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# WUC 2003 Meetings

Meetings, East-West Center Topics, Schedule, Coordinators & Facilities Monday, Sept. 1, 2003

8:00 am Registration - Imin International Conference Center

9:00 am 1st Worldwide Uchinanchu Conference Opening Meeting - Greetings, Messages, Information - Keoni Room

**9:45 am** Coffee break

10:15 am 1st Worldwide Uchinanchu Conference Opening Meeting - Mr. Shinichi Maehara, Keynote Speaker - Keoni Room

Intercultural Exchange - Youth Programs - Asia Room

**11:30 am** University of Hawaii and University of the Ryukyus Exchanges - Keoni Room

**11:45 am** Lunch - all rooms

Intercultural Exchange- Youth Programs Lunch - Koi Room

**1:00 pm** 7th WUB International Conference Opening Meeting - Keoni Room

Uchinanchu Worldwide Identity - Pacific Room

Wellness and Longevity, Why Okinawans? - Asia Room

The Essence of Karate - Pago Pago Room Hawaiiana Workshop - Hale Halawai

Intercultural Exchange - Youth Programs - Koi Room Genealogy (Family Tree) Workshop - Sarimanok Level

**2:30 pm** Coffee break

**3:00 pm** Uchinanchu Travel Agents Forum - Kamehameha Room

Graduate School of Science and Technology - Keoni Room

Women Issues and Rights - Asia Room

Real Estate Opportunities in the 21st century - Asia Room

The Essence of Karate - Pago Pago Room

Hawaiiana Workshop - Hale Halawai

Intercultural Exchange- Youth Programs - Koi Room Genealogy (Family Tree) Workshop - Sarimanok Level

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# Welcome to all participants of the First Worldwide Uchinanchu Conference

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Meetings, East-West Center Topics, Schedule, Coordinators & Facilities Tuesday, Sept. 2, 2003

9:00 am Kenjinkai and Sonjinkai Networking - Keoni Room

Confronting Global Environment Challenges - Pacific Room

Hawaiiana Workshop - Hale Halawai

International Marriages, Uchinanchu Brides - Koi Room University of Hawaii and the Uchinanchu - Asia Room

Global Trade Workshop - Kaniela Room

Information Technology for Global Networking - Pacific Room Uchinanchu Performing Arts, Classic to Present - Sarimanok Room

**10:30 am** Coffee break

Uchinanchu Attorneys Network - UH Law School

**11:00 am** Chamber of Commerce, Ethnic Worldwide Network - Pacific Room

Goodwill Ambassadors Network - Asia Room

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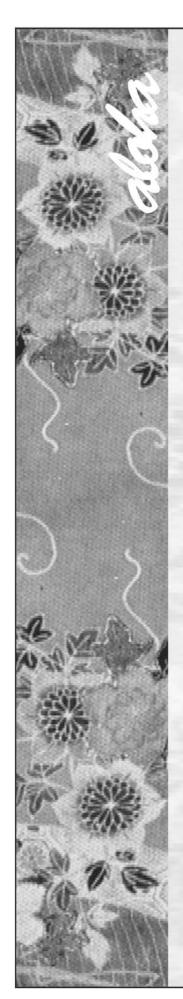
**12:30 pm** Lunch - all rooms

Women Leadership Workshop Lunch - Kamehameha Room

2:00 pm WUB International and OKIDO Joint Meeting - Asia Room

Uchinanchu Attorneys Network - Supreme Court

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## Hui O Laulima



Giving a helping hand



### Brief History of the Hawaii United Okinawa Association

Uchinanchu in Hawai'i have organized themselves for mutual support and socializing from the earliest days of the 20th century. The first of these organizations emerged in 1907, the Okinawa Kenjin Kai (Association of People from the Prefecture of Okinawa). Later, the Kyuyo Club (Club for Ryukyuan Pride, 1909-1913) emerged for a while, followed by the Hawaii Okinawa Kenjin Doshikai (Association of Okinawans Sharing the Same Goals, 1917-1925) and the Okinawa Kaigai Kyokai (Association of Okinawans Abroad, 1925-1928). Although they didn't survive, they serve as early examples of the aspirations of Hawai'i Uchinanchu community organizations.

