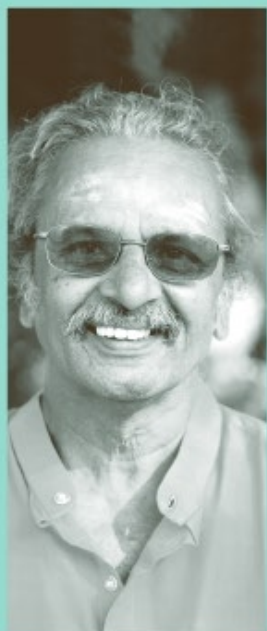




41st Annual  
*Living Treasures of Hawai'i™*  
2016





*Preserve and  
perpetuate the  
islands' distinctive  
cultural and  
artistic heritage.*

# The

LIVING TREASURES OF HAWAII™

is a program instituted by the  
Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii  
to recognize and honor individuals  
for their *sustained contributions*  
toward *enriching* our society.

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# Program

LIVING TREASURES OF HAWAII™ 2016

February 13, 2016

Hilton Hawaiian Village

Coral Ballroom · Honolulu, Hawai'i

## *Sponsored by*

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## *Opening Remarks*

Dennis Sekine, *Master of Ceremonies*

## *Oli*

Keola Kalani

Lehua Matsuoka

## *Welcoming Message*

Pieper Toyama, *President*

## *Words of Thanksgiving*

Reverend Yuika Hasebe

## *Lunch*

## *Recognition of Retirement*

Reverend Tatsuo Muneto

## *History of the Living Treasures Program*

Bishop Eric Matsumoto

## *Congratulatory Messages*

## *Video Presentation*

## *Introduction and Designation of Living Treasures*

## *Words of Appreciation*

Bishop Eric Matsumoto

## *Closing Remarks*

Dennis Sekine

# 41st Annual Living Treasures of Hawai'i™ 2016

Lillian Noda Yajima

Dr. Dennis Masaaki Ogawa

Paul Leland Breese

Muthukumar Sooriyakumar  
(Sooriya Kumar)

Dr. Puakea M. Nogelmeier

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Representing Hawai'i's

rich cultural heritage,

these honorees

are devoted to

preserving the *spirit*,

*traditions*, and

*values* of our island

home for future

generations.

## The History

The Living Treasures of Hawai'i™ has been a part of our cultural landscape since 1976. Drawing inspiration from the Living National Treasures (Ningen Kokuho) of Japan, insurance executive Paul Yamanaka knew there were many people in Hawai'i who deserved similar recognition for their contributions to the preservation and perpetuation of the islands' distinctive cultural and artistic heritage.



Reverend  
Yoshiaki Fujitani

Mr. Yamanaka brought his idea to Yoshiaki Fujitani, Bishop of Honpa Hongwanji Mission. Wholeheartedly embracing the idea, Bishop Fujitani worked quickly to establish the program. A committee of experts in Hawaiiana and practicing artists actively involved in the Hawaiian community was formed. It was comprised of John Dominis Holt, publisher; Abraham Pi'ianā'i'a, University of Hawai'i professor; Zenetta Ho'ulu Cambra, chanter; Rubellite Johnson, translator of *Kumulipo*; Homer Hayes, historian; and Cecilia Lindo, Hongwanji Mission School teacher. Mr. Yamanaka served as chairman and Bishop Fujitani was an ex officio member.

Charles W. Kenn, noted scholar, historian, author, and practicing kahuna was the first person to be named a Living Treasure of Hawai'i in an informal ceremony held at the Hongwanji Mission in 1976.

The following year, eight other individuals were honored. These Living Treasures included 'Iolani Luahine, dancer; Lokalia Montgomery, chanter; Johanna D. Cluney, feather artisan; Mary Kawena Pūku'i, author of the *Hawaiian Dictionary*; Dr. Samuel H. Elbert, anthropologist; Wright Bowman, woodcrafter; and Jean Charlot, artist.

Since the program's inception, over two hundred of Hawai'i's people, including educators, dancers, artists, clergy, business leaders, and community volunteers, among others, have been named Living Treasures of Hawai'i™.





*Aloha!*

Welcome to the Aloha Luncheon of the 104th  
Legislative Assembly of the Honpa Hongwanji Mission  
of Hawaii and the 41st Living Treasures of Hawai'i™ Program.

