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INDIGENUITY



E Ho'omaika'i... Tau Dance Theatre

Congratulations to Tau Dance Theatre! From the 'ohana of businesses – Old Lāhainā Lū'au, Aloha Mixed Plate, Star Noodle, Leoda's Kitchen and Pie Shop, Hoaloha Bakeshop, and Hoaloha Farms, we wish you another successful season of entertaining, educating and empowering your audiences!



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Welina mai kākou, and welcome to INDIGENUITY!

Our 2019 HŌ'INA production celebrated my triumphant return home, marking Tau Dance Theater's first Hawai'i production in seven years. I accepted a tenure in Fiji creating and spreading the word of Tau as the Artistic Director at the Oceania Center for Arts Culture and Pacific Studies at University of the South Pacific in Suva.

INDIGENUITY was cancelled in March, due to the continuing COVID-19 global pandemic. During this time of uncertainty and change, we must dig deep to rediscover our roots, our traditions, and our ancestral lineage for the strength to move forward. May INDIGENUITY awaken a collective sense of pride and inspiration for all of our global village during this holiday season. We want to thank the Hawai'i Theater Center, CEO & President, Gregory Dunn for their generosity and kindness in opening their grande hale and sharing their resources in making this performance possible.

Behold INDIGENUITY! An artistic celebration of gifts from our ancestors, native pride, cultural and spiritual awakening to transform the arts through the respectful evolution of indigenous dance, music and theater. Hawai'i is our host as we celebrate our glorious "Global Village" piloted by our fearless navigator Tau, together we explore the vast reach of indigenous arts in the present, boldly holding time and space in the now to benefit future generations. Oceania is rich with mana and INDIGENUITY is created with a vision to unite us as one artistic tribe, celebrating our cultures. What we create and share today, makes for a better tomorrow. Featured guest artists include: Native Hawaiian music sensation Pōmaika'i Keawe; 2019 Artist of the Year - Native American Music Awards, Shelley Morningsong (Northern Cheyenne); 2018 Gathering of Nations - 1st Place Men's Traditional, Fabian Fontenelle (Zuni/Omaha); Rap and YouTube sensation, Arias Hoyle (Tlingit - Juneau, Alaska).

Words can never truly express the BIG Mahalo we have for the many people who have made this production possible: My parents, Pedro Damien Jr. & Rosemarie Frances Espiritu. The Executive Board of Directors, Jean E. Rolles, Puakea Nogelmeier, Amy Hanaiali'i, KŪPAOA, Te Vaka, New Hope, The Tau HUI! Courtney Oyama, Highgate-Kelly Saunders, The Alohilani Resort, Aston Waikiki Beach Hotel, Xerox Hawai'i, Page Academy of Dance, Dialta & Vittorio Alliata Di Montereale, Tau Y2 HUI, Ha.Ka. Productions Inc., 808 Video Productions, Pierre Grill, Jessica Pereira and the many unsung hero's in the wings contributing every day!

Malama Pono,

Peter Rockford Espiritu- Executive & Artistic Director

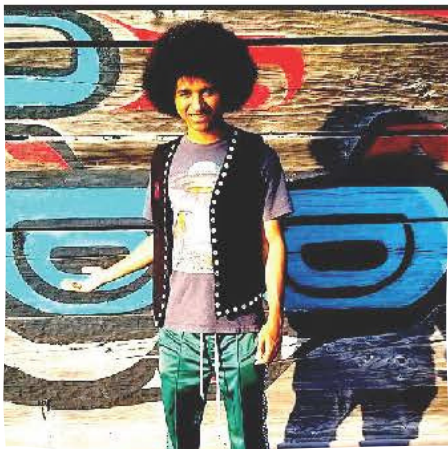
Featured Guest Artists



Shelley Morningsong & Fabian Fontenelle

Shelley Morningsong (Northern Cheyenne) 2019 Native American Music Awards “Artist of the Year” Singer, Songwriter, Grammy Member, has recorded seven sensational Native American Contemporary albums and has emerged as one of New Mexico’s finest Native American performers. Shelley’s husband and musical partner Fabian Fontenelle (Zuni/Omaha) is an original member of the American Indian Dance Theater. Fabian adds a breathtaking and beautiful element to their performance with his traditional northern plains style dancing, storytelling and drumming.

www.shelleymorningsongonline.com



Arias Hoyle - AKA. Air Jazz

Alaska Native Hip-hop recording artist. Most known for Ixsixán Ax Kwáan (I Love You My People). Manifests his Alaskan heritage through English/Tlingit rap, and producing Indigenous beats with woodwinds, oriental strings, and soundscapes. His musical style is as vibrant as his clothing style; puts Northwest Coast Formline into sound. Here to put AK rap on the map!



