

That Loy Krathong Festival 2017







Come and join uS





At Queen Kapiolani Park, Bandstand. Waikiki Beach Saturday, November 11, 2017

From 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Join and cheer on our Queen & Angel of "Loy Krathong" Festival 2017 Contest
 Thai Folk Dance → Thai Classical Dance → Thai Country Music → Thai Cooking Demo
 Muay Thai Kick Boxing ➤ Thai Khlong Yao Drums → Loy Krathong Ceremony

Open to the public (For more Info, pls. call: 808-456-4176, 808-384-9730) Free Admission !!!

Delicious Thai Food : your choice of spicy & medium or mild with healthy veggies.

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All are Welcome Don't Forget!! We'll see you there ** Thai & Laotians communities in Hawaii ** Have lots of Fun!!! Free Admission!!

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What is "Loy Krathong" (Festival of Floating Bowls)

When the rivers and canals are full of water on the full moon night of the Twelfth Lunar month, the tide in the rivers is highest and the moon at its brightest, creating a romantic setting ideal for lovers. The Thai people choose this day to hold the 'Loy Krathong' festival, or the 'festival of light.' the Loy Krathong Festival takes place in all parts of Thailand. Loy Krathong is one of the two most recognized festivals in Thailand.

Prepare to join this beautiful traditional event by buying or making a "Krathong", the floating bowl shaped vessel usually make out of banana leaves. (The "Loy" in the name of the festival means to float. While 'Krathong' refers to the lotus-shaped receptacle which can float on the water). Originally, the Krathong was made of banana leaves or the layers of the trunk of a banana tree or a spider lily plant. A Krathong contains food, betel nuts, flowers, joss sticks, candle and coins. The making of a Krathong is much more creative these days as many more materials are available. Krathong typically contain a candle, three incense sticks and a small coin set among flowers. People light the candles and incense, make a wish, and send their Krathong gently floating in water. As they go, believe all bad luck suppose to disappear with Krathong (bowl).

As they launch their krathong, individuals take a moment to say a small or long prayer and make a wish. Everyone hopes that their candles keep burning into the night, symbolizing longevity and that their wishes will come true. Lovers hope that their krathongs float together. People sit and enjoy the spectacular sight of hundreds of Krathong on the water. Laughter and happiness is in the air. Festivals are further enhanced with a procession and cultural colorful street performances for everyone to enjoy. Altogether it is considered a romantic night for couples or lovers. Couples who make a wish together on Loy Krathong are thought to stay together in the future.

The traditional practice of Loy Krathong was meant to pay homage to the holy footprint of the Buddha on the beach of the Namada River in India.



Thai "Loy Krathong" Festival 2017 Saturday, November 11, 2017



Program

10:30 a.m. Religious Ceremonies

11:00 a.m. Grand Opening Ceremony

Festival Chair, Mr.Pirutana Bhalang
Welcome all to join the festival
Official balloons release to open

the <u>Thai Loy Krathong Festival 2017</u> by Hon.- Mr. Miyabara, Royal Thai Consular General of Hawaii

- Thai Classical Dance Performance For Grand Opening Ceremony

11:40 a.m. Food offering to the monks

12:09 p.m. - Thai Performances

- Thai Khlong Yao Drums

- Thai Music Show

1:00 p.m. -Thai Kick-Boxing Demonstration

2:30 p.m. -Joy & Cheer Queen and Angel of Loy Krathong Festival 2017 Contest

-Thai Performances

- Thai Music Show

- More Performances

5:09 p.m. Loy Krathong Ceremony

- Enjoy Thai Folk dancing

7:00 p.m. Festival ends

Program is subject to change without prior notice. Have fun! Thank you







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