

Daughters of the Goddess



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An Aloha-Dianic, Womyn-only Goddess Temple dedicated in the Spirit of Aloha to the preservation, perpetuation and promotion of Goddess & Indigenous culture, public ceremony, ritual and Womyn's Mysteries.

'A 'ole e 'olelo mai ana ke ahi ua ana ia
Fire will never say that it has had enough
Use your infinite energy to create the life you want

The Sun kissed our cheeks and shoulders as we gathered in Kahuna Leilani's backyard to celebrate May/Lei Day. As we began to call in the directions the birds started to chirp, and the wind blew through our hair. It sent a chill of happiness throughout our bodies as some of us were taken back to O'ahu, where we spent time in Sacred Sisterhood laughing and learning. Once the circle was cast, we all took turns giving and saying birthday blessings to Kahuna Leilani. Some sprinkling the sweet-smelling water and some letting it flow like a waterfall, but all were appreciated and loved. Then we gathered together to make our Haku leis. As we breathed in the bouquets luscious aromas and wove colorful flowers in the shape of a circle, the energy of Aloha surrounded us. There was talk among some of our sisters about the Herstory of the islands and Her people. During our next Pilgrimage to Hawai'i, we will definitely have many things to pray and be blessed with.



Aloha Daughters of the Goddess,

This Summer has been a time of nostalgia and reconnection. I had the blessing of seeing many women and family members that I haven't seen in years. The hands of time move forward and my cup runneth over with reminders of precious people and relations. June began with an unplanned visit from Chief Luisah Teish. We hosted her at the Temple spending hours having deep conversations and talking story. She still seeks housing back in Cali and feels her time down South has been completed.

July brought Carolyn Brandy's Drum Camp which I hadn't been to in years and saw more wonderful and powerful leaders. Had a spirit filled time dancing by the night fire with amazing drummers and the starlit sky above us. A trip to Southern Cali wove us together for the Circle of Aradia's 30th Anniversary with Ruth, Falcon, Max, Ava, Vajra Ma, Cerridwen and many other wonderful and wise women I've known for decades. Late August/early September brought ancestral land connections on Maui and O'ahu. Finding the graves of my Great, Great Grandmother Esther and Grandfather William Punohu Hawaiian Loyalist and Activists for Queen Lili'uokalani during the time of the illegal takeover of the Hawaiian Nation by the United States. Visited Auntie Jackie with my daughter Jade as we sat and listened to the stories of Aunties, Uncles and cousins and lots of laughter too!

Clearly the Ancestors are already beginning to call as Summer now turns to Fall, the Harvest is plentiful, and the winds of change continue to blow. I look forward to praying with you at Her altar and am blessed by each and every one of you. If you are reading this, our lives have been woven together in some magical way. I look at each name on our mailing list thinking fondly of you and send out my Aloha.

I look forward to taking another group of women on the Sacred Pilgrimage to Hawai'i. Sharing the Hawaiian culture and experiencing the islands in a way that is honestly not available when you visit as a tourist. Auntie Pahia has mentioned the Hawaiian knowledge as having levels of deep, deeper, deepest. I invite you to delve a bit deeper than you have and join me on this journey.

I am envisioning seeing you this Winter as we journey through the darkness and into the Birth of the Sun together! I'm always intrigued to see what Spring Bouquets will appear from the richness of Winters' slumber and reflection.

Aloha Blessings,

Kahuna Leilani



Daughters of the Goddess Fall 2018 - Spring 2019 Ritual Schedule

Kahuna Leilani - Hawaiian Kahuna, Ordained Dianic High Priestess, Ceremonialist and Co-Author of On Holy Ground: Commitment & Devotion to Sacred Lands, has been bringing ancient Hawaiian healing and Goddess Wisdom to the community for over two decades. She earned her M.A. in Womyn's Spirituality from New College in San Francisco. Kahuna Leilani started The Daughters of the Goddess Womyn's Temple in 1996. She gives thanks and honor to her teachers: Luisah Teish, Yoruban Chieftess and author of Jambalaya; Kahuna Auntie Pahia; Vicki Noble, author and co-creator of the Motherpeace Tarot; and Kumu Hula Patrick Makuakane and Mahea Uchiyama.

