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## HAWAII'S WORLD CLASS EVENTS CALENDAR January – June 2010

*Please note that events are subject to change without notice. For the most complete and updated Hawai'i calendar, please visit [Calendar.GoHawaii.com](http://Calendar.GoHawaii.com).*

### JANUARY 2010

◆ **January 4-10, 2010**

**SBS Championship (Maui)** – The 2010 PGA TOUR season-opening event, formerly known as the Mercedes Benz Championship, is one of the most prestigious tournaments drawing a winner's-only field from 2009. Taking place at the scenic Plantation Course at Kapalua Resort, players compete for a purse of \$5.6 million. For more information, visit [Kapalua.com](http://Kapalua.com).

◆ **January 10, 2010**

**New Year's 'Ohana Festival (O'ahu)** – The Japanese Cultural Center of Hawai'i hosts this family event at Mō'ili'ili Field to ring in the New Year. The festival features food booths carrying Japanese dishes and treats, arts and crafts – such as fish painting and calligraphy, entertainment and taiko performances. For more information, visit [JCCH.com](http://JCCH.com).

◆ **January 11-17, 2010**

**Sony Open in Hawaii (O'ahu)** – Held at Wai'ālae Country Club, the Sony Open in Hawaii is the first full field PGA TOUR event of the year. Spectators get upfront views of their favorite golfers in person and on a spectacular 400-inch Sony JumboTron. For more information, visit [SonyOpenInHawaii.com](http://SonyOpenInHawaii.com).

◆ **January 16-17, 2010**

**Wendy's Champions Skins Game (Maui)** – The 23<sup>rd</sup> edition of the Wendy's Champions Skins Game is played at Kā'anapali Golf Resort's Royal Kā'anapali Course. For the fourth consecutive year, some of golf's greats compete in the alternate-shot, team format that lends itself to drama and spectacular shots. Defending champions Fuzzy Zoeller and Ben Crenshaw lead the field this year. For more information, visit [PGATour.com](http://PGATour.com).

◆ **January 17-24, 2010**

**Mitsubishi Electric Championship at Hualalai (Hawai'i's Big Island)** – This tournament at The Hualalai Golf Course signals the start of the Champions Tour season with a legendary field of golf's great players competing for \$1.8 million. For more information, visit [PGATour.com](http://PGATour.com).

◆ **Januray 21-24, 2010**

**Ipu Cultural Festival (Hawai'i's Big Island)** – This annual event at Ipu Lani Farm in Hōnaunau celebrates the history and heritage of the Hawaiian *ipu* or gourd drum while raising awareness of a cultural icon. *Kumu* (teachers) and cultural practitioners will share their knowledge through demonstrations, classes, and an *ipu* farm tour. For more information, visit [HawaiiGourdSociety.com](http://HawaiiGourdSociety.com).

◆ **January 23-24, 2010**

**Pacific Island Arts Festival (O'ahu)** – Held at Kap'iolani Park in the heart of Waikīkī, the festival features close to 100 Hawai'i artists and handcraft artisans, and products including jewelry, clothing, stained glass, ceramics, quilts, bags, wood products, soaps, and candles. For more information, visit [ICB-Web.net/haa](http://ICB-Web.net/haa).

## FEBRUARY 2010

### ◆ February 1-28, 2010

**Maui Whale Festival** – Every year, the Pacific Whale Foundation throws a celebration to honor the thousands of humpback whales that migrate to Maui every year during the winter months. This year marks the festival's 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary and promises to be the biggest yet with an entire month of activities including guided excursions with Pacific Whale Foundation's expert marine biologists, a film festival, comedy show, and the main event Whale Day. For more information, visit [MauiWhaleFestival.org](http://MauiWhaleFestival.org).

### ◆ February 6, 2010

**Night in Chinatown Festival & Parade (O'ahu)** – Downtown Honolulu is host to a daylong block party celebrating the Year of the Tiger with fun and excitement, including food, martial arts, crafts, good luck trinkets, firecrackers, and music. The parade features color guards, bands, various Martial Arts clubs, and lion dances. For more information, call 808-951-0350.