Today, on behalf of the entire Honpa Hongwanji Sangha/Membership, I offer my heart-felt congratulations and gratitude to: Mr. Paul Leland Breese, Mr. Sooriya Kumar, Dr. Dennis Masaaki Ogawa, Dr. Puakea M. Nogelmeier, and Mrs. Lillian Noda Yajima, the 2016 Living Treasures of Hawai'i™ Honorees, for their dedicated efforts and contributions which has made Hawai'i and the World a better place for all of us. Their life truly reflects to a profound degree the truth and significance of Interdependence as emphasized by the Buddhist Teaching. The Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii, represented by the delegates and observers from our 34 temples and fellowships throughout the State including the Buddhist Study Center, Pacific Buddhist Academy and including our many affiliate organizations like the Buddhist Women's Associations and Jr. Young Buddhist Associations, with the help of many generous sponsors and donors is honored to be able to recognize these outstanding individuals and help perpetuate the high standards of excellence and achievements they have attained together with their commitment to the well-being of society and the 'aina through this Living Treasures Program.

Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii is truly humbled by the response of the Hawai'i community statewide for their acknowledgement of and support of the Living Treasures of Hawai'i™ Program as one of the most valued and recognized programs in the State of Hawai'i.

In our troubled times, fostering mutual understanding and respect, caring for others and sharing that which brings people together and brings beauty into life is critical for not only Hawai'i's future, but the whole world. I believe, we, the people of Hawai'i, have something valuable that we can share with the rest of the world so that all of our lives can become more harmonious and peaceful and rich and meaningful. Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii hopes, that even in a small way, that this Living Treasures of Hawai'i™ Program contributes towards the enhancement of humankind and the aspiration for world peace and harmony.

Once again, congratulations to the 2016 Honorees, thank you to the many who support the Program including many past Honorees and may we all be guided by All-Inclusive Wisdom and inspired by All-Embracing Compassion, Amida Buddha, the Buddha of Immeasurable Life and Infinite Light.

Namo Amida Butsu/Entrusting in the Buddha of Immeasurable Life and Infinite Light.

In gassho (With hands together in reverence and respect),



Reverend Eric T. Matsumoto, Bishop  
Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii



Bishop Eric T. Matsumoto





*Lillian Yajima*, despite being 95-years old, demonstrates more energy, passion, and creativity than most people half her age. She has long served as an icon for community service and the promotion of Japanese culture in Hawai'i.



## Lillian N. Yajima

Mentor, teacher, and promoter of Japanese culture

Birthplace: Honolulu, Hawai'i



### Achievements

- Founding Member, Former President, and current Historian of the Japanese Women's Society Foundation.
- Founding Member of the Wakaba Kai Sorority at the University of Hawai'i at Manoa.
- Director of the Japanese Women's Society Hula Aloha Ladies.
- Member of the Japanese Cultural Center of Hawai'i, Japan American Society of Hawai'i (JCCH), Japanese American Legion Auxiliary Honolulu Unit #1, Wakaba Kai Alumni Association, United Japanese Society of Hawai'i, Japanese American National Museum, Japanese American Citizen's League, Lanakila Japanese Cultural Club, Shufu Society of Hawai'i, Fukuoka Kenjin Kai, and Kumamoto Kenjin Kai.
- Imparts her knowledge of manju making, Japanese craft and other Japanese cultural traditions and values to students, teachers, and attendees at the annual JCCH Ohana Festival, to the contestants of the Cherry Blossom Festival, and to visitors of the Byodo-In Temple in Kahalu'u.
- Raises money for and provides care to the Kuakini Care Home residents.
- Organizer of the Adopt-a-Mom event that has officially been added to the Hawai'i State Calendar through her passionate lobbying efforts.
- Featured in numerous publications including *Japanese Eyes*, *American Heart, Volume III*, *Japanese Women of Hawai'i*, *A Legacy of Strength and Leadership*, and *Living Legacy*, *Outstanding Japanese Women of the 20th Century*.
- Performer of hula since the 1930s under the stage name Nawahine, given to her by Kumu Hula George Mossman. She also conducts hula classes for various age groups.
- Initiated the publication of two books, *Hawaii's Aloha Recipes* and *Kokoro: Cherished Japanese Traditions in Hawaii* to fund a University of Hawai'i Gerontology Scholarship
- Talented singer of Japanese songs and dancer of Japanese Bando Kikuyoshi.

