



## Hawai'i Food & Wine Festival Celebrates Fifth Year at Halekulani



Halekulani is pleased to sponsor the upcoming Hawai'i Food & Wine Festival featuring its signature culinary gala, Indulge, as well as a caviar and champagne event and three exclusive wine seminars. The festival is the premier epicurean destination event in the Pacific and will feature an impressive roster of over 100 internationally-renowned master chefs, culinary personalities, and wine and spirit producers. Halekulani's events are known to sell-out each year, and this year's line-up is set to impress.

**Caviar & Champagne: Cristal, Dom, Krug & Salon** will be held from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. on September 9 for \$500 per ticket. Halekulani is proud to showcase the best of bubbly at this indulgent event that will feature four of the world's most illustrious champagnes: Cristal, Dom Pérignon, Krug, and Salon, which will be paired with French Sturia Caviar.

**Fifth Annual Halekulani Culinary Masters Gala Series: Indulge** is the festival's signature event that will take place on September 11 for \$1,000 per ticket. Cocktail reception is at 5:00 p.m. followed by dinner at 6:00 p.m. Indulge in the finest wines paired with caviar, foie gras, and wagyu beef curated by five master chefs: Vikram Garg of Halekulani; Michael Ginor of Hudson Valley Foie Gras; Toshiya Konno of Ukai, Co. Ltd; Michael Mina of Mina Group, and Janice Wong of 2am:dessertbar Singapore, in an intimate evening of luxurious indulgence.

In addition, Halekulani is offering an impressive lineup of exclusive wine seminars featuring a panel of Master Sommeliers: Richards Betts, Roberto Viernes and Joseph Spellman on Saturday, September 12th:

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**Tête de Cuvée Champagne** will take place from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. on September 12 for \$250 per ticket. At this intimate event, a distinguished panel of Master Sommeliers will taste through the Tête de Cuvée (top of the line) from each of the greatest producers in all of Champagne from the great houses of Dom Pérignon, Krug and Louis Roederer and more.

**Four Decades of Opus One: A Vertical Tasting with Winemaker Michael Silacci** will take place from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on September 12 for \$250 per ticket. Halekulani is offering a rare opportunity for guests to taste ten vintages of Opus One, one of California's First Growths spanning four decades. This legendary tasting event is surely not to be missed.

**Master Sommelier Favorites** seminar will be held from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. on September 12 for \$200 per ticket. This annual favorite features Master Sommeliers Richard Betts, Roberto Viernes and Joseph Spellman who will guide guests through a journey of their favorite treasures from around the globe.

For more information and to purchase tickets, visit Hawai'i Food & Wine Festival's website at [www.hawaiifoodandwinefestival.com](http://www.hawaiifoodandwinefestival.com) or visit Halekulani's blog at <http://www.halekulani.com/blog/discover-flavors-hawaii-food-wine-festival>.

For a high-res image of the attached photo, visit <https://www.dropbox.com/s/3jtmr7k0w6mg11l/HK%20HFAWF%202014.jpg?dl=0> and credit to Hawai'i Food & Wine Festival.

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#### **About Halekulani**

Since its inception in 1984 as one of the world's finest and most acclaimed independent luxury hotels, Halekulani has received more than 500 accolades, awards and honoraria. The property is one of The World's Best Hotels on *Condé Nast Traveler's* 2015 Gold List and was voted Best Hotel on Oahu in *Travel + Leisure's* 500 World's Best Hotels for 2015. Halekulani is home to SpaHalekulani, House Without a Key, Lewers Lounge, Orchids and La Mer, Hawaii's longest, consecutively ranked AAA 5 Diamond and *Forbes Travel Guide* Five-Star Restaurant. For twenty years, Halekulani has maintained a strong commitment to arts and culture through exclusive alliances with Oahu's most iconic cultural venues. Halekulani is operated by the Hotels and Resorts of Halekulani, a brand management division of the Honolulu-based Halekulani Corporation, which also oversees the Waikiki Parc Hotel. Halekulani is a member of The Leading Hotels of the World and is aligned with Tokyo's legendary Imperial Hotel.

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#### **About Hawai'i Food & Wine Festival**

The Hawai'i Food & Wine Festival is the premier epicurean destination event in the Pacific. The Festival features a roster of more than 100 internationally renowned master chefs, culinary personalities, and wine and spirit producers. Co-founded by two of Hawai'i's own James Beard Award-winning chefs, Roy Yamaguchi and Alan Wong, the Festival will showcase wine tastings, cooking demonstrations, one-of-a-kind excursions, and exclusive dining opportunities with dishes highlighting the state's bounty of local produce, seafood, beef and poultry. Proceeds support local beneficiaries committed to sustainability and cultural and educational programs in Hawai'i.

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