### ◆ February 6, 2010

**Waimea Cherry Blossom Heritage Festival (Hawai'i's Big Island)** – This popular festival showcases the blooming of Waimea's historic cherry trees and *hanami*, the Japanese tradition of viewing them. A host of activities sprawl from Church Row Park to the Parker Ranch Historic Homes. Visiting performers and artisans from Japan demonstrate the arts of bonsai, origami, sumie, calligraphy, and tea ceremonies. The giant craft fair and mochi pounding demonstrations take place at Parker Ranch Center. For more information, call 808-961-8706 or email Roxcie Waltjen at [rwaltjen@co.hawaii.hi.us](mailto:rwaltjen@co.hawaii.hi.us).

◆ **February 13-14, 2010**

**Pana'ewa Stampede Rodeo (Hawai'i's Big Island)** – This amateur rodeo is a competition between cowboys/cowgirls, children, and *kūpuna* (grandparents) showcasing Hawai'i's *paniolo* (cowboy) culture. Events include team roping, calf roping, and breakaway roping. The event also features various food and craft booths along with demonstrations. For more information, call 808-959-8932.

◆ **February 13-14, 2010**

**Hilo Chinese New Year Festival (Hawai'i's Big Island)** – Held at the historic Kress Building on Kamehameha Avenue in downtown Hilo, lion dancers start the traditional New Year's blessings along the street. Firecrackers, Asian arts, crafts, international food booths, performances, and Chinese cultural demonstrations come together to celebrate the year of the Tiger. For more information, visit [PoshFestivals.com](http://PoshFestivals.com).

◆ **February 15, 2010**

**Hawaiian Telcom Great Aloha Run (O'ahu)** – The Hawaiian Telcom Great Aloha Run is one of Hawai'i's largest participatory events and considered one of the top road races in the world. This 8.15-mile run/walk starts at Aloha Tower Marketplace in downtown Honolulu and ends at Aloha Stadium. For more information, visit [GreatAlohaRun.com](http://GreatAlohaRun.com).

◆ **February 19-20, 2010**

**Waimea Town Celebration (Kaua'i)** – This annual two-day festival honors Waimea, one of the dozen distinctive destinations chosen by the National Trust for Historic Preservation. Enjoy island entertainment with lots of food, crafts, game booths, a beer garden, contests, and sporting events, including the Kilohana Long Distance Canoe Race along the Waimea shoreline. Amateurs and

professionals show their stuff with Hawai'i's favorite stringed instrument at the annual 'ukulele contest. For more information, visit [WKBPA.org](http://WKBPA.org).

## MARCH 2010

### ◆ March 2010

**Prince Kūhiō Celebration (Statewide)** – Prince Jonah Kūhiō Kalaniana'ole, also referred to as “the Citizen Prince,” is honored in this month-long celebration for his contributions to the Native Hawaiian community including his role as founder of the Hawaiian Civic Club Movement. The Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs (AOHCC) along with other major organizations representing Native Hawaiians come together to celebrate the many facets of Hawaiian culture with events featuring music, art, and more. For more information, visit [AOHCC.org](http://AOHCC.org).

### ◆ March 6, 2010

**The Great Waikoloa Ukulele Festival (Hawai'i's Big Island)** – Hawai'i's top ukulele performers come forth for a special evening of entertainment in a tribute to the well-known Hawai'i instrument. Guests can view special exhibits, including how ancient Hawaiian instruments were made, and even get a chance to make their own. For more information, visit [WaikoloaBeachResort.com](http://WaikoloaBeachResort.com).

