



## FAQs for Hōkūleʻa Homecoming

### Where will the Hōkūleʻa Homecoming event take place?

The Hōkūleʻa Homecoming Ceremony and Hoʻolauleʻa will occur at Kālia, Oʻahu in the area referred to as Magic Island.

### What is the program of activities for the day?

7:00 - 9:00 a.m.	Hawaiʻi and Pacific Voyaging Canoes arrive at Ala Wai Channel on the Waikīkī side of Magic Island
9:00 - 10:00	Hōkūleʻa and Hikianalia arrive at Ala Wai Channel on the Waikīkī side of Magic Island
10:00 - 12:30 p.m.	Homecoming Ceremony
12:30 - 1:00	Break, lunch at leisure, Video presentation of voyage highlights
1:00 - 5:30	Homecoming Hoʻolauleʻa

### Will there be parts of the ceremony that all present will be welcomed to join?

ʻAe. Once Hōkūleʻa and Hikianalia crew disembark and assemble on land at about 9:45, please listen for the initial kāhea (call) by a crew member and join in on Auē Ua Hiti Ē (twice: once for each of the waʻa) followed by Ia Waʻa Nui. Later during the formal Homecoming Ceremony all will be invited to join in two other mele, Mālama Honua Welo i ka Niʻo and Hawaiʻiʻs Pride.

You can learn these mele online at [www.kanaeokana.net/hokuleahomecoming](http://www.kanaeokana.net/hokuleahomecoming)

### What will be happening in the large tent that will be set up at Magic Island?

The formal ceremony will take place in a large tent where guests will be seated for the first part of the day, by invitation. Following the ceremony, most of the chairs will be cleared away to allow the general public to enter and enjoy the afternoon Hoʻolauleʻa entertainment. However, the entire day's programming will be shown on a large screen outside the tent so that all in attendance can enjoy and participate in the celebration.

### Will hoʻokupu be received?

From 12:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. (during the Hoʻolauleʻa), hoʻokupu (lei, mele, makana, etc.) will be formally received at a tent located near Hōkūleʻa.



**What parking options are there?**

Parking at Ala Moana Beach Park will be extremely limited. If carpooling or catching the bus is not feasible, the Polynesian Voyaging Society (PVS) has arranged for free shuttles to take people to Magic Island from the locations below, every 15 mins.

Place	Pick-up start time	Pick-up/Drop off Spot	Parking Costs
Hawaiʻi Convention Center	7:00 am	In front of Convention Center, Street Level	\$10
McKinley High School	7:00 am	Shuttle stop at Pensacola Street	Free

Shuttles back to the two off-site parking areas will be available every 15 minutes starting at 12:30 p.m. and running until 7 p.m.

**Will handicap parking be available at Magic Island?**

Limited handicap parking at Magic Island will be available. Vehicles must have a placard-holder in the car along with an ID to gain access to the parking. These requirements will be strictly enforced.

**When can people start setting up at Magic Island Beach Park?**

The park closes nightly from 10:00 pm to 4:00 am. After 4:00 a.m. on the morning of Saturday, June 17, ʻohana and hui can start setting up hāliʻi (mats) and noho (chairs).

**Where are the best spots from which to view the activities?**

Because it will be difficult for everyone to see what is happening near the canoes and in the ceremonial areas, there will be a jumbo screen projecting the view from key vantage points. If you can see the jumbo screen, you’ll be able to witness the heart of the activities.

**Are there any limitations regarding park use during this special event?**

ʻAe. Because of the large number of people expected, normal park use will not be possible. Pop-up tents will only be allowed in designated areas around the perimeter of Magic Island in order for people to see the jumbo screen from throughout the park. Barbeques and open fires will also not be allowed.



### **Will there be food vendors at the event?**

ʻAe. These vendors will be at the celebration:

- Ahi Ambassadors
- Da Spot
- Hale Kealoha ʻAipono
- IL Gelato
- L&L Hawaiian Barbecue Hawaiian Plate and Mix Plate
- Teddy's Bigger Burgers
- Waimānalo Farms

### **Will drinking water be available?**

ʻAe. People are encouraged to bring water bottles that can be refilled at filtered water stations provided by Kōkua Hawaiʻi Foundation.

### **Will Hōkūleʻa memorabilia be available for sale?**

ʻAe. Polynesian Voyaging Society commemorative t-shirts will be available for sale.

### **Will there be a place for my bike?**

ʻAe. People are encouraged to use alternative means of transportation and there will be two bicycle valets to support riders. Riders will be given a valet receipt with exchange of their cell number in case they forget to reclaim. Bike valet hours are 7:00am-2:00pm.