

Ia Ora Na from the 31st Annual Kiki Raina Tahiti Fete!!!

We hope everyone is ready to begin a great competition year! This is our 31st annual festival! We have some very special plans to make the fete an even better cultural experience. Enclosed, you will find all the rules and information.

As we fine tune the event, we will send out updates. The proposed schedule is below.

Friday, March 26th	8:00am	Registration
	9:00am	Opening Ceremonies Solo Eliminations with House Drummers (4-6, 7-9, 10-12, 13-15)
	12:30pm	Lunch
	1:30pm	Competition continues (16-18, 19-24, 25-34, Masters)
	6:00pm	Miss and Mr. Maeva Merced Pageant, Masters Solo Finals and Ahuroa Group Presentations
	8:00pm	Awards
	Saturday, March 27th	8:00am
9:00am		Solo Finals Begin (4-6, 7-9, 10-12, 13-15)
12:00pm		Lunch - Tamari'i exhibition
1:00pm		Tamari'i Groups
1:30pm		Drumming Group Competition followed by Solo Finals (16-18, 19-24, 25-34)
6:00pm		Awards
Sunday, March 28th	8:00am	Registration - 1st Place Advanced Soloists, Couples in Costume, Tamari'i Groups, Amateur and Professional Groups
	10:00am	Opening Prayer, Jr. and Sr. Overall Vahine and Tane Soloist Competition
	11:00am	Couples in Costume Tamure
	12:00pm	Lunch - Line Dance and Salsa Demo
	1:00pm	Novice Groups
	2:00pm	Amateur Groups
	3:30pm	Professional Groups
	5:00pm	Awards

**Schedules may change as we get closer to the event.

Because we know times are difficult, we have kept prices the same as previous years. We are currently negotiating the local hotel prices.

All craft vendors will be located in the Exhibit Building, across from the Commerce Building, where the dance and drumming competition will be held.

All food and drinks will be located in the Food Court. Food will not be allowed in the buildings or dressing rooms. This will be strictly enforced.

There is an outdoor stage in the Food Court. If there are any up and coming groups interested in performing outside during the day, please call to schedule.

Because of past damages and messy dressing rooms, we are requiring a \$100 deposit from all participating organizations. The check will be deposited in the bank and held until all fete buildings and group dressing rooms have checked.

The purpose of this competition is very clear. We are trying to maintain "Traditional" dance technique. The judges score dancers higher on traditional technique. Also, young dancers are discouraged from performing in a provocative manner.

Please do not enter advanced dancers in beginner/novice categories. It reflects on the judgment and reputation of the instructor. Make sure you understand the rules. Your students depend on the information given them by their leader.

Entry of non-competitors:

Soloists: One free entry for Kokua per seven performers on the day of competition.

Volunteers: For those that wish to help or those that wish to offset expenses, two hours of volunteer time will get you in free. Just fill out the volunteer form enclosed and send with a self addressed envelope.

This is a family event. **PLEASE, No Alcohol.** This will be strictly enforced this year by Security. Violators will be asked to leave the grounds.

If you have any questions, please call Pacifica at (209) 726-1925 between 10am and 6pm, Monday thru Saturday