### ◆ March 7 – April 2, 2010

**Art Maui 2010** – Showcasing more than 100 new works by the artists of Maui County, the annual art exhibition is a major venue for local artists and one of the most prestigious juried art shows in Hawai'i. Held at the Schaefer International Gallery at the Maui Arts and Cultural Center, Art Maui intends to be at the forefront of fine art development in the island's future. For more information, visit [ArtMaui.com](http://ArtMaui.com).

◆ **March 12-14, 2010**

**Honolulu Festival (O'ahu)** – This three-day festival shares a rich and vibrant blend of Asian and Hawai'i cultures with the rest of the world through educational programs, activities, craft fairs, demonstrations, and a Grand Parade in Waikiki filled with cultural floats and group performances. For more information, visit [HonoluluFestival.com](http://HonoluluFestival.com).

◆ **March 13, 2010**

**Kona Brewers Festival (Hawai'i's Big Island)** – Held at Kailua Bay at the King Kamehameha's Kona Beach Hotel, this festival features 60 types of ales and lagers, along with island-style cuisine from 25 Hawai'i chefs. Live music, a "trash fashion show," and hula are all part of the celebration. For more information, visit [KonaBrewersFestival.com](http://KonaBrewersFestival.com).

◆ **March 21, 2010**

**Big Island International Marathon** – Choose from a 26.2-mile marathon, 10.8-mile run, or 3.1-mile run/walk in one of the most spectacular environments for a running event. This scenic course takes participants along the ocean's coast, past waterfalls, and over narrow bridges and lava beaches. For more information, visit [HiloMarathon.org](http://HiloMarathon.org) or call 808-969-7400.

◆ **March 20-28, 2010**

**Prince Kūhiō Celebration (Kaua'i)** – This weeklong event honors the birthday and birthplace of Prince Jonah Kūhiō Kalaniana'ole, one of Hawai'i's most beloved monarchs. Held in Po'ipū, the free events include Native Hawaiian cultural demonstrations and classes on lomi lomi massage. The festivities wind down on Sunday with the Grand Hyatt Kauai Resort and Spa hosting the Prince Kūhiō Celebration Lū'au. For more information, visit [PrinceKuhio.Wetpaint.com](http://PrinceKuhio.Wetpaint.com).

◆ **March 22-27, 2010**

**Haili Volleyball Tournament (Hawai'i's Big Island)** – One of the premier volleyball tournaments in the United States and the second largest sporting event on Hawai'i's Big Island, this invitational event has grown over the past 50 years to include participants from most of the Hawaiian Islands, Guam, Samoa, Japan, British Columbia, and the U.S. For more information, visit [HailiVolleyball.com](http://HailiVolleyball.com).

◆ **March 25-28, 2010**

**Honolulu Family Festival (O'ahu)** – This four-day festival held at Magic Island features rides by E.K Fernandez Shows, live entertainment, acrobats, specialty acts, games, food booths, and much more. With free admission, this is sure to be an event for the whole family to enjoy. For more information, visit [HonoluluFamilyFestival.com](http://HonoluluFamilyFestival.com).

◆ **March 28, 2010**

**Lavaman Triathlon (Hawai'i's Big Island)** – The annual Lavaman Triathlon is an extravaganza of sports and fitness held at the Waikoloa Beach Resort. This event comprised of a 10K run, 40K bike ride, and 1.5K swim is open to individuals and relay teams of all ages and abilities, and is followed by an awards party and beach barbeque at 'Anaeho'omalu Bay. For more information, visit [LavaManTriathlon.com](http://LavaManTriathlon.com) or call 808-329-9718.

**APRIL 2010**

◆ **April 2-4, 2010**

**Celebration of the Arts (Maui)** – Held at The Ritz-Carlton Kapalua, the award-winning Celebration of the Arts is one of Hawai'i's premier hands-on arts and cultural festival. *Kama'āina* (local residents) and visitors are invited to experience the "Hawaiian heart and soul" through interaction with artisans, cultural practitioners, workshops, film, food and music. For more information, visit [CelebrationoftheArts.org](http://CelebrationoftheArts.org) or call 808-669-6200.

