



# Hawaii Kotohira Jinsha Hawaii Dazaifu Tenmangu

NOVEMBER 2021

Another Shichigosan, Totose no Oiwai and Jusan Mairi season ended Sunday, November 21.

Mahalo nui to the many families that participated in our annual event despite the many State and City restrictions put in place

for the health and safety of the community.

As COVID-19 continues to impact our islands, the shrine is so appreciative of the volunteers that have helped the shrine meet the evolving needs

of the community with a safe and spiritually enriching Shichigosan.

(Pictured above with Rev. Takizawa is the Jimenez Ohana)



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# SHICHIGOSAN

Gayle Fujihara	Shinken Naitoh
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Kathy Hamada Kwock	Diane Nishida
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Arthur Isa	Gary Shinsato
Becky Isa	Linda Shinsato
Milton Kwock	Naomi Teramoto
Marilyn Naitoh	Jasmine Umeno
Milena Naitoh	

Mahalo Nui volunteers! We couldn't have blessed the children this Shichigosan season without you -- the heart and soul of the shrine's events! Thank you for wholeheartedly embracing our mission to share the endearing traditions of Shichigosan, Jusan Mairi and Totose no Oiwai with the greater community.

It isn't easy to work in the same spirit week after week. We would like to express our heartfelt thanks for all who have devoted their time and energies with their highest commitment despite the pandemic. A special mahalo nui goes out to **Gary** and **Linda Shinsato** for helping at every session!

## WELCOME CREW

**Shinken, Craig, Milton, Gary**

Mahalo for greeting and assisting families in the parking area and ensuring compliance of Covid-19 regulations.

## RECEPTION

**Marilyn, Linda, Milena, Danielle**

Thank you for creating a radically positive and nurturing environment for the children and for bridging the linguistic and cultural divide.

## GUIDES

**Diane, Linda, Marilyn**

Thank you for prepping and safely guiding the children and their families to the shrine and briefing them on protocol.

## KIMONO DRESSING

**Bryson, Kathy, Linda, Marilyn, Jasmine, Naomi, Gayle, Stacie**

Mahalo for being the core of this event and helping to preserve and perpetuate the kimono culture.

## CLEANING • SANITIZING

**Diane, Linda, Marilyn, Kathy, Naomi, Milena, Danielle**

Thank you for cleaning and disinfecting the shrine, implements, kimono and accessories after each blessing.

## SUSTENANCE

**Gary, Linda**

Thank you for providing a delicious and nutritious lunch and refreshments at every session

## DECEMBER 2021

- 5 2:00 pm (INTERNAL)**  
Tsukinamisai Monthly Service
- 26 - 30 8:30 am - 4 pm**  
Saisaki-mode (Early Hatsumode  
Personal Worship)
- 9 am - 3 pm**  
Early Omamori Selection
- 30 5 pm**  
Cleanup and Preparations
- 31 8:30 am - 11:59 PM**  
Hatsumode (Personal Worship)  
Omamori available in the Pre-school

## JANUARY 2022

- 1 Midnight - 2 am 8 am - 4 pm**  
Hatsumode 2022  
(Shrine will be closed from  
2 AM - 8 AM)
- 2 8:30 am - 4 pm**  
Hatsumode 2022  
Omamori available 8:30 am - 3 pm
- 3 - 31 8:30 am - 4 pm**  
Hatsumode 2022



Heartfelt Mahalo Nui to **Hanayagi Dancing Academy Hawaii Foundation (HDAHF)** for being the lifeline of our Shichigosan.

Pictured are Linda Shinsato - Shrine Officer and Hanayagi Mitsujyuro (Bryson Goda) - principal of HDAHF.

Gayle Fujihara  
Bryson Goda  
Stacie Hata  
Kathy Hamada-Kwock  
Diane Nishida  
Jasmine Umeno



# GOKITO - Private Blessings

Sake, a byproduct of rice has long been a vital part of Japanese culture.

A blessing was performed for the Island Sake Brewery on November 12 to acknowledge the gift that alcoholic beverages made from rice like sake are to the world and our lives.

