2014 at a glance

Our work honors the treasured hula elders of Hawai‘i.

HPS Hits The Road!

It was a landmark year with 10 programs on 4 islands! Reaching out to our diverse island communities, we started on Hawai‘i in January at the Waimea Ocean Film Festival. We then visited Lā‘ie, O‘ahu, in March to share digitized footage of late hula & musical greats. In July, it was Kaua‘i for the World Conference at Kilauea (we held an intensive Hula Ki‘i Workshop & various seminars). In September, we honored hula & musical families of Maui to open the 2014 Kā Mai Ka Hula Festival at the Maui Arts & Cultural Center. We wrapped up with HPS’s annual 3-part Cultural Series (embedded in the International Waikīkī Hula Conference) at the Hawai‘i Convention Center.

Hawaiian Room Reunion in the Big Apple!

In January, HPS held its 1st-ever Kickstarter campaign to complete “The Hawaiian Room” by Ann Marie Kirk. With 150 enthusiastic pledgers, we reached our goal! In October, the piece debuted where it all began - New York City. HPS led a delegation of 30 back to NYC for a week of Hawaiian Room celebrations with friends and family. Seventeen “Ex-Lexes” reunited from across the country, danced together in the old Hawaiian Room at the Lexington, renewed friendships, and received a standing ovation at the premiere. In November, the documentary film screened to a sold-out crowd at the ‘Oveti Film Festival, and the evening was again highlighted by beautiful hula from the “Ex-Lexes”. The film will be available for purchase on DVD in 2015. Thank you to all who made this amazing year for the Hawaiian Room possible!

Caring for Hula & Cultural Treasures

HPS has been blessed with contributions of hula-related items from our elders & community members. Along with the oral histories, these culturally-significant materials comprise the HPS Archive. We have enjoyed growing interest in these unique resources, and this year we presented at Ho‘okolé Na‘auo Hawaiian Librarianship Symposium, the Hawai‘i Digital Resources Symposium, and ATALM (the Azn of Tribal Archives, Libraries & Museums) in Palm Springs, CA. Our first ever national conference!

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Special Honorings

In August, Kumu Puanuni Alama was recognize by Hawai‘i’s Governor & Honolulu’s Mayor for the 55th anniversary of her Alama Hula Studio.

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We acknowledge and give thanks to the kūpuna of old Hawai‘i for their cultural legacy and hula wisdom.

Kumu Leilani Alama lived a life of hula and taught for 70 years! Her studio was a landmark in Kaimuki & hosted generations of hula enthusiasts. For the 60th anniversary of the 1980’s Nä Mäkua Mahalo ‘Ia footage), and the evening was again highlighted by beautiful hula from the “Ex-Lexes”. The film will be available for purchase on DVD in 2015. Thank you to all who made this amazing year for the Hawaiian Room possible!

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