The devastation of much of Okinawa in the last days of the Second World War galvanized another effort. From 1945-1949, Hawai'i Uchinanchu participated in a massive relief effort. They collected 150 tons of clothing and other small items. They raised tens of thousands of dollars to purchase and send medicine, medical supplies, pigs and milking goats back to Okinawa. And they assisted in efforts to build the University of the Ryukyus. Through these activities, individuals and groups of Uchinanchu rediscovered the need to establish a more formal Uchinanchu organization.

In 1951, 14 clubs organized themselves into the Hawaii Okinawa Kenjin Rengo Kai (Hawaii United Association of Okinawan People).

In 1995, the United Okinawan Association adopted its current name: the Hawaii United Okinawa Association. It is currently composed of 50 member clubs and one affiliate (Okinawan Genealogical Society of Hawaii).

### HUOA

Over the past 52 years of HUOA's existence, there were three occasions when the entire Okinawan community came together:

- 1.Relief effort to send clothing, medicine, farming implements, pigs, goats and other items to Okinawa after its devastation from World War II.
- 2.0kinawan festivals in Hawaii, starting in 1982, which grew to be the largest ethnic festival in Hawaii, annually attracting over 50,000 people to the two-day event.
- 3. Construction of the Hawaii Okinawa Center, the organization's home, with a grand opening in 1990.

And now with its sponsorship of the First Worldwide Uchinanchu Conference in Hawaii, HUOA has undertaken its fourth community-wide event.

<sup>\*</sup> Information for this brief outline came from Uchinanchu, Special 50th Anniversary Issue #86

# ALOHA AND CONGRATULATIONS

to our fellow Uchinanchus on your First Worldwide Uchinanchu Conference in Hawaii. We extend our best wishes for your success.



he first immigrants from Okinawa came to Hawaii in the early 1900's, including isseis from Misatoson. In 1930, families from Misatoson organized a club under the name *Misato Uyeho Jin Kai*. After World War II, the club's name was changed to *Ishikawa Shi Jin Kai*. For 73 years, members consisting of Niseis, Sonseis and Yonseis continue to perpetuate the Okinawan cuture and objectives of this association with many activities. We are forever grateful to our ancestors for what we have today.



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### Family Name, Given Name (Yago)

Front Row: Ishikawa, Choei (TamaMoto); Iha, Koei (IiMui); Ishikawa, Nabekichi (NakaShishiTamaMotoGwa); Ishikawa, Takehiro (Takehiro TamaMotoGwa); Ishikawa, Kana (KawakamiGwa, Yasumoto); Taira, Matsuju (UfuHirataGwa).

Middle Row: Iha, Kama (Nakama); Ishikawa, Shinki (TamaMotoGwa); Ishikawa, Uto (wife of Ishikawa, Kana); Taira, Hatsue (wife of Taira, Shinsuke); Iha, Kama (NakaMoto); Taira, Koro (MiYa); Sashida, Joei (KuChoSashida).

Back Row: Taira, Shinsuke (MiYa, second son); Kudaka, Iki (UfuKudaka); Ishikawa, Kameichi (MeYara); Taira, Kamekichi (MeTokuMotoTugai); Ishikawa, Matsu (Ishikawa, Choei's brother); Yamashiro, Kame (IiMoto); Taira, Matsuichi (NamboHirataGwa); Ishikawa, Joei (NakaUfuTa).