Islander sake Brewery is a small brewery with a big vision to contribute to Hawaii's rich and vibrant culture by crafting the best sake for people to drink and enjoy while providing a space for all to relax, bond and deepen relationships.

Chiaki Takahashi, the president of the brewery is a former PhD

research scientist who researched the effects of stress on brain chemistry at Nippon Medical School and also taught about the effects of stress on the fermentation process at Japan's National Research Institute of Brewing.



In 1908, Tajiuro Sumida and T. Iwanaga of Kimura and Company opened the Honolulu Japanese Sake Brewery Company in Pauoa Valley.

The Honolulu Sake Brewery continued to operate until 1989 when the brewery was demolished to make way for townhouses.



Her goal is to share her knowledge and techniques of sake brewing with the next generation of sake brewers to perpetuate the traditions brought to Hawaii 150 years ago for another 150 years and beyond.

In 1887, the Kiku Masamune Brewery began exporting sake to Hawaii and California.



# Pre-Orders and Early Selection

## OMAMORI EARLY SELECTION

12/26 Sun - 12/30 Thurs  
9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Find us downstairs of the shrine

- Masks required
- Temperatures will be taken
- Credit card transactions available
- All omamori have been sanitized with UV light and packaged for your safety

The omamori Early Selection days are highly recommended as it is a more relaxed and leisurely experience than New Years day.

All 2022 omamori will be available except for some of the limited Tiger omamori

## PRE-ORDERS

for pickup  
12/26 - 12/29

Omamori pre-orders for pickup accepted from now until 12/29.

For details visit:  
[www.jinja.us/omamori](http://www.jinja.us/omamori)

Email pre-orders to:  
[kotohira@hawaiiantel.net](mailto:kotohira@hawaiiantel.net)

Pickup orders may be pre-paid or paid at the time of pickup

Pre-payment of omamori donations to be made thru this link: [jinja.us/giving](http://jinja.us/giving)

**PICK UP DAYS:**  
12/26 Sun - 12/29 Wed  
9:00 am - 3:00 pm

## MAIL ORDERS

12/26 - 12/29

For details visit:  
[www.jinja.us/omamori](http://www.jinja.us/omamori)

All mail orders must be prepaid. Payment of omamori donations to be made thru this link:  
[www.jinja.us/giving](http://www.jinja.us/giving)

Mailing is done via USPS Priority mail.

Rates start from \$8.50  
Actual postage will be notified prior to shipping

Mail orders will resume again on 1/17 Monday

Feel free to email us with any questions regarding omamori or Hatsumode

[kotohira@hawaiiantel.net](mailto:kotohira@hawaiiantel.net)

Our newest Sainan Yoke Omamori is a special omamori to divert disaster and for protection in times of crisis, chaos, violence and distress.

It also grants us wisdom, strength, patience, perspective, courage and hope in times of need.

The Sainan Yoke Omamori will be available at the shrine from 12/26.



# Utility Pole Replacement

There are many utility poles that are still standing even though they are past their intended lifespan.

The utility pole on Kama Lane, outside the shrine is one of them.



According to HECO, inspections of utility poles are conducted on a routine basis. Results from these inspections will determine the need for replacement.

It costs approximately \$60,000 to replace one utility pole. However, one person electrocuted from a faulty pole will cost HECO far more.

According to HECO, 138,000-volt (138kv) transmission lines transport bulk electricity to transmission substations.

These substations reduce the power to 46-kv. Then, 46-kv lines go to local area distribution substations, which further step down the voltage to 12-kv or 4-kv.

These lower-voltage distribution lines are further stepped down to 240 volts or 120 volts and connected to businesses and homes.

In 1881, King Kalakaua met Thomas Edison at his home in New York to see the incandescent light bulb.



Iolani Palace became one of the world's first royal residences to be lit by electricity in 1886.

A few years later in 1888, Honolulu streets were lit by electricity. HECO was incorporated in 1891 to serve the ever growing needs of the islands.

A wooden utility pole will be replaced on November 26 on Kama Lane.

Preparations were done on November 19 by digging the ground around the old pole and transporting extra dirt in four 55-gallon drum cans. The dirt will be used to stamp the excess hole area to make sure the pole is static and stable.