

# The Campus Connection



Maui Community College

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## A Noble Affair

### Maui Culinary Academy's Annual Noble Grape Celebration Raises Over \$55,000



Over 300 people attended The 11th Annual Noble Grape Celebration at the Fairmont Kea Lani Resort & Spa on October 27, raising over \$55,000 for Maui

Community College's Culinary Institute. The Chinese New Year inspired event paired celebrity chefs Shirley Fong Torres and Stanton Ho and fourteen of Maui's top chefs with Maui Culinary Academy students to create delicious Chinese dishes, including "Twice Cooked Five Spice Lamb with Hunan Style Eggplant", "Szechuan Fun See and Crispy Mein with King Crab", and "Shrimp over Pohole Ferns with Garlic Sauce."

"The Noble Grape Celebration provided a wonderful educational experience and exciting opportunity for our culinary art students to observe, listen and learn from nationally and locally acclaimed chefs of the highest caliber," said Culinary Institute Program Director Chris Speer.

This event culminates an exciting year for the Maui Culinary Academy, which continues to experience vibrant growth in student enrollment. The program

recently received a recent five-year accreditation renewal by the prestigious American Culinary Federation Foundation Accrediting Commission. In addition, the student-focused Research and Development Center continues to prosper with highly successful new and value-added food products, such as the new Maui Coffee Spice Rub. Program initiatives in the areas of health and wellness, food sustainability, and environmentalism position the Maui Culinary Academy as a catalyst for positive change.

For more information about Maui Culinary Academy, call 984-3225 or visit

<http://mauculinary.com/academy/>.



## Technology Workforce Initiative Creates Jobs for Local Students



The Akamai Internship Program, which allows Hawai'i resident college students the opportunity to get involved in local research and technology, is expanding to become the Akamai Workforce Initiative (AWI). AWI builds upon the internship program to establish a pathway for local students to gain entry into a wide range of technology-based careers. In addition to placing students in the high tech industry, the program will create new courses with an emphasis on electro-optics at Maui Community College. Electro-optics is a crucial area of the high tech workforce, and Maui CC will expand offerings to meet the needs of a growing astronomy, optics, telecom, and remote sensing industry on Maui.

The Institute for Astronomy and the Center for Adaptive Optics (CfAO) will play key roles in bringing the most current technology into Maui CC's new courses, in addition to assisting with teaching and curriculum development. Students enrolled in courses or completing internships will get hands-on experience with cutting edge technology through laboratory units taught at the new Institute for Astronomy facility, "Maikalani" in Pukalani. Curriculum developed by AWI, and taught at Maui CC, will focus on recruiting students from a broad range of backgrounds, especially from groups that include women, Native Hawaiians, and other minorities who will diversify and enhance the workforce.

AWI curriculum will be designed specifically to be relevant to the entire community and will be driven by Maui high tech workforce needs. The Maui Economic Development Board will play a significant role in establishing a pathway from local high schools to electro-optics careers through classroom visits, community events, and connections to a number of outreach programs.

The Akamai Workforce Initiative is a partnership between the Center for Adaptive Optics, Maui Community College, the University of Hawaii Institute for Astronomy, and the Maui Economic Development Board. AWI was made possible by a grant from the National Science Foundation and the Air Force Office of Scientific Research, ongoing funding from the NSF Center for Adaptive Optics, and funding from the University of Hawaii to continue the Akamai Internship Program. For more information about the AWI contact Lisa Hunter at 808-573-9543 or [hunter@ucolick.org](mailto:hunter@ucolick.org).

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## National Contest Honors Two Maui CC Upward Bound Students



Maui CC and Upward Bound student Constantine Bolo won a gold medal Trio Quest Award for his photo and essay "Memories of War" in the secondary school division. Also in the secondary school division, Sabryna Corpuz won a silver medal for her photo and essay "Cockfighting". Upward Bound provides opportunities for participants to succeed in their pre-college performance and ultimately in their higher education pursuits. Congratulations to Constantine and Sabryna for their outstanding achievements!