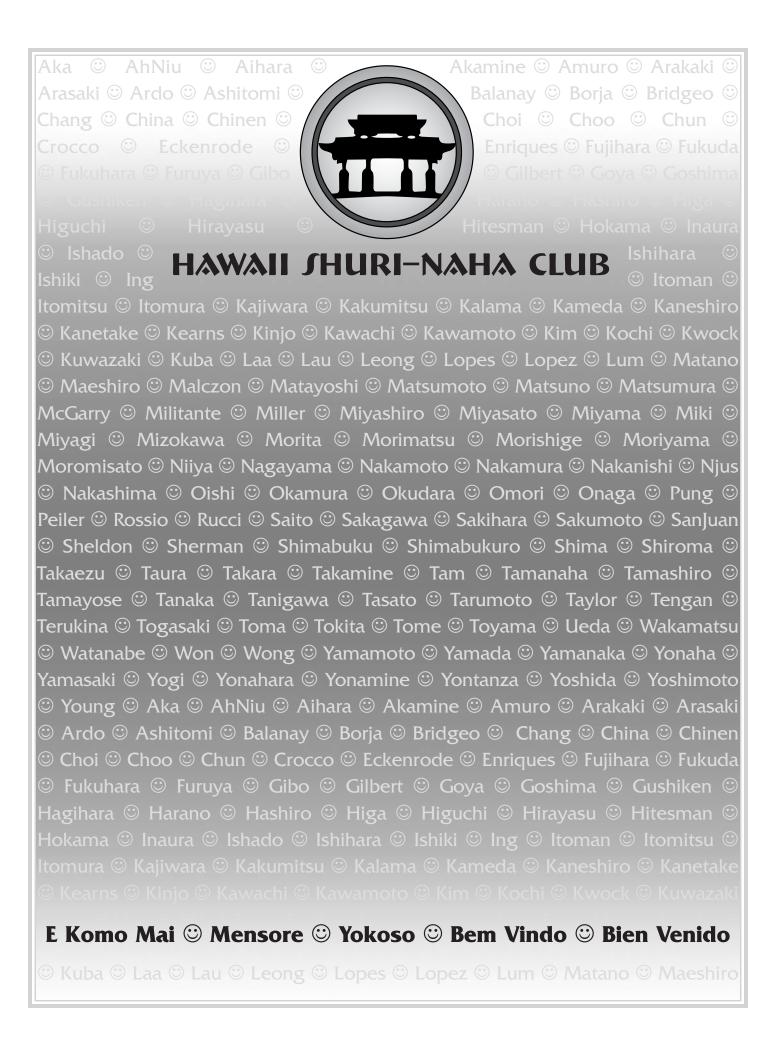
## Past Presidents of Hawaii United Okinawa Association and United Okinawan Association

