



HALEKULANI RECOGNIZED BY THE LEADING HOTELS OF THE WORLD FOR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT
Legendary Waikiki Hotel Ranks #1 in North America for its Commitment to Quality

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WAIKIKI, HI, December 4, 2013 – [Halekulani](#), the iconic Waikiki property, was recognized with the *Commitment to Quality Award* by [The Leading Hotels of the World](#), the prestigious organization comprised of the largest luxury hotel collection. Announced during The Leading Hotels of the World’s 2013 Annual Convention, which took place in New York, November 24 – 27, 2013, the *Commitment to Quality Award* was presented to hotel members that ranked highest on their most recent *Leading Quality Assurance* inspection. Halekulani was the only property in the North America region to earn the *2013 Commitment to Quality Award*.

“We are proud to have earned this esteemed recognition from The Leading Hotels of the World, serving as the benchmark for the luxury hospitality industry,” said Peter Shaindlin, Chief Operating Officer of Halekulani Corporation. “This accolade is a testament to our longstanding commitment to maintaining the highest quality standards to offer an exceptional guest experience.”

The *Leading Quality Assurance* inspections, which are anonymously conducted at all properties within The Leading Hotels of the World portfolio, are designed to assess all phases of the guest experience. The detailed point system covers reservations to check-out and every aspect of the hotel product, including reception to back-of-the-house. The demanding set of quality standards to evaluate member hotels is part of The Leading Hotels of the World’s dedication to delivering the utmost value to its member hotels, as well as providing unparalleled hospitality offerings to its discerning clientele.

“The Leading Quality Assurance inspection uses a meticulous set of criteria by which The Leading Hotels of the World judges and accepts its members. With more than 430 properties in over 80 countries, the *Commitment to Quality Award* recognizes the most exceptional properties in The Leading Hotels of the World portfolio,” said Ted Teng, Chief Executive Officer of The Leading Hotels of the World. “As the hotel in North America to earn the 2013 *Commitment to Quality Award*, Halekulani defines the meaning of what it is to be a ‘Leading Hotel.’”

Since its inception, Halekulani has been celebrated globally for its gracious hospitality, personalized service and groundbreaking innovations that have become standards in the luxury hospitality industry. Renowned for its award-winning cuisine, Halekulani is home to La Mer - Hawaii’s longest ranked AAA-Five Diamond restaurant, House Without a Key - the legendary gathering spot to enjoy nightly Hawaiian entertainment under the Kiawe tree, as well as Orchids. Halekulani also features L’Aperitif - a unique, new bar concept introduced in 2012, Lewers Lounge - consistently ranked as one of America’s best bars, as well the award-winning SpaHalekulani.

Halekulani is managed by the Hotels and Resorts of Halekulani, a brand management division of the Honolulu-based Halekulani Corporation, which also manages Waikiki Parc Hotel. Halekulani is a member of The Leading Hotels of the World and is aligned with Tokyo’s legendary Imperial Hotel. For reservations and information, please contact a travel planner, call Halekulani at (800) 367-2343 / (808) 923-2311 or visit www.halekulani.com.

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When extraordinary and one-of-a-kind intersect, you have likely found a Leading Hotel. As the largest luxury hotel collection, with more than 430 of the world’s greatest properties in over 80 countries, we seek out the exceptional.

From grand palaces to intimate city hideaways, from ancient castles to sumptuous safari tent villages, from tropical aeries to mystical paradises, all are utterly unique and boldly independent. Each celebrates the culture of its destination, rather than trying to mask it with corporate-mandated sameness. Established in 1928 by several influential and forward-thinking European hoteliers, it started with 36 initial members. With our eight-decade-long commitment to providing unforgettable, authentic travel experiences, LHW selects only hotels that meet our high standards for quality and distinctiveness. To us, hospitality is not an industry; it's an art...and our passion.

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