### Lillian Yajima's accolades

include the 2013 United Japanese Society of Hawai'i Award for contributions to the Japanese community and Hawai'i by the United Japanese Society... the 2007 Fifth Class Order of the Rising Sun for meritorious service by the Emperor of Japan ... the 1998 State of Hawai'i Community Service Award presented by Governor Cayetano ... and the Japanese Government Certificate of Merit for Outstanding Service to the Community presented at the Japanese Centennial Celebration with Prince and Princess Hitachi in attendance.







*Dr. Dennis Ogawa* influences Hawai'i's youth by encouraging them to become better citizens through education and empathy. He creates positive outlooks for shared experiences through storytelling, documentaries, movies and sports in order to help all people to have a better understanding of multi-ethnic relationships and cultural appreciation.

## Achievements

- Professor in charge of the Kakehashi TOMODACHI Inouye Scholars Program for the University of Hawai'i at Manoa. Dr. Ogawa's efforts allowed twenty-three students and two professors from UHM to travel to Japan while twenty-three students and two professors from Japan traveled to America with all expenses paid for by the Japanese government in order to honor Senator Daniel Inouye's legacy of promoting U.S.-Japan relationships.
- Educated over 25,000 University of Hawai'i at Manoa students on the subject of the Japanese American experience. Students learn to integrate and identify themselves with a local culture and to nurture a set of beliefs and values that are shared by all who call Hawai'i their home.
- Founder of the Nippon Golden Network and current Chairman of the Board.
- Founder of the Hawai'i Times (Nippu Jiji) Photo Archives Foundation, the sole existing pictorial archive of the Issei (first generation) Japanese-Americans.
- Author of numerous books including *Jan Ken Po: The World of Hawai'i's Japanese Americans*, *Kodomo No Tame Ni - For the Sake of the Children*, *First*

*Among Nisei: The Life and Writings of Masaji Marumoto*, and *From Jap to Japanese: The Evolution of Japanese-American Stereotypes*.

- Co-Author of *Ellison S. Onizuka: A Remembrance*. Dr. Ogawa was asked by NASA and the friends and family of Ellison Onizuka to write the book to honor his memory. It was dedicated to Onizuka's mother and proceeds provided funding for the Onizuka Museum at Kona Airport.
- Published numerous articles including *Japanese Wartime Relocation and Internment: The Hawai'i Experience*.

### *Dr. Dennis Ogawa's accolades*

include the Commendation of the Consul General of Japan in Honolulu ... the Japanese Cultural Center of Hawai'i's Achievement and Leadership Award (CLAD) in the field of Education ... the Award Hawaiian Historical Society's title of Distinguished Historian ... and recognition by the National Endowment for the Humanities for his pioneering work on the internment experience of Japanese in Hawai'i.



## Dr. Dennis M. Ogawa

Cultural preservationist and educator of heritage studies.

*Birthplace: Manzanar, California*







## Paul L. Breese

Champion of animals and  
staunch conservationist

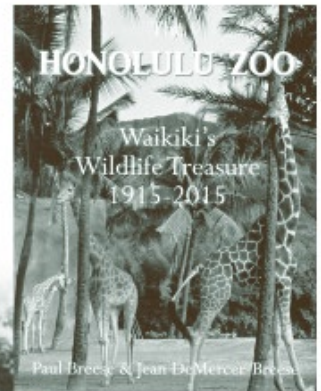
*Birthplace: Minneapolis, Minnesota*



*Paul Breese* has a keen intellect, avid curiosity, and vast interest in preserving animals in their natural habitat. He supports and mentors those who have an interest in maintaining the delicate balance of nature through education and conservation so that future generations can enjoy them as well.