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|------------------|---|--|
| Year             | ıjın kengo kai (Hawaii United <i>F</i><br>President | Association of Okinawan People) Sonjin Kai |
| 1951-52, 1952-53 | Dr. Henry S. Gima                                   | Tamagusuku Sonjin Kai                      |
| 1953-1954        | Dr. James Tengan                                    | Gushikawa Shijin Kai                       |
| 1954-1955        | Chozen Kanetake                                     | Naha Shijin Kai                            |
| 1955-1956        | Dr. James Tengan                                    | Gushikawa Shijin Kai                       |
| 1956-1957        | Dr. Henry S. Gima                                   | Tamagusuku Sonjin Kai                      |
| 1957-1958        | Shinsuke Nakamine                                   | Yonabaru Chojin Kai                        |
| 1958-1959        | Choki Kanetake                                      | Naha Shijin Kai                            |
| 1959-1960        | Sadao Asato   | Ginowan Shijin Kai                         |
| 1960-1961        | Dan Tsukayama                                       | Ginoza Sonjin Kai                          |
| 1961-1962        | Warren T. Higa                                      | Kita Nakagusuku Sonjin Kai                 |
| 1962-1963        | Yasuo Gushi   | Tomigusuku Sonjin Kai                      |
| 1963-1964        | Steven S. Chinen                                    | Bito Doshi Kai                             |
| 1964-1965        | Seian Hokama  | Osato Doshi Kai                            |
| 1965-1966        | Robert Taira  | Ishikawa Shijin Kaj                        |
| 1966-1967        | Dr. Henry Nakasone                                  | Club Motobu                                |
| 1967-1968        | Yuichi Ige  | Ginoza Sonjin Kai                          |
| 1968-1969        | Tommy Toma  | Awase Doshi Kai                            |
| 1969-1970        | Conrad Akamine                                      | Tomigusuku Sonjin Kai                      |
| 1970-1971        | Masato Kamisato                                     | Gushichan Sonjin Kai                       |
| 1971-1972        | Neal Y. Goya  | Naha Shijin Kai                            |
| 1972-1973        | Akira Sakima  | Ginowan Shijin Kai                         |
| 1973-1974        | Fumio Teruya  | Haneji Club                                |
| 1974-1975        | Reynold Teruya                                      | Yonabaru Chojin Kai                        |
| 1975-1976        | Peter S. Iha  | Chatan Sonjin Kai                          |
| 1976-1977        | Henry Y. Uyeshiro                                   | Onna Soniin Kai                            |
| 1977-1978        | Sam Y. Takushi                                      | Yomitan Club                               |
| 1978-1979        | Richard H. Zukemura                                 | Yonabaru Chojin Kai                        |
| 1979-1980        | Stanley M. Takamine                                 | Hawaii Shuri Club                          |
| 1980-1981        | Dr. David Arakaki                                   | Tamagusuku Sonjin Kai                      |
| 1981-1982        | Ken Kiyabu  | Yagaji Doshi Kai                           |
| 1982-1983        | Roy Kaneshiro                                       | Chatan Sonjin Kai                          |
| 1983-1984        | Gary S. Mijo  | Katsuren Chojin Kai                        |
| 1984-1985        | Noboru Yonamine                                     | Nishihara Chojin Kai                       |
| 1985-1986        | Dr. Ryokichi Higashionna                            | Gushikawa Shiiin Kai                       |
| 1986-1987        | Edward M. Kuba                                      | Hawaii Shuri Club                          |
| 1987-1988        | Richard Fukuhara                                    | Goeku Sonjin Kai                           |
| 1988-1989        | Maurice H. Yamasato                                 | Haneji Club                                |
| 1989-1990        | John Y. Tasato                                      | Ginowan Shijin Kai                         |
| 1990-1991        | Wayne T. Miyahira                                   | Gaza Yonagusuku Doshi Kai                  |
|                  | ,             | Nishihara Chojin Kai                       |
| 1991-1992        | Isaac K. Hokama                                     | Osato Doshi Kai                            |
| 1992-1993        | Warren H. Higa                                      | Nago Chojin Kai                            |
| 1993-1994        | Jane F. Serikaku                                    | Minami Nakagusuku Sonjin Kai               |
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We all extend our warmest aloha to the Uchinanchu and Uchinanchu-at-Heart attending the First Worldwide Uchinanchu Conference and, particularly, to all past and current presidents of Okinawan kenjinkai throughout the world!



| Hawaii United Okinawa Association |                        |                           |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Year                              | President              | Sonjin Kai                |  |  |  |  |
| 1995                              | Michael Abe            | Nago Chojin Kai           |  |  |  |  |
| 1996                              | Randall M. Kuba        | Hawaii Shuri-Naha Club    |  |  |  |  |
| 1997                              | Dexter T. Teruya       | Oroku Aza Jin Club        |  |  |  |  |
| 1998                              | Pamela E. Tamashiro    | Hui Makaala               |  |  |  |  |
| 1999                              | Lillian M. Takata      | Nago Chojin Kai           |  |  |  |  |
| 2000                              | Dr. Albert H. Miyasato | Club Motobu               |  |  |  |  |
| 2001                              | James Y. Iha           | Chatan-Kadena Chojin Kai  |  |  |  |  |
|                                   |                        | Wahiawa Okinawa KyoYu Kai |  |  |  |  |
| 2002                              | Gladys Tokunaga-Asao   | Tamagusuku Club           |  |  |  |  |
| 2003                              | George Tamashiro       | Wahiawa Okinawa Kyoyu Kai |  |  |  |  |
|                                   |                        |                           |  |  |  |  |





# A Brief Chronology of Okinawan Emigration

Uchinanchu have been "sojourners" for centuries, most notably during the entrepot trading period of the Ryukyuan Kingdom. But the adventuring urge alone cannot explain why there are more than 360,000 Okinawans (and their descendants) now living in far-flung places on the five continents. Instead, the reasons are tied to two significant social developments. The first large scale exodus of Okinawans occurred because of the social dislocations following its incorporation as the last prefecture of Japan and the Japanization experience. Secondly, the devastation and subsequent occupation of significant portions of Okinawa island by the U.S. military after the Second World War provided conditions for another large scale exodus of Okinawans.

