



KPOP DEMON HUNTERS SPOTLIGHT



KOREAN AMERICAN FOUNDATION HAWAII

FRIDAY APRIL 17 | 7:00PM

KPOP DEMON HUNTERS SING-A-LONG
 UNITED STATES | ENGLISH | OPENING NIGHT FILM
 DIRECTOR: MAGGIE KANG, CHRIS APPELHANS

When a chart-topping K-pop girl group leads double lives as demon slayers, they must battle supernatural threats feeding on fandom obsession, fame, and fear—before the darkness consumes their fans, their sisterhood, and the global stage. Dress as your favorite K-Pop Demon Hunter and sing along with this Oscar-winning hit! **Free with RSVP.**

SATURDAY APRIL 18 | 6:00PM

KPOP DEMON HUNTERS MASTERCLASS

Step inside the world of KPOP DEMON HUNTERS with the creative team behind this Oscar-winning film! Discover how they blend music, action, and animation magic, while celebrating AAPI voices and inspiring the next generation of storytellers.

MEMBERSHIP

Join the HIFF 'Ohana and help shape the future of film in Hawai'i. As a supporting member, you'll enjoy member perks while directly powering HIFF's festivals, year-round programs, and education initiatives, including 'Ōpio Fest and the next generation of filmmakers.

\$50
SUPPORTER

- 20% discounts on individual film tickets
- 20% discounts on HIFF Merchandise
- Early access to tickets and passes

\$100
HIFILM INDUSTRY

HIFILM members stay connected year-round with industry panels, member events, and the Industry Directory for networking and collaboration beyond the festival.

All benefits of HIFF Supporter level plus:

\$120
HIFF SELECTS

- Complimentary access to monthly HIFF Selects premiere screenings for 1
- 1 Free ticket to a qualifying festival screening
- 20% discounts on Film Festival Passes & tickets

\$200
HIFF SELECTS+

HIFF SELECTS BENEFITS FOR 2

All benefits of HIFF Industry & Selects levels

\$200
HIFILM + HIFF SELECTS COMBO

- Complimentary access to monthly HIFF Selects premiere screenings for 1, with RSVP
- Access to all HIFILM Industry Members Only Events, Panels and filmmaker benefits

\$1500
PLATINUM

All benefits of HIFF Supporter & Selects+ levels, plus:

One Platinum Pass for HIFF Fall Festival & 'Ōpio Fest, good for VIP access to ALL screenings



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WELCOME

Welcome to the third annual HIFF 'Ōpio Fest presented by Halekulani! We look forward to sharing this special celebration of original student shorts, anticipated feature films, and a special spotlight on KPOP DEMON HUNTERS with the creative team behind the global sensation. Thank you for supporting the next generation of storytellers – the future of film begins with audiences like you.

HOW TO HIFF

Buy tickets and passes at HIFF.ORG

SCAN FOR TICKETS



CONTACT

Email: tickets@hiff.org
 Phone: +1 808-447-0577

TICKET PRICING - HIFF MEMBERS: \$3 DISCOUNT

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| \$17 GENERAL ADMISSION | \$15 SENIOR/STUDENT/ MILITARY | \$20 DAY OF SHOW |
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'ŌPIO FEST PASSES

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| \$130 ALL-ACCESS PASS \$120 for HIFF Members | \$350 PLATINUM PASS \$300 for HIFF Members |
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FRIDAY APRIL 17

KPOP DEMON HUNTERS SING-A-LONG
 7:00PM - 9:00PM

SATURDAY APRIL 18

'ŌPIO JUNIOR SHOWCASE
 11:00AM - 12:20PM

'ŌPIO NEXT GEN SHOWCASE
 1:00PM - 3:15PM

ALL THE THINGS I LEAVE YOU (PATAWID)
 3:45PM - 6:45PM

NUISANCE BEAR
 4:00PM - 5:30PM

KPOP DEMON HUNTERS MASTERCLASS
 6:00PM - 7:00PM

TIME AND WATER
 7:30PM - 9:45PM

CAN'T CRY WITH YOUR FACE
 8:00PM - 10:10PM

SUNDAY APRIL 19

KEIKI INDIGENOUS SHORTS
 11:30AM - 12:45PM

BOONG
 11:45AM - 1:25PM

TUNER
 2:00PM - 3:55PM

HIFF NEXT GEN FILMMAKING FELLOWS PRESENTATION
 3:30PM - 5:30PM

A PALE VIEW OF HILLS
 4:30PM - 6:40PM

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 6:30PM - 8:40PM

I SWEAR
 7:00PM - 9:10PM

APRIL 19 - MAY 3

'Ōpio Junior & Next Gen Showcase available to stream on demand for free. RSVP at HIFF.ORG for the link.