### *Achievements*

- Appointed as the first Zoo Director of the Honolulu Zoo. Developed the master plan for the construction and acquisition of zoo animals. While at the zoo he initiated a number of breeding programs to help propagate various birds and other animals. These included the koloa; Japanese sacred cranes; birds of paradise; cassowary; giraffes and Galapagos tortoises.
- Director Emeritus of the Honolulu Zoo where he continues to share his vast knowledge of animals, history, government agencies, public relations, and personal contacts.
- Former Chief of the Wildlife Branch, State of Hawai'i.
- Served as an integral advisor to form the Honolulu Zoo's sister zoo - Asa Zoo in Hiroshima, Japan.
- Co-Author of *Honolulu Zoo: Waikiki's Wildlife Treasure 1915-2015*.
- Former Chairperson of the Nene Advisory Committee, where he played a key role in saving the nene (Hawaiian goose) from extinction through the combined efforts of the Honolulu Zoo, private land owners, and the state of Hawai'i.
- Former Vice-Chairperson of the Conservation Council of Hawai'i. The organization introduced a resolution to the Territorial Legislature to make the nene the official bird of the territory Hawai'i, and eventually the state bird of Hawai'i.
- Established the Brown Tree Snake Control Group, whose mission is to help prevent the highly adaptable and damaging species from becoming established in Hawai'i. The organization worked effectively in a non-confrontational manner by partnering with government officials and private agencies to develop programs and secure funding for brown tree snake control.
- Former Naval Officer in the South Pacific Theater.







*Sooriya Kumar* embodies the philosophies of forgiveness and healing as he connects with others through self-reflection. He takes life experiences and transforms them into mantras for compassionate change and unconditional love.

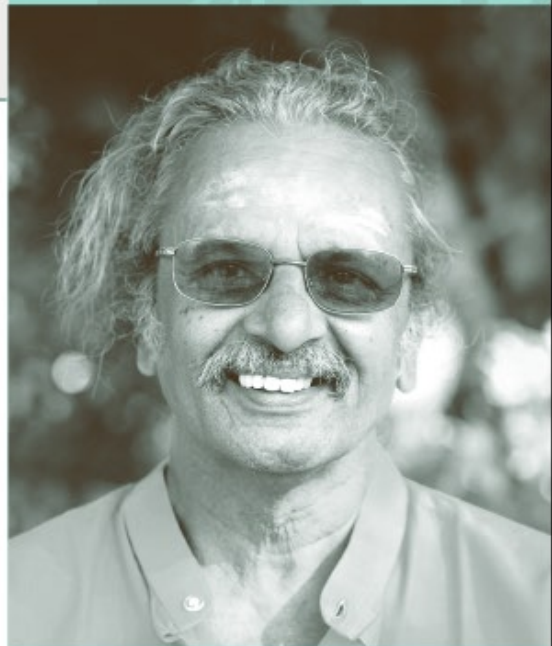
## Achievements

- Proprietor of Mouna Farm Arts and Cultural Village, a four-and-a-half acre establishment of fertile land in Wai'anae Valley that grows organic fruits and vegetables to help feed the hungry. It also supports tree cultivation while giving children in the community a place to explore their inner artist and farming skills.
- Featured participant in *Ola - Health is Everything*, the acclaimed documentary about health, hope and the power of communities to heal themselves. The film screened at the 2013 Hawai'i International Film Festival and is still currently being shown across the state and around the world.
- Master copper artist with notable recipients of his pieces that include King Tuheitia, Maori King of New Zealand; US Senator Daniel Akaka, the late Dr. Agnes Cope, etc.
- Created the Coat of Arms for His Majesty King Tuheitia, Maori King of the Waikato Tribe in New Zealand.
- Created the copper bowl to honor Senator Daniel Akaka at his retirement reception.
- Created the Healing Center sculpture to honor Dr. Agnes Kalaniho'okaha Cope.
- Created the copper panel of dolphins and the Wai'anae Mountain Range to honor Princess Abigail Kawanakoa.

- Created special artwork for Tony Guerrero, retired Vice Chairman of First Hawaiian Bank.
- Created the surfboard to honor Buffalo Keaulana.
- Inducted into the Hawaiian Council of Elders.
- Participating Dignitary in the Lantern Floating Hawai'i 2014 ceremony.
- Completed an 8-year journey of walking from Sri Lanka, India, Himalaya, Germany, and ultimately ending up in Hawai'i.