On the eve of the Second World War in 1940. Okinawa's emigration ratio was 10%, the highest in Japan. It was a combination of extreme poverty caused by overpopulation and political oppression in Okinawa that caused 1 out of every 10 people to leave their homes in the Ryukyu Islands in search of economic opportunities and to escape political repression, including military conscription. The patterns of emigration followed the economic opportunities available in different locations, as well as the shifting immigration policies of those nations.

The Battle of Okinawa in the spring of 1945 left Okinawa devastated. Rebuilding processes were undertaken under U.S. Military Occupation until 1972, twenty years later than the rest of Japan. Internal displacement set off a second wave of emigration, particularly to South America. Emigration peaked in the 1960s and subsequently declined as governmental supports were withdrawn and as the Japanese economy developed.

The following table shows the number of emigrants and their destination. Some of the emigrants returned to Okinawa after a period of time, whereas others "settled" and established new communities.

|                  | Emigration Chronology |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
|------------------|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
|                  | 1899-1910             | 1911-1920 | 1921-1930 | 1931-1940 | 1948-1960 | 1961-1970 | 1971-1980 | 1981-1990 |
| Hawaii           | 9,654                 | 7,216     | 2,155     | 1,494     |           |           |           |           |
| Continental U.S. | 144                   | 381       | 207       | 131       |           |           |           |           |
| Philippines      | 488                   | 1,007     | 7,803     | 1,728     |           |           |           |           |
| Mexico           | 473                   | 18        | 228       | 45        | 12        |           |           |           |
| New Caledonia    | 637                   | 218       | 45        | 21        |           |           |           |           |
| Peru             | 150                   | 3,466     | 5,517     | 2,274     | 450       | 273       | 10        |           |
| Canada           | 152                   | 145       | 93        | 13        |           | 15        | 50        | 37        |
| Brazil           | 355                   | 5,352     | 3,580     | 6,427     | 6,906     | 2,187     | 341       | 60        |
| Pacific Islands  | 252                   | 70        |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| Singapore        |                       | 25        | 1,480     | 1,296     |           |           |           |           |
| Argentina        |                       | 212       | 1,302     | 1,640     | 2,737     | 922       | 197       | 37        |
| Java             |                       | 19        | 200       | 51        |           |           |           |           |
| Fiji             |                       | 11        | 9         |           |           |           |           |           |
| New Guinea       |                       | 1         |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| Sumatra          |                       | 2         | 68        | 11        |           |           |           |           |
| Cuba             |                       | 2         | 102       | 9         |           |           |           |           |
| Bolivia          |                       | 1         | 15        | 20        | 2,003     | 1,357     | 66        | 22        |
| Celebes          |                       |           | 241       | 123       |           |           |           |           |
| Chile            |                       |           | 1         |           |           |           |           |           |
| Others           |                       |           | 26        | 6         | 2         |           | 5         | 1         |
| Borneo           |                       |           | 91        | 414       |           |           |           |           |
| Thursday Island  |                       |           | 24        | 9         |           |           |           |           |
| Penang, Malaysia |                       |           | 15        |           |           |           |           |           |
| Paraguay         |                       |           |           |           |           | 27        | 3         |           |



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# Oh, Those Hairy Uchinanchu!