◆ **April 4-10, 2010**

**Merrie Monarch Festival (Hawai'i's Big Island)** – Considered by many as the world's premier hula competition, the Merrie Monarch Festival is a weeklong cultural festival that concludes with its prestigious three-day hula competition. Featuring female soloists and group *hula hālau* (hula schools) from around the world, the typically sold-out event showcases dancers competing in both *kahiko* (ancient) and *'auana* (modern) forms of hula. For more information, visit [MerrieMonarchFestival.org](http://MerrieMonarchFestival.org).

◆ **April 17, 2010**

**Kauai Ukulele Festival** – Renowned 'ukulele masters and the local community come together to provide a day of inspiring cultural entertainment featuring music and dance at the Kukui Grove Center in Līhu'e. For more information, visit [UkuleleFestivalHawaii.org](http://UkuleleFestivalHawaii.org).

◆ **April 24, 2010**

**Waikiki Spam Jam (O'ahu)** – This annual street festival celebrates Spam, the Hormel Foods product so loved by the people of Hawai'i. Great for all ages, the event takes place in the heart of Waikīkī and features local restaurants offering unique Spam dishes, entertainment stages, and Hawaiian crafters. For more information, visit [SpamJamHawaii.com](http://SpamJamHawaii.com).

◆ **April 24-25, 2010**

**East Maui Taro Festival (Maui)** – This two-day event in Hāna includes *'ono grinds* (great food) showcasing the different uses of taro. Celebrating what is considered the main staple of the native Hawaiian diet, visitors can experience poi making demonstrations, hula performances, live music, and other cultural activities. For more information, visit [TaroFestival.org](http://TaroFestival.org).

◆ **April 25, 2010**

**John B. Kelley Haleiwa Metric Century Bike Ride (O'ahu)** – This annual event hosted by the Hawaii Bicycling League includes over 1,200 bicycle enthusiasts and newcomers. Beginning at 7:15 a.m., the ride starts at Kaiaka Bay Beach Park and takes riders east along beautiful North Shore to Swanzy Beach Park, returning to the North Shore Marketplace. For more information, visit [HBL.org](http://HBL.org).

**MAY 2010**

◆ **May 1, 2010**

**Whalers Village Maui Onion Festival** – Celebrate the “sweet” Maui Onion with a weekend of fun, food, and cooking demonstrations at the Whalers Village in the Kā'anapali Beach Resort. Participate in the onion-eating contest, enter the amateur and professional cooking competitions, check out the art exhibits, listen to music, and walk through the farmers' market. For more information, visit [WhalersVillage.com](http://WhalersVillage.com),

◆ **May 1-2, 2010**

**Lei Day Celebration (O'ahu)** – As the most emblematic symbol of Hawai'i, lei and Lei Day has been celebrated in the islands since 1927. This two-day event held at Queen Kapi'olani Park in Waikīkī, honors lei and the traditions surrounding it. Festivities include pageants and competitions for lei queen, and the making of beautiful and fragrant flower lei. For more information, email Ka'iulani Kauahi at [rkauahi@honolulu.gov](mailto:rkauahi@honolulu.gov) or visit [HonoluluParks.com](http://HonoluluParks.com).

◆ **May 1-2, 2010**

**Ka'ū Coffee Festival (Hawai'i's Big Island)** – Following a successful inaugural event and a slew of international recognition in 2009, the event returns for a second year with a Miss Ka'ū Coffee pageant, and a *ho'olaule'a* (celebration) featuring competitions for best coffee and coffee recipe, farm tours, coffee demos, and more. For more information, visit [KauCoffeeFest.com](http://KauCoffeeFest.com).

◆ **May 2, 2010**

**Kaua'i Museum May Day Lei Contest** – Various interpretations of lei making are on display at this competition, one of the largest lei contests in the state. The Museum encourages participants to preserve the *'āina* (land) and use cultivated lei materials. For more information, visit [KauaiMuseum.org](http://KauaiMuseum.org).

