of Forests here and throughout the world.”

This year's Conservation Week kicks off on Sunday July 24th with a free family fishing day at Ho'omaluhia Botanical Garden. Other events include the following and much more:

- a Natural Treasures of Hawai'i Lecture featuring Assistant State Soil Scientist Cynthia Stiles from the USDA, Natural Resources Conservation Service.
- an art exhibit opening reception showcasing Maui-based painter and park ranger Melissa Chimera's *Splendor: Portraits of the Natural World* and Honolulu-based nature writer and poet Adele Ne Jame, who will read poems inspired by the remote Hawaiian wilderness from her new book *The South Wind*. The two artists will also share from their collaboration *Land and Spirit* commissioned by the Sharjah 2009 Biennial.
- a Hawai'i Conservation Volunteer Fair, where participants can shop for volunteer opportunities to help Hawai'i's natural environment.

The full Conservation Week calendar can be seen in the table below, or viewed at:
www.hawaiiconservation.org/2011hcw



Hawai'i Conservation Week, July 24-July 30, 2011 – multiple locations	
Sunday July 24	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Free Family Fishing Day <i>10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., Ho'omaluhia Botanical Garden</i>
Monday July 25	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Community Mural Project at Kalihi Waena Elementary School
Tuesday July 26	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Natural Treasures of Hawai'i Lecture Series Cynthia Stiles, USDA, Natural Resources Conservation Service <i>5:30-7:00 p.m., ING Direct Café</i>
Wednesday July 27	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Splendor: Portraits of the Natural World</i> Opening Reception Melissa Chimera and nature writer Adele Ne Jame <i>6:00-8:00 p.m., The ARTS at Marks Garage</i>• UH Manoa Outreach College Sakamaki Extraordinary Lecture Maxine Burkett, Associate Professor of Law and Director of the ICAP <i>7:00 p.m., UH Manoa Architecture Auditorium</i>
Thursday July 28	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Free Twilight Concert <i>5:45 p.m.-6:30 p.m., Foster Botanical Garden</i>
Friday July 29	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No events scheduled
Saturday July 30	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Conservation Week Volunteer Fair <i>9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m., ING Direct Café</i>• Free Family Fishing Day <i>10:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m., Ho'omaluhia Botanical Garden</i>• Roi Reckoning, All Invasives Spearfishing Tournament/Charity Fundraiser <i>Ko Olina Resort - 4th Lagoon</i>• DOCARE Makai Watch Observation and Compliance Training <i>Shark's Cove, Pupukea</i>