

Lambda Alpha International 2026 Land Economics Gathering Honolulu, Hawaii

Program at a Glance (Subject to Revision)
As of August 2026

-  Host Hotel: Alohilani Resort, Waikiki, Honolulu
-  Dates: October 8–10, 2026
-  Theme: Navigating Change - Weaving Wisdom and Vision
-  Sponsored by the Aloha Chapter

Day 1 – Thursday, October 8

LAI Business Meetings, Registration, and Optional Activities

7:30 am – 12:00 pm | LAI Business Meetings – Alohilani Resort (Private– National officers & chapter presidents only)

12:00 pm – 4:00 pm | Registration open outside the Stingray room on the third floor of Alohilani Resort

8:00 am-1:00 pm | Optional activity

- Shangri-La and Honolulu Museum of Art, 8 am-1 pm
- Registration required - see Pre/Post-Gathering Activities section below for details

President's Reception (5:00-8:00 pm)

5:00 – 8:15 pm | President's Reception – Waikiki Aquarium

- Aloha/evening casual attire, open air venue
- Welina Oahu (Welcome)
- Private viewing of aquarium exhibits
- Cocktails and heavy appetizers on the aquarium lawn starting at 5:45 PM
- Traditional Hawaiian opening protocol, chant, live music, & dance
- Presentation: Hosting with Aloha, by Peter Apo

Day 2 – Friday, October 9

Plenary & Mobile Tour: Past, Present, and Future of Land Use in Hawai'i (7:30 am – 4:00 pm)

7:30 am | Buses leave Alohilani Resort (Note: bus transport is required to the venue; separate cars will not be admitted)

8:00-11:00 am | Morning Plenary, Kamehameha Schools Hawaiian Heritage Center

- Panel discussion: Native Hawaiian perspectives on land use, moderated by Ulalia Woodside Lee
- Presentation: Overview of land use in Hawai'i, by David Callies
- Explore the Kaiwakilomoku-Heritage Center, Myron B. Thompson museum, traditional navigation compass

11:00 am | Board buses to Kaka'ako

11:30 am-1:30 pm | Lunch and Kaka'ako redevelopment presentation by Howard Hughes Corporation at the historic IBM building in Ward Village

1:40 pm | Board buses back to Alohilani Resort

2:30-4:00 pm | Walking tour from Alohilani Resort - Coastal resilience and sea level rise adaptation in Waikiki with local coastal engineers, scientists and planners from Sea Engineering, Integral Consulting, and University of Hawaii

Dine Arounds or Dinner on your Own

Dinner on your own or join a Dine Around (small group dinners hosted by LAI members and sponsors; participants must pre-register and are responsible for paying for their own meals and transport to the restaurant)

Day 3 – Saturday, October 10

Plenary & Mobile Tour: Skyline Rail & West Oahu (8:00 am – 4:00 pm)

8:00 am | Buses leave Alohilani Resort, narrated bus ride to West Oahu

9:00 am | Arrive at University of Hawaii West Oahu Campus, Coffee and pastries served

9:30-11:00 am | Morning plenary, University of Hawai'i West Oahu Auditorium

- Panel discussion on Planning and Infrastructure for Transit-Oriented Development, moderated by Harrison Rue, former Honolulu and State TOD lead
 - o Jon Nouchi, Director of Transit, City & County of Honolulu, Department of Transportation Services
 - o Craig Nakamoto, Executive Director, Hawaii Community Development Authority
 - o Tracy Tonaki, President, DR Horton Hawaii
 - o Stanford Carr, President, Stanford Carr Development

11:00-11:30 pm | Walk to the Skyline rail station

11:30-12:30 pm | Ride the Skyline rail with local guides to highlight TOD projects and local sights; transfer to buses at the Ahua-Lagoon Drive station and finish the ride to Kakaako

12:30-1:30 pm | Catered lunch at SALT, at community gathering space at Our Kakaako with presentations on Iwilei and Kakaako redevelopment by city and state TOD and Housing staff

1:45-3:30 pm | Small group guided walking tours of Kakaako development projects with local planners and developers

3:30 pm | Bus ride back to Alohilani Resort

Closing Luau (6:00-9:00 pm)

6:00 – 9:00 pm | Closing Luau – Ho'okupu Center at the Kewalo Basin Park

- Wear your aloha attire and celebrate a closing dinner luau-style with us at this award-winning, open air and oceanfront facility featuring views of Diamond Head, Kewalo Harbor and urban Honolulu.
- Learn about the Center's community programs to transform lives and prepare under-resourced youth for the workforce.
- LAI National Awards program
- Aloha o'e (until we meet again) and handoff to San Francisco Chapter for 2027!

Optional Pre-Gathering Activities

Wednesday October 7

LIVING WITH A VOLCANO is an all-day tour of Hawai'i Island areas impacted by the 2018 volcanic eruption, including discussions with government officials on responses to the impacts. If there is an eruption while we are there, we will find a safe spot to observe it! Cost is \$325 per person.

Thursday October 8

SHANGRI-LA is a private curated tour of Doris Duke's unique former home (on the slopes of Diamond Head) and her large Islamic art collection, followed by a visit to the Honolulu Museum of Art. Cost is \$55 per person.

More details and registration at <https://www.eventleaf.com/e/LAI26EXCURSIONS>

Registration for these events is separate from the Gathering, and handled directly by the Aloha Chapter.