◆ **May 2, 2010**

**May Day Mele (Hawai'i's Big Island)** – Each year, the art of lei making is celebrated at this Hilo festival where visitors can view a spectacular lei display, listen to live Hawaiian music, enjoy hula performances, and watch historic short films. This free event also features a street fair and lei contest all at the Palace Theater. For more information, visit [HiloPalace.com](http://HiloPalace.com).

◆ **May 2, 2010**

**Kaua'i World Challenge** – The best paddlers from around the world compete for \$20,000 in prize money at the Kaua'i World Challenge, one of the largest outrigger canoe and surf ski relay races in the world. For more information, visit [KauaiWorldChallenge.com](http://KauaiWorldChallenge.com).

◆ **May 6-29, 2010**

**Maoli Arts Month (O'ahu)** – The works of Native Hawaiians will be on display in various events throughout the month including a Native Hawaiian Arts Market and Keiki Art Festival at Bishop Museum on May 22-23, and the MAMo Wearable Art Show on May 29. For more information, visit [MaoliArtsMonth.org](http://MaoliArtsMonth.org).

◆ **May 8, 2010**

**Filipino Fiesta and Parade (O'ahu)** – Individuals of all ethnic backgrounds are invited to experience various aspects of Filipino culture and honor the strength of the Filipino community in Hawai'i. The celebration includes a historical cultural parade spanning from Fort DeRussy to Kapi'olani Park, a cultural village

with various booths highlighting the tastes and sounds of the Philippines, and a *Santacruzán* (historical beauty pageant) featuring Filipino beauties in a candle lit parade. For more information, visit [Filcom.org](http://Filcom.org).

◆ **May 12-15, 2010**

**World Fireknife Dance Competition (O'ahu)** – Skill takes center stage as competitors from around the world showcase the art of Samoan fireknife dancing. The most exciting and daring dancers spin their fire-lit knives and attempt to avoid the flames at the Polynesian Cultural Center to compete for honor and the title of World Champion. For more information, visit [Polynesia.com](http://Polynesia.com).

◆ **May 12-16, 2010**

**Big Island Film Festival (Hawai'i's Big Island)** – This growing festival at the Waikoloa Beach Resort is dedicated to new independent narrative films and filmmakers, and established films and actors. The event brings together locals, visitors, filmmakers, and industry professionals to its indoor and outdoor movie venues and festival panels, where attendees can meet the talented filmmakers and actors. For more information, visit [BigIslandFilmFestival.com](http://BigIslandFilmFestival.com).

◆ **May 15, 2010**

**Visitor Industry Charity Walk (O'ahu, Maui, Hawai'i's Big Island, and Kaua'i)** – Hawai'i Hotel & Lodging Association organizes one of the largest single day fundraising events by a non-profit group in Hawai'i. Walkers have access to food, drink, and first aid at checkpoints along the route, and will be treated to entertainment along the way. For more information, visit [CharityWalkHawaii.org](http://CharityWalkHawaii.org).

◆ **May 15-16, 2010**

**Honolulu Triathlon (O'ahu)** – This Olympic distance triathlon based at Ala Moana Park, features a 1.5K swim along the shore for spectator viewing,

40K bike course through southern O'ahu, and a 10K double loop run. The run course finishes at Magic Island where the Honolulu Triathlon Health and Fitness Expo begins the day before the triathlon. For more information, visit [HonoluluTriathlon.com](http://HonoluluTriathlon.com).

◆ **May 15-16, 2010**

**The Hawai'i Book & Music Festival (O'ahu)** – This event held at Honolulu Hale commemorates books, reading, and music in Hawai'i. The festival will feature a variety of local, national, and international authors, musicians, and storytellers. For more information, visit [HawaiiBookandMusicFestival.com](http://HawaiiBookandMusicFestival.com).

