HAWAIT CRAFTSMEN EDUCATE · CREATE · INNOVATE RAKU HO'OLAULE'A 2017

Raku Ho`olaule`a is an annual community raku ceramics workshop, firing and camp out in a beautiful beach setting on Oahu's North Shore. Founded in 1977, it brings together ceramic artists to participate in raku and pit firing techniques. The May 2017 weekend event is preceded by three April events: an Urasenke tea ceremony demonstration, a tea bowl workshop, and a Community Kiln Day, where members of the public can purchase their own tea bowls, glaze them, and watch them being fired. Artwork glazed and fired at the beach will be selected by jurors in Contemporary and Traditional raku categories for an exhibition in September.







THE RAKU TRADITION

The ideogram "raku" freely translated means enjoyment, contentment, pleasure and happiness. Originating in 16th century Japan, the first pieces of raku ware were tea bowls. Japanese raku potters worked exclusively to produce vessels for the tea ceremony, creating objects "according to the laws of nature." Hence, raku evolved as it did because of the tea masters' preferences for natural things.

TEA CEREMONY DEMONSTRATION

Open free to the public April 8th, Saturday, 10am -12pm UH-Manoa, East-West Center Garden Jakuan Tea House 1601 East-West Road, Honolulu, Hawaii 96848

TEA BOWL WORKSHOP

Open free to the public April 8th, Saturday, 12pm-5pm UH-Manoa, Art Department Ceramics Lab 2535 McCarthy Mall, Honolulu, HI 96822

THE COMMUNITY KILN

Open free to the public April 22nd, Saturday, 9am-2pm Honolulu Museum of Art School 1111 Victoria Street, Honolulu, Hawaii 96814

RAKU HO'OLAULE'A MAIN EVENT

Registration required May 26th, Friday through May 29, Monday Camp Mokule`ia 68-729 Farrington Highway, Waialua, Hawaii 96791

RAKU EXHIBITION

Open free to the public September 8 - October 7 Opening reception September 8th, 4-7 pm Gallery `Iolani, Windward Community College 45-720 Kea`ahala Road, Kane`ohe, Hawaii 96744

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