Back Row: Keith Ito, Derek Kobayashi, Hiro Nago, John Tasato, Henry Isara, Keith Nakaganeku, Rodney Kohagura, James Yonaha Middle Row: Wes Sakamoto, Bob Nakasone, Geroge Tamashiro, Morimasa Goya, Minoru Teruya, Masamitsu Nakazato Front Row: Ed Kuba, Tom Nago, Bob Krauss Not Pictured: Gabby Hayes

Okinawans in Hawaii are really hairy, if you listen to even casual observers. And if you look around, you can see that it is generally true. They are several theories for this hirsuteness:

- 1. Okinawans are descended from the hairy Ainu people of Japan!
- 2. Okinawans carry blood from the mongol hordes of Genghis Khan!
- 3. The Portuguese and Spanish sailors centuries ago left their "omiyage" in Okinawa!
- 4. Marco Polo and his caravan took a side trip to Okinawa for rest and recuperation!
- 5. The Lost Tribe of Israel ended up in Okinawa!

In any regard, Okinawans over the years have had fun with their hairiness, and lately Okinawans-at-Heart have joined in as well. The photograph above reflects we are all Okinawans!



### Hui Makaala Softball

Hui Makaala was organized at Jikoen Temple on January 11, 1946. The objectives of the organization for young Okinawan Americans included fostering understanding and acceptance of the American Way of Life: providing social. recreational and educational activities for its members and families: promoting better friendship among its members; and assisting students in pursuit of higher education.



Early in 1946, the University of Hawaii Scholarship Fund was established and awarded the first two recipients 4-year scholarships. This program continues today with its current fundraising event being the annual Scholarship Fashion Show which was started in 1970.

One of the most memorable and exciting gatherings of the Okinawan community Sunday after Sunday was the Hui Makaala softball league. The league was established in 1949 under the initiative and leadership of Mr. Tokuichi "Dynamite" Takushi. Sixteen teams participated in this inaugural year and Minami Nakagusuku emerged as the league champion. The following year, the Hui Makaala softball league swelled to forty teams in the open league, twelve in the Women's league, ten in the Makule "old" league, and six in the juvenile league. This produced a total of 68 teams with a participation of over 1,000 players on the team rosters. This program was considered the largest softball league in the world. The fans and families that turned out every Sunday to support the teams numbered 3,000 to 5,000, attesting to the popularity and appeal of this softball league.



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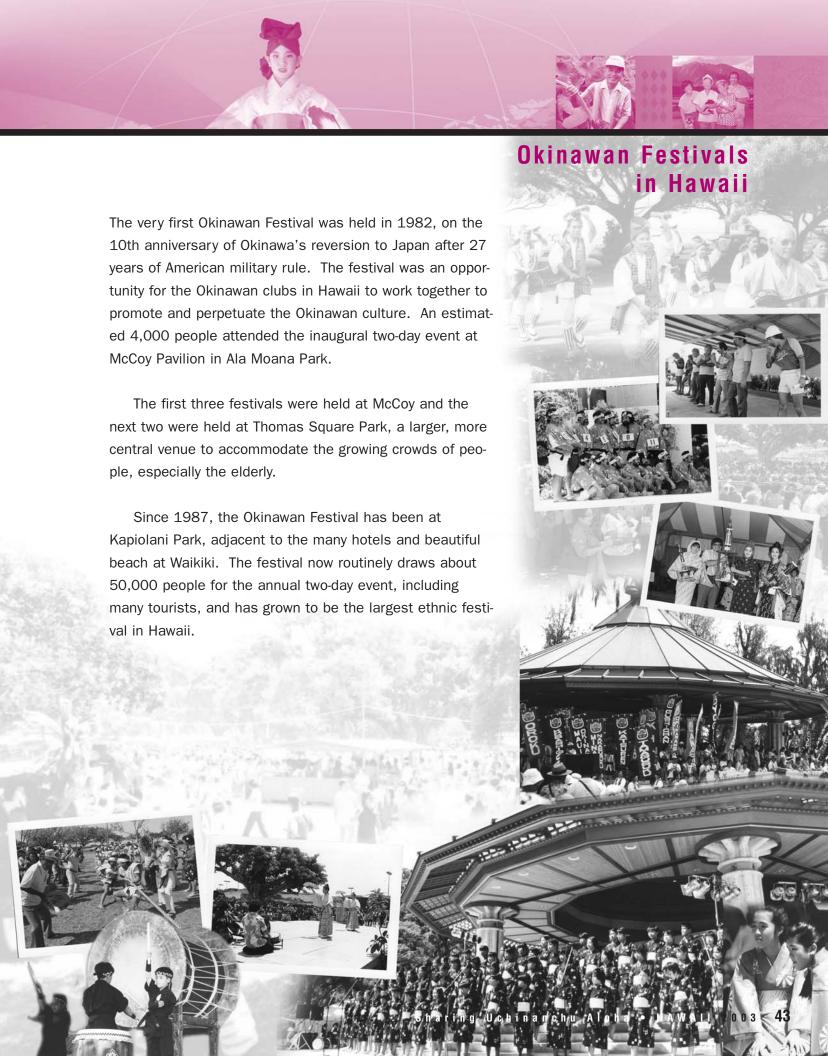