Memories of War by Constantine Bolo

## How Wired Are Maui CC Students? The Results of Our Computer Tech Survey Are In!

Of the 600 Computer Tech surveys distributed to 35 Kahului instructors, the Hana and Molokai Educational Centers, and the Learning Center, 381 unduplicated surveys or 63% were returned and tabulated. Here are the results:

Do you have a computer at home	88% Yes	12 No
What type of computer:	33% desktop	37% laptop
	30% both	
Do you own an IPOD?	56% Yes	44% No
Would you take an Internet class?	86% Yes	14% No
Would you bring your laptop to school	70% Yes	30% No
Have you used the Internet for your classes	93% Yes	07% No
Internet Service	26% cable	27% DSL
	02% dial-up	35% wireless
	13% broadband	

## Taking Care of the Environment: How Maui CC is Making a Difference



Maui Community College education major Napua Barrows decided something needed to be done in response to Maui's declining fish and limu populations. She successfully spear-headed a limu restoration project in the Wai'ehu/Waihe'e area by replanting native limu, a necessary food for many of the reef fish. Since 2004, Maui CC students have been part of the community helping Napua. Students of Ethnobotany, Hawaiian Field Biology, and Ethnobotanical Resources Conservation have participated in GPS/GIS monitoring and photo documentation for base-line data, helping to record the changes in limu populations over time. This fall the students were

able to see the results of their hard work pay off with increased fish activity.

In other environmental news, Maui CC's new Student Life Building has been outfitted with water free urinals. The urinals, manufactured by Falcon, are proven to conserve water and save money while reducing maintenance time and cost, as well as creating restroom environments that are more inviting and hygienic. Flushing an ordinary toilet wastes approximately 1.5 gallons of water or more. With this new technology, the only time water will be used is when the cartridge in the urinals is changed which, over time, will save thousands of gallons of water each year.

# Upcoming Events

## Maui CC to Host 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Maui Water Resources Forum



Between recent droughts and an increasing demand for water, Maui's water resources are frequently in the news. Information provided to the public, however, is often conflicting, painting an unclear picture of how to address both current and future water-related needs. In order to shed some light on the situation, University of Hawaii-Maui Community College will bring businesses, organizations, community leaders, and water experts together on December 7th and 8th for the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Maui Water Resources Forum. The event will be held from 8am until 5pm in the Pa'ina Culinary Arts building on the Maui CC campus in Kahului.

The Maui Water Resources forum is intended to educate and inform the community about a wide range of water-related issues from a myriad of perspectives. Speakers and panelists include The Honorable Mayor Charmaine Tavares of Maui County, The Honorable Judge Robert Klein of McCorriston Miller Mukai MacKinnon LLP, Bill Tam of Alston Hunt Floyd & Ing Lawyers, Gordon Tribble of the U.S. Geological Survey, Lucienne de Naie of Maui Tomorrow Foundation, Inc., Jeff Eng with the Maui County Department of Water Supply, Clark Hashimoto with the Maui County Office of Economic Development, Garret Hew with East Maui Irrigation Co., Wesley Nohara with Maui Land & Pineapple Co, Inc., and Jennifer Stites with Dowling Company, Inc.

Panel topics presented will include: Components and Characteristics of Water Systems in Nature; The Ecology of Water: An Ecosystem Approach to Understanding our Water Resources; Water Infrastructure: Human Built Components of Water Systems; The County of Maui Water Use and Development Plan; Historical and Cultural Aspects of Water Use on Maui; The Legal Backdrop of Water; Identifying Maui's Cross-Cutting Water Issues; Implementing Community Based Watershed Stewardship; Water Use Conservation Strategies; and Youth Perspectives on Water Resources Use.

The Maui Water Resources Forum is sponsored by organizations including the Sustainable Living Institute of Maui (SLIM), Maui Tomorrow Foundation, Inc., Maui Land & Pineapple Company, Inc., Dowling Company, Inc., and Alexander & Baldwin, Inc.

