

RAMSAR WORLD WETLANDS DAY

Wetlands & Agriculture: Partners for Sustainability & Perpetuation of Culture

Saturday, February 8, 2014

Kailua Methodist Church

1110 Kailua Road, Kailua

9:00am to 1:30pm

Celebrating the Kawainui-Hāmākua Marsh Complex and the role of lo'i kalo in sustaining wetlands

• **Tours of Kawainui-Hāmākua Marsh**

- *Bus tours of the Kawainui-Hāmākua Marsh Complex (advance reservations recommended - email@ahahui.net or 263-8008)*
- *Walking tours of the lo'i kalo at Ulupō Heiau*

• **Hawaiian Perspectives on Wetlands** by Samuel 'Ohu Gon III, Nature Conservancy of Hawai'i, and Waimea Williams

• **Guest Speakers** (Jonathan Scheuer, Moderator)

- **Managing Water for Wetlands:** William Tam, Commission on Water Resources Management, Department of Land & Natural Resources
- **Agricultural Opportunities at Wetlands:** Dr. Carl Evensen, College of Tropical Agriculture & Human Resources, University of Hawai'i
- **Sea Level Change & Wetlands:** Bradley Romine, Sea Grant
- **Restoring Wetlands for Endangered Waterbirds:** James Cogswell, State Division of Forestry and Wildlife

• **Images of Kawainui** by Nathan Yuen, Photographer

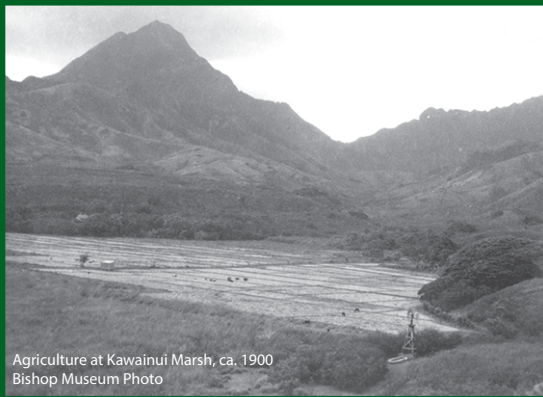
• **Educational Exhibits**

• **Hawaiian Entertainment**

- **Kanikapila (Music)** by Hawai'i Loa & Pila Nahenahe
- **Hālau Ha'a Hula 'O Kekau'ilani Nā Pua Hala 'O Kailua,** Kumu Hula Charlani Kalama

• **Kids Activities & Climbing Wall** by Kama'āina Kids

• **Sale of Hawaiian Plants, Food, Artwork, and T-shirts**



Agriculture at Kawainui Marsh, ca. 1900
Bishop Museum Photo

Come and experience the Kawainui-Hāmākua Marsh Complex. Explore the role that agriculture, especially the traditional growing of kalo, plays in sustaining wetlands by visiting the lo'i kalo at Ulupō Heiau. Learn how the wetlands at Kawainui and Hāmākua are being restored for the endangered waterbirds of Hawai'i.

This is a family-oriented event with activities for the keiki. It will be a fun day with opportunities to explore and learn about the stewardship of our valuable wetlands.



Kawainui-Hāmākua Marsh Complex was declared a Ramsar Wetland of International Importance in 2005. It has also been declared eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places because of its cultural values.

For more information & schedule:

<http://wwd2014.blogspot.com>

www.ahahui.wordpress.com

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