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## Hawaii & Okinawa Are Very Similar

Hawaii and Okinawa are beautiful island chains located 4,650 miles from each other, but they are remarkably similar in terms of their histories, unique cultures, economies and the like. The following are similarities these special island groups share:

| Population                 | <b>Hawaii</b><br>1,193,001<br>0.43% of USA                              | <b>Okinawa</b><br>1,222,389<br>0.97% of Japan   |
|----------------------------|---|---|
| Area                       | 6,425 sq. miles<br>0.2% of USA  | 871 sq, miles (2,267 sq. km.)<br>0.6% of All Japan  |
| Population / Sq. Mile      | 186   | 1,403   |
| Economy                    | Tourism, agriculture & US military                                      | Tourism, agriculture & US military  |
| <b>Gross State Product</b> | \$34,914,000,000<br>0.41% of USA GDP<br>\$29,266 per capita             | \$25,819,000,000<br>0.89% of Japan GDP<br>\$21,122 per capita                                   |
| Number of Tourists         | 6,800,000   | 4,500,000   |
| US Military Land Use       | 1.4% of state<br>15% of island of Oahu                                  | 10.7% of prefecture<br>19.3% of Island of Okinawa   |
| Resources                  | Limited mineral resources<br>People, sun and surrounded by ocean        | Limited mineral resources People, sun and surrounded by ocean                                   |
| Location                   | 22 deg north latitude<br>Island state, remote from mainland USA         | 24 deg north latitude<br>Island prefecture, remote from mainland Japan                          |
| Weather                    | Tropical  | Tropical  |
| Island Kingdom             | 1898 annexed to USA   | 1879 annexed to Japan   |
| Last Monarch               | Liliuokalani  | Sho   |
| Historical Trading Post    | Pacific trading post  | Asian trading post  |
| Major Battle               | Pearl Harbor  | Battle of Okinawa   |
| <b>Cultural Roots</b>      | Polynesian, Asian, American different than mainland USA, pidgin English | China, South East Asia, Japan different from mainland<br>Japan, Uchinaguchi (Okinawan language) |
| Internationally Recognized | State of USA  | Prefecture of Japan   |
| Bridge                     | East-west Asia-Pacific  | North-south Pacific-Asia  |



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# Okinawan Dance & Music in Hawaii

Okinawan dance and music, the jewels of Okinawa's traditional performing arts, evolved from Okinawa's distinctive history and culture as an independent kingdom at the crossroads of Asia. Okinawa had been influenced by the surrounding countries of Japan, Taiwan, Korea, Mainland China and Southeast Asia. But, over the years, Okinawa's dance and music have taken on a uniqueness of their own.

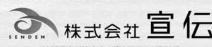
The issei who migrated from Okinawa to Hawaii took their beautiful culture with them. It was the Okinawan arts that brought a sense of identity and bolstered their spirits while living and working hard in a foreign land. And over the past century, Okinawan dance and music have flourished in Hawaii.





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