The forum is open to the public and food and light entertainment will be provided. Since limited seating is available, early registration is recommended. Tickets purchased for the two day event before November 26 are \$17, \$20 before December 4, and \$22 at the door. Day passes are also available for \$10 before November 26, \$15 before December 4, and \$17 at the door. You can register by completing and mailing or faxing the downloadable registration form from the following link: <http://sustainablemaui.org/water.html> or by contacting the Sustainable Living Institute of Maui at 984-3379.

## Maui CC to Host the Maui Healing Garden Festival and Concert on December 1st

Hawaii Health Guide PRESENTS

**Hawaii Healing Garden**

**Ethno-Botanical Healing Arts Festival & TITO LA ROSA Benefit Concerts**

**SATURDAY - DEC 1**  
**Maui Community College**

**Festival: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM**  
**Concert: 6:00 - 8:30 PM**

**Hawaii Healing Garden Festival & New Healthy Hawaii Expo!**  
A Celebration of traditional cultural healing arts: Hawaiian, Ayurvedic, Chinese, Filipino, traditional healing arts practitioners, presentations, cooking classes and health fair with healthy exhibitor booths and more!  
Admission: \$5 Adults, 13 & under FREE!

**Plus the MCC Christmas Plant Sale!**  
8:00 AM - 12:00 noon at the MCC Greenhouse  
Poinsettias, herbs, vegetable starts, native plants, groundcovers.  
For more information - please call Ann 944-3243

**"Healing Sounds Concert"**  
**Tito LaRosa & Pauchi Sakai**  
with Puao Women's Native American Drum Circle  
Puao will open for Peruvian National Treasure and Sound Healer Tito La Rosa's traditional healing music. of Peru.  
6:00-8:30 PM Tickets: \$15 presale/\$20 at the door

**Also - NOV 29 Concert @ Studio Maui**  
**"Healing Journey of the Heart"**  
**Tito LaRosa & Pauchi Sakai**  
8:30-10:00 PM - \$20 presale/\$25 at the door

**www.HawaiiHealingGarden.com**  
Contact: 808-638-0868 info@hawaiihealthguide.com

The Maui Healing Garden Festival and Concert will be held on December 1st from 9am-5pm on the grounds of Maui Community College. The event will feature expert lectures, presentations, live music, cultural cooking demonstrations, an expo featuring numerous local businesses, and much more. A special evening "Healing Sounds" concert featuring Peruvian National Treasure and master musician Tito Larosa will be held from 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM.

In conjunction with the Healing Garden Festival, the Maui CC Agriculture Department will hold its annual plant sale from 8 AM until noon at the Maui CC Greenhouse, with poinsettias (9 varieties) as well as other herbs, vegetable starts, native plants, ground covers, and interior plants.

Presenters at the Healing Garden Festival include Dr. Michael Ancharski on Adaptogenic herbs; Kumu Kehaulani Kekua on Hawaiian cultural practices, hula and native forest preservation; Leon Letoto on cooking with in-season ingredients and Chinese medicinal herbs; Virgil Apostos on traditional Filipino healing arts; Margo Gal and Amma on Ayurvedic healing practices; Dr. Lorrin Pang, MD, MPH, and public health specialist on potential human health threats posed by the GMO papaya and other GMO foods; and David Leonard L.Ac on the medicinal properties of common plants and weeds that grow on Maui.

The Hawaii Healing Garden is an annual series of ethno-botanical healing art festivals presented state-wide to celebrate Hawai'i's unique medicinal & nutritional plants and diverse cultural practices. The series is presented by Hawaii Health Guide (HawaiiHealthGuide.com) and supported by: the Forward Foundation, the Hawai'i Tourism Authority, Bishop Museum, Waimea Valley Audubon Center, National Tropical Botanical Gardens, Kauai Community College, Maui Community College, Amy Greenwell Botanical Garden, and many other local businesses and individuals.

For more information email [info@hawaiihealinggarden.com](mailto:info@hawaiihealinggarden.com). The full event schedule is on line at <http://www.HawaiiHealingGarden.com>