# Plantation Village News

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Spring 2011

# Puerto Rican Day Returns to Hawaii's Plantation Village!



Back by popular demand, Hawaii's Plantation Village is hosting another Puerto Rican Day on the Plantation! Last year's event was such a success that the Puerto Rican Heritage Society has volunteered to transform the Plantation Village into a Puerto Rican camp, complete with Puerto Rican music, food, and dance.

Traditional Puerto Rican music and dance will grace our stage all day, and the highly anticipated Puerto Rican Plate Lunches will be available for sale again. Be sure to come early and get your plate lunches before they sell out! Puerto Rican DJs will also be spinning tunes in the afternoon, so dust off those dancing shoes and join us on April 9th!

Relive the Plantation Days with this **FREE Family Friendly event! FREE Admission and FREE Parking!** 

Authentic Puerto Rican Food for sale: Pastele and Gandule Rice Plates

**Tour of** *La Casita* and other ethnic plantation houses

Puerto Rican Country Store
Free Genealogy Workshop in the Social Hall
Puerto Rican Music and Dance





All types of traditional Puerto Rican dance and clothing will be on display.



April 9, 2011, Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Hawaii's Plantation Village

Puerto Rican Day is supported in part by the Hawai'i State Foundation on Culture and the Arts through appropriations from the Legislature of the State of Hawai'i and by the National Endowment for the Arts. Additional support has been provided by the Hawai'i Tourism Authority and the City and County of Honolulu.

#### 2011 Board of Directors

Elections were held at our General Membership Meeting on January 23, 2011. Many thanks to the following individuals for serving this year.

#### Executive Committee

**President**Faith P. Evans

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### Kimono & Japanese Culture Exhibit Open



*Gaman: Japanese Legacy* is the name of our new museum exhibit. It showcases the culture and achievements of the Japanese in Hawaii. A special feature of this exhibit are the *kimono* from the Marlene K. Hirata collection, which includes over 80 *kimono*, *obi*, and other articles of clothing from the Plantation era.



## Notice Something New in our Parking Lot?

Thanks to Dan Nelson, our parking lot is sporting a new look for 2011: Stripes!

Newly elected Board Member Dan Nelson noticed the state of our neglected parking lots and took it upon himself to restripe our entire lot. Over three days and a case of Diet Coke, Dan restriped both lots and even repainted the handicap parking signs and blue safety curbing.

Many thanks to Dan for improving the quality of the visitor and volunteer experience here at the Village!

#### **Artist-in-Residence Katie Iwamoto**

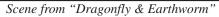


This past summer, our "Artist-in-Residence" Katie Iwamoto volunteered a few weeks of her time before returning to the University of Portland in Oregon. Katie has been working with our Educational Program to develop a series of storyboards that illustrate ethnic folktales that we can use with our lower primary schoolchildren. She has illustrated four sets of these storyboards, bringing to life folktales such as "The Legend of the Dragonfly and the Earthworm" (a Chinese tale) and "The Rooster from Barcelos" (a Portuguese tale.)

Done in a mixed media style that includes especially expressive watercolors, Katie uses her engaging style to bring these stories to life for the elementary grades.

Many thanks to Katie for volunteering her considerable talents to HPV and congratulations on her upcoming graduation!







Scene from "The Rooster from Barcelos"

### A Big Mahalo to the Following Donors:

Many thanks to our friends and supporters for their year-end donations and other "holiday cheer." Many thanks to:

Yaeko Ono, Angel M. Ramos, Garrick Koga, Doris Naumu, Domingo & Mary Los Banos, Thomas & Sally Fitzgerald, James T. Serikaku, Brian Y. Sato, Faith P. & Noel Evans, Amy U. Pataray, Daniel Boylan, Sumiko Oshiro, Judy Greenwell, James & Yoshiko Yamauchi, Douglas Chong, Elizabeth Young Norcross, Evelyn C. Chang, Steven Pang, Charles & Beverley Keever, and Keri-Ann M. Doi.

Many thanks to the Village Crafters for the proceeds from their Quilt Donations, and the Keiki Aloha Quilters for their generous annual donation.

Thanks to our special friend on the mainland, **H. Takeshi Toma**, for his visits and generous donations.

Institutional thanks to the Tsoong Nye Society and the Research Corporation of the University of Hawaii (via Patricia Halagao) for their contributions.

Special thanks to Geraldine S. Kane & Muriel Uyema, Village Crafters and longtime friends of HPV, for their especially generous donations.

#### 2011 **Events Calendar**

April 9, Saturday 10:00 am - 3:00 pm Puerto Rican Day on the Plantation (FREE) & Genealogy Workshop

> April 22, Friday 8:00 am - 9:00 pm Pabasa (FREE)

June 4, Saturday **Obon Celebration (FREE)** 4:00 pm Oahu Buddhist Sangha **Obon Service** 5:00 pm Food sales begin 6:00 - 10:00 pm Dancing begins

June 10, Friday Portuguese Chamarita Village Social Hall Details to follow!

September 17, Saturday 4th Annual Plantation Legacy Awards Save the date! Details to follow!

Executive Committee & Board Meetings

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May 10th, Tuesday **Executive Committee Meeting** May 19th, Thursday Board of Directors Meeting

September 6th, Tuesday **Executive Committee Meeting** September 15th, Thursday Board of Directors Meeting

December 6th, Tuesday **Executive Committee Meeting** December 15th, Thursday Board of Directors Meeting

#### **News from:**

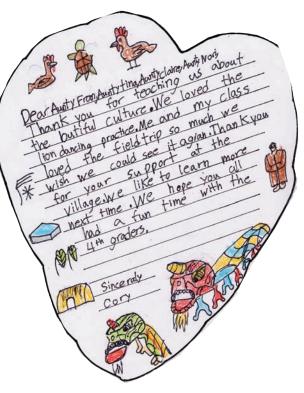


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#### Thanks to your donations...

Please know that your donations help to develop the high quality educational programs that we offer here at Hawaii's Plantation Village. Without your concern and cash donations, students from Kindergarten through College level throughout the state would not know about their cultural heritage.

Please consider making a tax deductible donation today! We can even accept charges to a VISA or MasterCard by contacting Rechie at 677-0110 or email at hpv.waipahu@hawaiiantel.net.



Letter of thanks from a recent school visit.