◆ **May 24-31, 2010**

**Honoka'a Town Western Week & Rodeo (Hawai'i's Big Island)** – Honoring its *paniolo* (cowboy) heritage, Honoka'a celebrates a week filled with a Paniolo parade, Old Time Market Day, sidewalk sales, arts, crafts and food booths. The Western Week Block Party, Country Dance Party, and Hawaii Saddle Club Memorial Day Rodeo finish the week of celebrations. Bring the family for a classic paniolo experience. For more information, call 808-885-5580.

◆ **May 27-29, 2010**

**Hawai'i Food & Wine Paradise (O'ahu)** – Get lost in paradise for four days enjoying fine cuisine, wine, spirits, and entertainment. The events held at the magnificent Ko Olina Resort on the westside of O'ahu and Halekulani Hotel in Waikiki features Hawai'i's top chefs serving some of the best that the islands' cuisine and agriculture have to offer. For more information, visit [HawaiiFoodandWineParadise.com](http://HawaiiFoodandWineParadise.com).

◆ **May 27-30, 2010**

**Nā Hōkū O Hawai'i Music Festival (O'ahu)** – This inaugural festival brings Hawai'i's talented artisans and musicians together to share their knowledge of

Hawaiian music, arts, and crafts through a variety of workshops, demonstrations, exhibitions and performances throughout Waikīkī. In addition to the informational sessions, the festival will be comprised of the Hawai'i Academy of Recording Arts Nā Hōkū Hanohano Awards and Lifetime Achievement luncheon. For more information, visit [NaHokuFestival.com](http://NaHokuFestival.com).

◆ **May 30, 2010**

**Banana Poka Round-Up (Kaua'i)** – The Kōke'e Museum presents an educational fair highlighting the creative functions of the invasive South American pest, the Banana Poka vine. Bring the whole family to enjoy the activities including basket weaving, live music, and presentations by environmentalist groups. There will also be face painting, hiking, and nature art for the kids. For more information, visit [Kokee.org](http://Kokee.org).

◆ **May 31, 2010**

**Lantern Floating Hawai'i (O'ahu)** – A time-honored Buddhist rite, candle-lit lanterns are individually set afloat on the ocean. Each year, thousands of people locally and from around the world gather at Ala Moana Beach Park to honor, pray, and wish for peace and happiness. The thousands of lanterns on the calm ocean are a beautiful site and a tradition of people coming together to pray for loved ones and wish for harmony and peace for the future. For more information, visit [LanternFloatingHawaii.com](http://LanternFloatingHawaii.com).

**JUNE 2010**

◆ **June 5, 2010**

**Ford Ironman 70.3 Hawaii Triathlon (Hawai'i's Big Island)** – This triathlon is a qualifying event for the Ford Ironman World Championship held in October. The Olympic distance race is comprised of a 1.2 mile swim at Hāpuna Beach Park, 56 mile bike ride on the legendary Queen Ka'ahumanu Highway, and 13.1 mile

run through Mauna Lani Resort's breathtaking grounds. For more information, visit [IronMan703Hawaii.com](http://IronMan703Hawaii.com).

◆ **June 6, 2010**

**Taste of Hawaii (Kaua'i)** – Dubbed the “Ultimate Sunday Brunch,” Taste of Hawaii is an extraordinary, upscale culinary garden party held at Smith's Tropical Paradise in Wailua. Enjoy food prepared by Hawai'i's chefs, imbibe at numerous beverage stations (beer, fine wines, water, soft drinks, coffee, and specialty coffee drinks and smoothies), and enjoy live entertainment all day. Voted “Best Community Event” on Kaua'i for four years running, the event is also a fundraiser for the Rotary Club of Kapa'a. For more information, visit [TasteOfHawaii.com](http://TasteOfHawaii.com).

◆ **June 11, 2010**

**King Kamehameha Celebration (O'ahu, Maui, Kaua'i, Hawai'i's Big Island)** – This month-long celebration honors the King famous for uniting the Hawaiian Islands. Statewide festivities include a *ho'olaule'a* (celebration), statue decorating ceremony, hula competition, and floral parades. For more information, call 808-586-0333.

