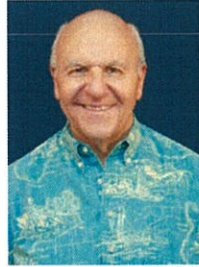




MESSAGE FROM MAYOR RICK BLANGIARDI



I am very pleased to send my warmest aloha to the performers, participants, organizers, and spectators of the 29th Honolulu Festival, March 7-9, 2025.

This vibrant festival offers residents and visitors a wonderful three-day cultural celebration that entertains, educates and creates mutual understanding. This year's theme, "Bridging Cultures, Together for a Peaceful Tomorrow," reflects the festival's success in creating rewarding connections between people and providing a foundation upon which to build goodwill and strengthen the values and quality of life for future generations.

Mahalo to the Honolulu Festival Foundation for organizing this annual event that nurtures appreciation and understanding, celebrates the culture and arts of the Pacific Rim nations, and promotes mutual understanding, economic cooperation and harmony between the people of Hawai'i and the Pacific Rim. Many thanks to the performers and artisans for sharing their art and talent, for the time and efforts of the organizers and volunteers, and the support of the sponsors.

On behalf of the people of the City and County of Honolulu, I extend best wishes for an enjoyable and memorable celebration.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rick Blangiardi".

Rick Blangiardi