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FILM INFORMATION

APRIL 17 - APRIL 19, 2026



'ŌPIO JUNIOR SHOWCASE

SATURDAY, APRIL 18 | 11:00AM

STUDENT FILMMAKERS IN ATTENDANCE FOR A LIVE Q&A

GROWING WITH POI

BY: ELIANA VIERNES, BREYA HIGA, JAYSEN ACOBA, CHLOE SABILALA, XYRELLE DAGUIO, QUINN TAKATANI
MAUI WAENA INTERMEDIATE

HOW TO GROW A GARDEN WITHOUT SOIL

BY: CEE JAY LANGCAY, XIAN MALAQUI, XYLER FARINAS
HONOWAI ELEMENTARY

HANG LOOSE, SHARE THE SHAKA

DIRECTED BY: CHANCELLOR POWELL, TYLEE SEDENO, RANDYN RANCHES, ALIAH SISTONA
DOLE MIDDLE SCHOOL

KA ULUWEHI O KE KAI (THE PLANTS OF THE SEA)

BY: AYSEN KATAOKA-RESPICIO, JULIA HALL, JAKOB RYEN MALICDEM, ALEIYAH SILVA
HILO INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

KICKING WITH CONFIDENCE

BY: KIRA SETODA, AZARIAH ILDEFONSO, KOI CHANG
HIGHLANDS INTERMEDIATE

KNOWING PEOPLE MADE EASY

BY: CALEB CHOW, MAKAMAE KALUHIWA, GREZYN NAGAO, JIAN CHOO, SOPHIA TUNG, KAI MATSUOKA, ZOYE SCHLAIS, JAMES WARNER, SEAN ENDO, ABIGAIL FONG
HAWAII BAPTIST ACADEMY

KU'IKE

BY: AYL A FORD
HAWAII ACTING AND MODELING ACADEMY

LEAH'S LIST

BY: LILLY GAINEY
HONOLULU ACTING CLUB

MAULO: THE CANOE THAT AWAKENED OUR WAY

BY: FINNEGAN LEDUC, NATALIE MCDOWELL, SOFIA TRIBUIANO, AARON KEENAN, CY GILLETTE, KAHAKUPO'OLANI DALTON, MANASE LARRUA
HAWAII PREPARATORY ACADEMY VILLAGE CAMPUS

POWERHOUSE PRODUCTIONS

BY: VINCENT HE, VICKY HE, TIAN YI, CHENG DI, HAN SEN, SHU HUI, SAMUEL LUO, KELSEY HE
CARES AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM

SEEK SHELTER

BY: KAYLA WAINWRIGHT, CASEY WONG, AVA CHOY, ETHAN IDETA, KASEN KAMADA, ABIGAIL KIM, JETER NAKASHIMA, EMMA OGINO, BRAYDEN TANI, KYLIE WUCHANG, WALTER YOUNG, KOLTEN SAKAMOTO
HAWAII BAPTIST ACADEMY

THE LEGACY OF PANIOLO, THE STORY OF THE GORDON KALANIOPIO

BY: ANUHEA KALANIOPIO, CY GILLETTE, NANEA BRATTIN
HAWAII PREPARATORY ACADEMY VILLAGE CAMPUS

'ULU MAIKA

BY: NALEIAULI' KA'AI, GABRIEL GONZALES, CHELEE-ROSE PUA'A, AVERIE BISHAW-JUARIO, KOHZIAH PHILLIPS
KAUNAKAKAI ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND MOLOKAI MIDDLE SCHOOL