## *Sooriya Kumar's accolades*

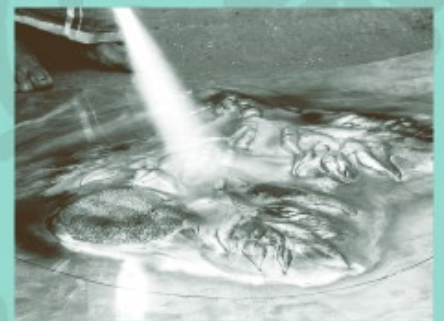
Knighthood in 2013 by the Knights of the Orthodox Order of Saint John Russian Grand Priory... Recipient of Hawai'i Forgiveness Project's 2012 Heroes of Forgiveness Award.



## *Muthukumaru Sooriyakumar (Sooriya Kumar)*

Skilled copper artist and  
spiritual teacher

*Birthplace: Sri Lanka*







*Dr. Puakea Nogelmeier* embodies wisdom and compassion by sharing knowledge through mentorship and collaboration. He is open to new experiences and is inclusive of all who wish to learn. His deep passion and dedication to the research and translation of Hawaiian writings a century ago has been profoundly critical in the continued revitalization of the Hawaiian language movement.



## Dr. Puakea M. Nogelmeier

Professor of Hawaiian language, culture, and history

Birthplace: San Francisco, California



### Achievements

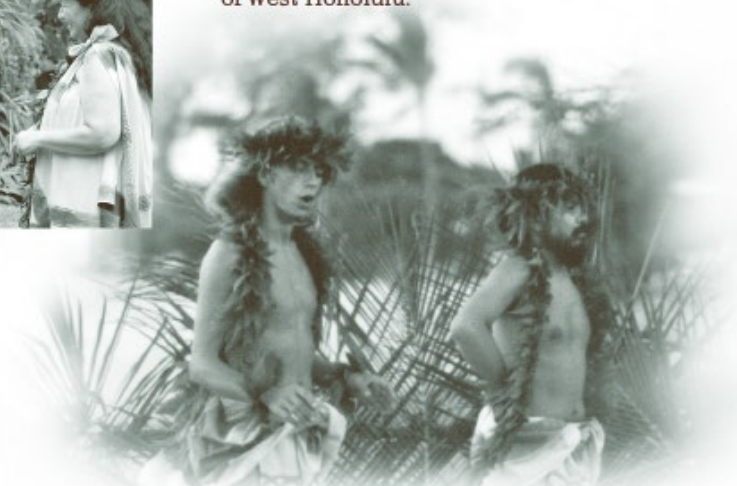
- Planner and Proposer of the UH Institute for Hawaiian Language Research and Translation, a proposal submitted to President Lassner and currently under consideration to implement a system-wide collaborative institute for Hawaiian language research, translation, and training.
- Co-founder of Awaiaulu, which is dedicated to developing resources, such as the Hawaiian newspapers, that bridge Hawaiian knowledge from the past to the present and on to the future.
- Translator and Mentor of the Ali'i Letters project for the Office of Hawaiian Affairs grant to research, translate, and annotate letters written by Hawaiian ali'i between 1820 and 1840, when Hawai'i transitioned between absolute monarchy to constitutional monarchy.
- Translator and Voicing Presenter of *This We Know*, an audio-only exhibit and presented artifacts by A. Greydon at the Honolulu Museum of Art.
- Keynote Speaker at the LLL Graduate Student Conference.
- Presenter at the World Indigenous People's Conference on Education at the Manoa Heritage Center.



- Presenter of *One World, Many Voices* at the Smithsonian Institute's American Folklife Festival.
- Planner of the *The Manamana: A Cultural Literacy Initiative* funded by the Pu'a Foundation.
- Language and Cultural Advisor for *Language Matters*, a PBS film by D. Grubin.
- Author of various books including *The Poetry of Kamehameha I: Jewels in the Dust, I Ulu I Ke Kumu*, Monograph I of Hawai'i inuiakea School of Hawaiian Knowledge and *Mai Pa'a I Ka Leo: Historical Voice in Hawaiian Primary Materials, Looking Forward and Listening Back*.