Open Series ~ These 12 circles are open to all womyn desiring knowledge and experiential work with the multifaceted aspects of Goddess in ritual. These are NOT drop-in circles; please let us know in advance if you are planning to participate before the day of the ritual. **Gathering time is 7:30 p.m. for all rituals unless otherwise noted.** Please see below for exchange and elder gathering information.

Tuesday, November 6th, Celebrate Ixchel Mayan Moon Goddess. Waning Moon in Scorpio.

Monday, November 19th, Celebrate Saraswati Hindu Goddess of Music, Knowledge & Learning. Waxing Moon in Aries.

Thursday, December 6th, Celebrate Mnemosyne Greek Goddess of Memory & Mother of the Muses, Inventress of Language & Words. New Moon in Sagittarius.

Friday, December 21st, Celebrate Winter Solstice & Lucina Swedish Goddess of Kindness, Charity, Health & Protection. Waxing Moon in Gemini.

Saturday, January 5th, Celebrate Fatima Arabian Goddess of the Moon, Fate, Source of the sun. New Moon in Capricorn.

Sunday, January 20th, Celebrate Cerridwin Celtic Goddess of the Cauldron of Wisdom, Inspiration, Death, Rebirth & Transformation. Full Moon in Leo, total Lunar Eclipse.

Saturday, February 2nd, Annual Temple Dedication Ceremony & Imbolc celebrating Artemis, Bridget, & Haumea. Waning Moon in Capricorn.

Thursday, February 21st, Celebrate Kihawahine Sacred Hawaiian Mo'o Goddess of Pi'ilani, Moku'ula & Lahaina on the island of Maui. Waning Moon in Libra.

Monday, March 4th, Celebrate Awehai Iroquois Goddess of the Earth & Sky, Harvest, Tradition, Growth, Longevity & Community. Waning Moon in Aquarius.

Wednesday, March 20th, Celebrate Spring Equinox & Persephone Greek Goddess of Spring, Queen of the Underworld. Full Moon in Libra.

Friday, April 5th, Celebrate Iris Greek Goddess of the Rainbow, the Sea & the Sky, Messenger of the Goddesses & Gods. New Moon in Aries.

Thursday, April 18th, Celebrate Bona Dea Roman Goddess of Women, Fertility, Healing. Waxing Moon in Libra.

HAWAII ~ WALKING WITH ALOHA PILGRIMAGE 2019 ~ Thursday, September 26th ~ Tuesday, October 1st

Daughters of the Goddess embarks on our 4th Temple Pilgrimage to O'ahu. Ceremony and activities may include: Iolani Palace, Bishop Museum, North Shore - Haleiwa Town, visit and work in the Taro Patches, rituals, meeting with Indigenous elders, swimming in the beautiful ocean. \$1600 payment in full by August 15th, 2019. Non-refundable deposit of \$300 due by January 21st, \$300 payment due by April 20th. Price includes lodging, Communally prepared meals will be shared. Exchange does not include airfare or transportation. Please contact Kahuna Leilani if you are interested at Leilani@DaughtersoftheGoddess.com.

DAUGHTERS OF THE GODDESS NEWSLETTER~ This newsletter is published and distributed via U.S. mail twice per year in September and March on the Equinoxes, it is also posted on the DG Website. If you have been receiving the Newsletter via the postal service and would prefer to receive it electronically, please send an e-mail to Leilani@DaughtersoftheGoddess.com. We are always happy to reduce our footprint on the Earth. If you are a Sister who loves to receive this treasure through the mail, we are happy to continue mailing it as we always have. If you could send in a tithe of your choosing to help with the cost of production of this newsletter it would be very generous and greatly appreciated! There is a PayPal button on the DG website where you can send a newsletter tithe, or send a check to the DG address.

Packages:	Exchange:
*Newcomer	1st ritual \$15 or
Spiral Dance & Elder Gathering	3 rituals for \$60
	does not apply to above exchange.
*1 Open Ritual	\$30/please mail check
*All 12 Open Rituals	\$300/due at first ritual

Financial programs are available for qualifying incomes/budgets. Sorry no refunds.

Individual consultations, readings, and Rites of Passage ceremonies are available upon request. Please call or e-mail Kahuna Leilani. Her contact information is on the top of the newsletter.

Please bring a candle for the altar, rattles, drums, something to sit on & food to share to each circle.