'ŌPIO NEXT GEN SHOWCASE

SATURDAY, APRIL 18 | 1:00PM

STUDENT FILMMAKERS IN ATTENDANCE FOR A LIVE Q&A

A RECIPE FOR RESILIENCE

BY: RYAN ALACAR, LONDON ESPIRITU, TRITON GONZAGA
JAMES CAMPBELL HIGH SCHOOL

ART TO RAY & VULNERABILITY

BY: LUPE MAKISI, MARY MURPHY, KIMBERLY BARIT, ANGEL "RAYZE" TYRELL
LEILEHUA HIGH SCHOOL

BETSY

BY: CORTEZI LIMBERT
HOMESCHOOL

CURRENTS

BY: BROOKE BELTRAN, ANGELICA JOY BARENG BURGUILLOS, ACE MAGAOAY
MOANALUA HIGH SCHOOL

FISHED

BY: ANDREA-KAYTE CARDON, CHEYENNE MACKAY, WINSTON CAMPBELL, JULIUS PACHECO
HISAKO FILM LAB

FLOWERS

BY: SIENNA NORDSTROM
LA PIETRA HAWAII SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

ISLAND OF RESILIENCE

BY: OVID DUNNICK, LOGAN WICK, CALVIN-PAUL ARAK
MAUI HULIAU FOUNDATION AND HAWAII TECHNOLOGY ACADEMY

KE KINO LUA

BY: EVE DAVIDSON
MID-PACIFIC INSTITUTE

MANEKI

BY: LAURYN JIM ON
IOLANI SCHOOL

NEVER NOTHING

BY: HEAVENLEE HOKUNANI LAKA BOTELHO-SARCEDO, MARLEY DAVIDSON, JEMIMA TITANIA, ZARA SPEICHER, ALANA CREPS
HAWAII WOMEN IN FILMMAKING

ONE SMALL THING

BY: HAILEY HADLEY, KAI GANIR, GINGER AND TIARE NUNES
KAPA'A HIGH SCHOOL

OPPA

BY: EMMA LEE
MID-PACIFIC INSTITUTE

SOMETHING NEW

BY: BRANSEN TUBBS, ISAIAH COPPA
H.P BALDWIN HIGH SCHOOL

THE LUNCHABLE

BY: KAILA SCHARFF
HAWAII ACTING AND MODELING ACADEMY

THE WHIMSICAL TALE OF WES & FRANK

BY: EMI CATANZARITI, KASEN ISA
IOLANI SCHOOL AND MID-PACIFIC INSTITUTE

TIDES OF CHANGE

BY: HINA ATTEBERRY, HANNAH CABEBE, JAYDEN DELAGINTE
HISAKO FILM LAB

UNDER PRESSURE

BY: ISABEAU BELBOT, ANNALINA DE HAAS, MASEN MASCOTO
HISAKO FILM LAB

UNRAVELED

BY: RICA MARIE RAGASA
PEARL CITY HIGH SCHOOL

WAYFINDERS OF WAIANAE

BY: TREVOR CHASE, POMAIIKAI HO, DAYTON KAWAILIMA-YOSHIDA, KAWAHI WEAVER, KU'ULEI MOMOA, KAI PIHANA, KEKAULIKE MIKES, RUSTIN RZONCA, KALĀNUI KAMAUNU, RUSTIN VANGIESON
MENEHUNE FILM ACADEMY

WAR BOY (TRAILER)

BY: KASEN ISA
MID-PACIFIC INSTITUTE

X MARKS THE SPOT

BY: CALLA CHEUNG
WAIPAHU HIGH SCHOOL

FEATURE FILMS

A PALE VIEW OF HILLS

SUNDAY, APRIL 19 | 4:30PM, 6:30PM

DIRECTOR: KEI ISHIKAWA | UNITED KINGDOM, JAPAN, POLAND | ENGLISH, JAPANESE W/ ENGLISH SUBTITLES | 123M

Dual timelines explore a Japanese widow's memories spanning post-war Nagasaki in 1950s and England during 1980s Cold War era, unraveling secrets that intertwine her past and present experiences across borders. Based on the celebrated novel by Kazuo Ishiguro.