◆ **June 11-13, 2010**

**Pan-Pacific Festival (O'ahu)** – Matsuri in Hawai'i began in 1980 as a cultural exchange between Japan and Hawai'i. Visiting participants from Japan were able to enjoy the familiarity of Japanese music, crafts, traditions, and foods, while Hawai'i residents and other visitors would gain a deeper appreciation of Japanese sensibilities and cultural heritage. The festival features events throughout Waikiki showcasing Japan's pageantry with a *ho'olaule'a* (celebration) block party, art fair, hula performances, and culminating with a grand parade down Kalākaua Avenue. For more information, visit [Pan-Pacific-Festival.com](http://Pan-Pacific-Festival.com)

◆ **June 16-20, 2010**

**Maui Film Festival at Wailea** – Equal parts film festival and lifestyle festival, nearly 8,000 people from Maui and around the globe descend on the luxurious Wailea Resort each year to sample the good life this event offers. Fabulous film premiers, gala parties, celebrity appearances, Hawaiian music and dance highlight five days of cinema – Maui style. For more information, visit [MauiFilmFestival.com](http://MauiFilmFestival.com).

◆ **June 24-27, 2010**

**Kapalua Wine and Food Festival (Maui)** – The longest-running and most prestigious festival of its kind in Hawai'i, celebrating the art of fine food and wine with a four-day culinary extravaganza. Inspired by innovation and excellence, the Kapalua Wine and Food Festival explores some of the most exciting trends in the gastronomic world. Festival host and Master Sommelier Fred Dame brings together world-renowned winemakers, top master sommeliers, celebrated chefs and industry insiders in fun, themed tastings, seminars, and evening gala events. For more information, visit [Kapalua.com](http://Kapalua.com).

◆ **June 26-27, 2010**

**Pu'uhonua o Hōnaunau Annual Cultural Festival (Hawai'i's Big Island)** – The festival held at Pu'uhonua o Hōnaunau National Historical Park includes a royal court procession, hula performances, and cultural demonstrations in net fishing, weaving, and Hawaiian food preparation. For more information, visit [NPS.gov/puho](http://NPS.gov/puho) or call 808-328-2326.

◆ **June 26-27, 2010**

**Hawaii Dragon Boat Festival (O'ahu)** – This festival, which originated in China as a ceremony to fend off evil spirits, is held annually at Ala Moana Beach Park.

The celebration kicks off with a movie night in the park, followed by a carnival, food and craft vendors, music and fun for the rest of the weekend. For more information, call 808-951-0350.

◆ **June 26 – August 15, 2010**

**Maui Jim Hawaii Marlin Tournament Series (O'ahu, Hawai'i's Big Island) –**

Hawai'i is well known for its big-game fishing excitement as anglers from across the globe flock to the islands in anticipation of snagging a prized marlin, yellow fin tuna, and other deep sea dwellers. The Maui Jim Hawaii Marlin Tournament Series captures the thrill with six events this year:

- ◆ 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Kona Classic – June 26-27
- ◆ 22<sup>nd</sup> Firecracker – July 3-4
- ◆ 19<sup>th</sup> Skins Marlin Derby – July 9-11
- ◆ 2010 Championship Dates – July 17-19
- ◆ 24<sup>th</sup> Big Island Marlin Tournament – August 13-15
- ◆ Lazy Marlin Hunt – August 28-30

For more information, visit [KonaTournaments.com](http://KonaTournaments.com).

◆ **June 27, 2010**

**Kona Marathon & Family Fun Runs (Hawai'i's Big Island) –** In addition to the usual marathon distance, the Kona Family Fun Runs offer half-marathon, 10K and 5K courses for runners of all ages and abilities who compete for prize money as well as raise money for charity. For more information, visit [KonaMarathon.com](http://KonaMarathon.com).

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