Pōmaika'i Keawe

Pōmaika'i Keawe is a Performing Artist, Educator & Administrator, Event Producer and a former Mrs. Hawai'i. Pōmaika'i works with youth for Hawaiian-focused charter schools, she has spearheaded the annual Ho'omau Concert, benefiting Hawaiian Language Immersion schools and worked tirelessly for non-profit organizations, Mana Maoli and Genoa Keawe Foundation. The grand-daughter of Hawaiian music legend, Auntie Genoa Keawe, Pōmaika'i is paving her own career path while perpetuating the legacy of her grandmother.

Program

Opening

Executive & Artistic Director: Peter Rockford Espiritu

Pate Pate

Choreography: The late Allan Tuilangi Alo

Music: Te Vaka

Costumes: Puamana Crabbe

Hair & Accessories: Arthur B. Wilson III

Rehearsal Director: Ateca Halamehi Likukula Ravuvu - Moana Loa Performing Arts Center (Fiji)

Dancers: Peter Rockford Espiritu, Alaana Seno, MaileGinger Ripp, Keala Fung, Sequoia Carr-Brown, Chai Blair-Stahn, Frank Ka'anana Akima, Jonathan Clarke Syper, Devon Izumigawa

Pōmaika'i

Choreography: Peter Rockford Espiritu

Singer: Pōmaika'i Keawe

Hawaiian Translation & Adaptation: Dr. Puakea Nogelmeier

Gown: MANAOLA

Hair & Accessories: Arthur B. Wilson III

Costumes: Jessica Pereira - Sacred Hearts Academy Dance

Dancers: Blake Yamasato, Audrey Hummel, Jessica Pereira, Bridgette Sutton, Keiko Mori, Emma Fujitani



ZIBIT'/This is Alaska

Featured Guest Artist: Arias Hoyle & Chris Talley

Rain

Choreography: Peter Rockford Espiritu

Music: Amy Hanaiali'i

Costumes: Puamana Crabbe, Kamakoa Page Zablan - Page Academy of Dance

Hair & Accessories: Arthur B. Wilson III

Dancers: Blake Yamasato, Bridgette Sutton, Audrey Hummel, Jessica Pereira, Keala Fung, Alaana Seno, MaileGinger Ripp, Frank Ka'anana Akima, Chai Blair-Stahn, Emma Fujitani



Everything is One Thing

Featured Guest Artists: Shelley Morningsong Fontenelle & Fabian Fontenelle

Program

He 'Ole Loa

Singer: Pōmaika'i Keawe

Hawaiian Translation & Adaptation: Dr. Puakea Nogelmeier

Gown: MANAOLA



Afro Celt

Choreography: The late Allan Tuilangi Alo

Music: Te Vaka

Costumes: Puamana Crabbe, Alaana Seno, Yvonne Samia

Hair & Accessories: Arthur B. Wilson III

Rehearsal Director: Ateca Halamehi Likukula Ravuvu - Moana Loa Performing Arts Center (Fiji)

Dancers: Peter Rockford Espiritu, Alaana Seno, MaileGinger Ripp, Keala Fung, Sequoia Carr-Brown, Chai Blair-Stahn, Frank Ka'anana Akima, Jonathan Clarke Sybert, Devon Izumigawa

Ixsixán, Ax Kwáan (I Love You My People)

Featured Guest Artists: Arias Hoyle

Tohoku

Choreography: Peter Rockford Espiritu (Modern Ballet), Frank Ka'anana Akima & Eleena Helenihi (Kananiokeakua School of Hula)

Music: KŪPAOA - Kelen & Lihau Paik

Costumes: Puamana Crabbe, Jessica Pereira - Sacred Hearts Academy Dance

Dancers: Peter Rockford Espiritu, Alaana Seno, Frank Ka'anana Akima

Tau Y2: Kendra Arakaki, Larisa Au, Caylie Xu, Emma Fujisaki, Mikena Gillis, Sarah Ing, Daryllynn Jaralba, Mia Jaralba, Ava Lee, Vai'iti Lopez, Ellah Nakaoka, Caleigh-Ruth Nakata, Gabriel Ryan-Kern, Atanuamai'ālia Seno

Faithful Feet

Featured Guest Artists: Shelley Morningsong Fontenelle & Fabian Fontenelle

Worship

Choreography: Peter Rockford Espiritu

Music: New Hope O'ahu, featuring Jana Anguay Alcain

Costumes: Puamana Crabbe

Dancers: Peter Rockford Espiritu, Frank Ka'anana Akima, Alaana Seno, Blake Yamasato, Chai Blair-Stahn, MaileGinger Ripp, Audrey Hummel, Jessica Pereira, Bridgette Sutton, Keala Fung, Devon Izumigawa, Ondina Hiel



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