ALL THE THINGS I LEAVE YOU (PATAWID)

SATURDAY, APRIL 18 | 3:45PM

DIRECTOR: JADE CASTRO | PHILIPPINES, UNITED STATES | ILOCANO W/ ENGLISH SUBTITLES | 163M

At a family-run restaurant in Ilocos, privileged Jorge clashes with street-smart Kiko, newly hired by Jorge's grandfather, Tino, a retired sakada. From the creator of MY PARTNER, this 6-part Ilokano Boys' Love web series exploring class, intimacy, and inherited legacies.

BOONG

SUNDAY, APRIL 19 | 11:45AM

DIRECTOR: LAKSHMIPRIYA DEVI | INDIA | MANIPURI W/ ENGLISH SUBTITLES | 94M

When nine-year-old schoolboy Boong hears a rumor that his father has passed, he and his best friend Raju make the journey to Moreh to investigate in this class-conscious, charming coming-of-age border drama that just garnered the Best Children's Film category at the 2026 BAFTAs beating out juggernauts ZOOTOPIA 2 and LILO & STITCH.

CAN'T CRY WITH YOUR FACE

SATURDAY, APRIL 18 | 8:00PM

DIRECTOR: YUICHIRO SAKASHITA | JAPAN | JAPANESE W/ ENGLISH SUBTITLES | 123M

During their first year of high school, Mizumura and Sakahira fall into a pool and mysteriously switch bodies. When a chance to switch back emerges, they must decide who they've truly become.

I SWEAR

SUNDAY, APRIL 19 | 7:00PM

DIRECTOR: KIRK JONES | UNITED KINGDOM | ENGLISH | 121M

Based on the life story of Tourette's Syndrome campaigner John Davidson, MBE. Set within 1980s Britain, the story follows him throughout his troubled teens and early adulthood, and explores this little known and entirely misunderstood condition, along with his attempts to live a 'normal' life against the odds.

NUISANCE BEAR

SATURDAY, APRIL 18 | 4:00PM

DIRECTOR: GABRIELA OSIO VANDE, JACK WEISMAN | CANADA, UNITED STATES | ENGLISH | 90M

A polar bear is forced to navigate a human world of tourists, wildlife officers, and hunters as its ancient migration collides with modern life. When a sacred predator is branded a nuisance, it becomes unclear who truly belongs in this shared landscape.

TIME AND WATER

SATURDAY, APRIL 18 | 7:30PM

DIRECTOR: SARA DOSA | USA, ICELAND | ENGLISH, ICELANDIC W/ ENGLISH SUBTITLES | 127M

Icelandic writer Andri Snær Magnason turns his archives into a time capsule to hold what is slipping away — family, memory, time, and water. The latest from award winning director Sara Dosa (FIRE OF LOVE).

TUNER

SUNDAY, APRIL 19 | 2:00PM

DIRECTOR: DANIEL ROHER | UNITED STATES | ENGLISH | 109M

A gifted piano tuner's meticulous skills for tuning pianos lead him to discover an unexpected aptitude for cracking safes, turning his life upside down. From NAVALNY Oscar winner Daniel Roher, starring Dustin Hoffman and Leo Woodall.

KEIKI INDIGENEOUS SHORTS

SUNDAY, APRIL 19 | 11:30AM

68M

A return to kid's animation mornings! Fun, family friendly short films from around the world, including Pasifika and Indigenous stories. Recommended for keiki under 12 years old.



'ŌPIO STUDENT AWARDS

SATURDAY DURING LIVE Q&A

The 'Ōpio Student Awards will be revealed during Q&A of the programs, along with a cash prize for the Best 'Ōpio Student Film Awards, courtesy of Fields Psychiatric Consultants!



HIFF NEXT GEN FILMMAKING FELLOWS WORK-IN-PROGRESS PRESENTATION

SUNDAY, APRIL 19 | 3:30PM

EMERGING FILMMAKERS FROM HIFF'S NEXT GEN FELLOWSHIP WILL PRESENT THEIR WORKS-IN-PROGRESS. BE PART OF THE DISCUSSION AND SHOW YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR NEXT GEN FILMMAKERS!