### Dr. Puakea Nogelmeier's accolades

include the 2014 Inductee into the Hawaiian Music Hall of Fame ... the 2014 Kalaniana'ole Honoree of the Prince Kuhio Hawaiian Civic Club ... the 2013 Ka Pa'a Mo'olelo Distinguished Historian Award by the Hawaiian Historical Society ... the 2011 Palapala Po'okela Award for Excellence in Hawaiian Culture ... the 2008 Palapala Po'okela Awards for Excellence in Literature, Excellence in Hawaiian Culture, Excellence in Design, and the Samuel M. Kamakau Award for Book of the Year ... and the 2008 Mary Kawena Pukui Award for service to the Hawaiian Community by the Rotary Club of West Honolulu.





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1976 ~ 2015

1976.....

Charles Kenn

1977.....

Wright Elemakule Bowman, Sr.

Jean Charlot

Johanna Drew Cluney

Samuel Hoyt Elbert

Kenneth Pike Emory

'Iolani Luahine

Rosalie Lokalia Lovell Montgomery

Mary Kawena Pu'ku'i

1978.....

Theodore Kelsey

1979.....

Abraham Kahikina Akaka

Emma Kalani-kau'i-ka'ala neo-

kilioulaninui-ama mao-ho'opi'i-

wahine-keakaleihilinaka deFries

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kohala Kenao Kanaka'ole

Clorinda Low Lucas

Aldyth Vernon Morris

Alice Ku'u lei-aloha-poina'ole

Namakelua

Philip Kunia "Gabby" Pahinui

1980.....

Gabriel I

Maxine Hong Kingston

Donald Kilolani Mitchell

Pilahi Paki

Alfred Preis

1981.....

Solomon Kekipi Bright, Sr.

Oswald Bushnell

Leo Ohai

Leon J. Edel

William H. Meinecke

Isamu Noguchi

Juliet Rice Wichman

1982.....

Juliette May Fraser

Annie Lehua Asam Kanahele

Richard Lyman, Jr.

Silver Kiniohi Piliwali

James Ka'upena Wong, Jr.

1983.....

Homer Ahu'ula Hayes

Rubellite Kawena Kinney Johnson

Zaneta Ho'oululahui Cambra Richards

Morrnah Nalamaku Simeona

Emily Kau'i Zuttermeister

1984.....

Satoru Abe

Bumpei Akaji

Irmgard Farden Aluli

Francis Haar

Herb Kawainui Ka'ne

Tadashi Sato

Emma Kapi'olani Farden Sharpe

1985.....

Gladys Kamakakuokalani 'Ainoa Brandt

May Moir

Sarah M. Wood Nalua'i

Katashi Nose

Soichi Sakamoto

Allan Frederic Saunders

1986.....

Claude F. Du Teil

Kahu Edward L. Kealanahela

Milton M. Howell

Margaret Machado





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## *1987*.....

Agnes C. Conrad  
Agnes Kalaniho'okaha Cope  
Edmund M. K. Enomoto  
Joe Harper  
Claude Horan  
David Kuraoka  
John Keolamaka-'aina'nakalāhui-  
okalani Lake  
Kahauanu Lake  
Toshiko Takaezu

## *1988*.....

Kenneth F. Brown  
David Kauweloā Kaupu  
Murray Turnbull

## *1989*.....

Reiko Mochinaga Brandon  
Healani Onohiaulani Chilton Doane  
Yehan Numata  
Reuben Tam  
Tseng Yuho (Betty Tseng Ecker)

## *1990*.....

Richard Kekuni Blaisdell  
Edmond Lee Browning  
Frances Damon Holt  
Kyo Kawabata

## *1991*.....

Daniel G. Chun  
Dwight Pauahi Kauahikaua  
Moses Kapalekilahao Keale, Sr.  
Puanani Kanemura Van Dorpe

## *1992*.....

Helen Hoakalei Kamau'u  
David Kaohelaulii  
Marie Emilia Leilehua McDonald  
Harry Seisho Nakasone  
Matsuno Yasui  
David Nu'uhiwa Enoka Kaohelauli'i

## *1993*.....

Elaine Arita  
Yoshiko Matsuda  
Stewart Valentine Medeiros, Sr.  
Edith Hanae Tanaka  
Shige Yamada

## *1994*.....

Todd Toshiaki Akita  
Daniel J. Dever  
Reverend Yoshiaki Fujitani  
Roy T. Fukumura  
Deborah Kepola Kekalia  
Yukio Ozaki  
Marion Grace Saunders

