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37th Annual Pan-Pacific Festival Announces 2016 Event Dates

Festival Celebrates Cultures and Traditions from Pacific-Rim Countries

HONOLULU – The 37th annual Pan-Pacific Festival, a celebration of cultural traditions of Hawai'i, the Pacific Rim and around the world, will run from June 10 to 12 at various locations throughout Honolulu.

Since its first celebration, the Pan-Pacific Festival has evolved into an international festival bringing various foods, customs, and people together and creating a more global community through the sharing and celebration of cultures.

The three-day festival consists of a ho'olaule'a (block party) complete with live entertainment on multiple stages, food, crafts and more. The celebration continues with Performing Arts Showcases, featuring cultural performances and demonstrations. The 16th Annual Pan-Pacific Hula Festival will be held daily on Waikīkī Beach featuring more than a dozen hula hālau (schools). The festival concludes with a colorful parade of lively costumes and performances by local and national high school bands and various ethnic groups marching along Kalākaua Avenue.

What:	37 th Annual Pan-Pacific Festival
Where:	Various locations throughout Honolulu
When:	Friday, June 10 through Sunday, June 12, 2016
Cost:	All events are free and open to the public
Information:	For more information, visit www.pan-pacific-festival.com
Details:	Times are tentative. Check website or Facebook after May 18 for updates.

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Friday, June 10	
10 a.m. – 5 p.m.	Japanese Cultural Showcase Hyatt Regency Waikiki Beach Resort and Spa
11 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Performing Arts Showcase Ala Moana Center, Centerstage
3 – 5:30 p.m.	Performing Arts Showcase Waikīkī Beach Walk Plaza Stage
6 – 8 p.m.	16th Annual Pan-Pacific Hula Festival Kūhiō Beach, Hula Mound
7 – 10 p.m.	Pan-Pacific Hoʻolauleʻa Kalākaua Ave. Lewers St. to Uluniu Ave.
7 – 10 p.m.	Street Dance Fest in Hawaii Waikīkī Beach Walk Plaza Stage
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<u>Saturday, June 11</u> 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.	Japanese Cultural Showcase Hyatt Regency Waikiki Beach Resort and Spa
10 a.m. – 7:30 p.m.	Performing Arts Showcase Ala Moana Center, Centerstage
3 – 4:30 p.m.	Performing Arts Showcase Waikīkī Beach Walk Plaza Stage
4 – 6:30 p.m. 7:30 – 10 p.m.	16th Annual Pan-Pacific Hula Festival Kūhiō Beach, Hula Mound
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<u>Sunday, June 12</u> 10 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Japanese Cultural Showcase Hyatt Regency Waikiki Beach Resort and Spa
10:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.	Performing Arts Showcase Ala Moana Center, Centerstage
2:30 – 4 p.m.	Performing Arts Showcase Waikīkī Beach Walk Plaza Stage
5 – 7 p.m.	Pan-Pacific Parade Kalākaua Avenue Fort DeRussy to Kapi'olani Park
7:30 – 10 p.m.	16th Annual Pan-Pacific Hula Festival Kūhiō Beach, Hula Mound