## *1995*.....

Donald Tai Loy Ho  
Sally Fletcher Murchison  
Leone Kamana Okamura

## *1996*.....

Wallace F. Froiseth  
Hiroki Morinoue  
Shinichi Suzuki

## *1997*.....

Robert Aitken  
Henry A. Auwae  
Martha Kaumakaokalani Aoe Poepoe  
Hohu  
Ralph Chikato Honda  
Iwao Mizuta



1998

Hubert Victor Everly  
George Sanford Kanahale  
Beatrice Kapua'okalani Hilmer Krauss  
Jerry Okimoto  
Vladimir Ossipoff  
Ruth Tabrah

1999

Earl E. Bakken  
Samuel S. A. Cooke  
Shimeji Ryusaki Kanazawa  
Yutaka Kimura  
Abraham St. Chad Pi'iana'i'a  
Adam A. "Bud" Smyser

2000

Glenna Fusae Kimura Ewing  
James K. Fujikawa  
Ah Quon McElrath  
Rose Nakamura  
Charles Nainoa Thompson

2001

Ronald E. Bright  
Sean Kekamakupa'a Lee Loy Browne  
Rocky Ka'ouliokahihikolo 'Ehu Jensen  
Bob Krauss  
Jesse "Takamiyama" Kuhaulua  
Azumazeki Oyakata  
Clarence K. M. Lee

2002

Dr. Alfred Bloom  
Takeshi Fujita  
Lynne Yoshiko Nakasone  
Takashi Nonaka  
Dr. Yosihiko Sinoto  
Myron Bennett (Pinky) Thompson

2003

Beatrice "Beebe" Freitas  
Mary Lou Kekuewa  
Dr. Albert H. Miyasato  
Dr. Margaret Y. Oda  
Ted T. Tsukiyama  
Masaru "Pundy" Yokouchi

2004

Reverend Mitsuo Aoki  
Patience Na'maka Bacon  
Genoa Keawe  
Dr. Fujio Matsuda  
Edith Kawelohea McKinzie  
Tau Moe

2005

Momi Cazimero  
Gabriel "Gabe" Baltazar, Jr.  
Sione Tui'one Pulotu  
Dr. Thomas Klobe  
Dr. Isabella Aiona Abbott  
Dr. Benjamin B.C. Young

2006

Richard K. Paglinawan  
James T. Kunichika  
Carol Kouchi Yotsuda  
Edward T. Ka'anana "Uncle Eddie"  
Walter H.K. Paulo "Uncle Walter"  
Dr. Terry T. Shintani

2007

Norman Sakata  
Dr. Barbara B. Smith  
Dr. Terence Rogers  
Mary M. Craver "Aunty Malia"  
George Lanakilakeikiahiali'i  
Na'ope "Uncle George"  
Dorothy Thompson "Aunty Dottie"  
Wally K. Yonamine





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## *2008*.....

Edwin Mahiai "Mahi" Copp Beamer  
Dr. Charles Burrows  
Reverend Samuel Cox  
Benjamin Kodama  
Elsie Tanaka

## *2009*.....

Amy Agbayani  
Puanani Burgess  
Sister Joan Chatfield  
Bert Nishimura  
Nalani Olds

## *2010*.....

Elizabeth Kawohiokalani Ellis Jenkins  
Patti Lyons  
Reverend Toshihide Numata  
S. Stanley Okamoto  
Paul Weissich

## *2011*.....

Josephine Kaukali Fergerstrom  
Dr. Claire Hughes  
Masaru Oshiro  
Dr. Jack Scaff  
Dr. Livingston Wong

## *2012*.....

Goro Arakawa  
Dr. Ben Finney  
Barbara Fusako Kawakami  
Lynette Kahekili Paglinawan  
Gordon Mark

## *2013*.....

Dennis Kauahi  
Nola Nahulu  
Michael Nakasone  
Oswald Stender  
Gary Washburn

## *2014*.....

Reverend Ida Keli'iokalani Chun  
Dr. Samuel 'Ohukani'o'hi'a Gon III  
Robert Hamada  
Art & Rene Kimura  
Reverend Chikai Yosemori

## *2015*.....

Puanani Alama  
S. Haunani Apoliona  
Dr. Bernice Yamagata Hirai  
Paulette Nohealani Kahalepuna  
Laura Ruby  
Barry K. Taniguchi



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