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BACKYARD CONCERT #10 DIGITAL PROGRAM





























Thank you for joining us for our Backyard Concert Series, Concert #10 featuring the Legacy Ukulele Ensemble. We have enjoyed featuring many wonderful artists, and it's been our pleasure to share the talents of Hawaii with you all.

Part of our mission with these Backyard Concerts, is to not only feature the amazing talent here in Hawaii (both established and up and coming) but to feature great things that are happening within the Ukulele Community. This is why, when Peter Luongo told us he and his group would be on Oahu, we jumped at the chance to film them.

Peter has been a driving force, for decades, in helping share the beauty of the ukulele throughout Canada and the world. Craig and I have been able to be a part of many events with Peter throughout our careers and know this concert will inspire many and bring fond memories of times past.

If you are interested in supporting Season 2 of our series, please visit our website to learn more about how you could be a Supporter, Patron, or Associate Producer. Every little bit helps as we continue to build and nurture our community.

Website: CraigandSarah.com/Backyard

Thank you to all of you who supported and watched Season 1. Our next season is shaping up to be amazing and we can't wait to share it with you. Be sure to join our mailing list so you don't miss when we annouce our first concert date, November of 2022 with NUF.

Love and Aloha,

Craig Chee & Sarah Maisel

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The Legacy Ukulele Ensemble

The Legacy Ukulele
Ensemble is a group of 22
players from across the
America and Canada who
are directed and led by
internationally acclaimed
ukulele teacher, Peter
Luongo. The ensemble is
committed to developing
their music literacy and



ukulele playing skills with the goal of performing and sharing their music with audiences. The group meets throughout the year (10 months of the year) in various locations across the U.S. During these 2 to 30-day sessions the members work intensively on refining and adding to their repertoire list (currently 25 pieces) and each session culminates with at least one public performance. Follow up resources (videos and supporting materials) are sent for the members to use as they rehearse between sessions and individuals rely on regular on-line support to assist them. The group's repertoire lists includes Hawaiian, classical, folk, rock, and country songs, all of which are performed by memory on stage.

Past accomplishments have included multiple appearances at festivals, conferences, and performance tours. They have appeared on the main stages of the Hawaiian International Ukulele Festival on two occasions, as well as at the Reno and Palm Springs Ukulele Festivals. In 2018 and again in 2022 the ensemble participated in a 7-day performance tours to Hawaiian and in 2019 they had a 7-day West Coast U.S. tour through Washington and Oregon States. They have also been showcased at the NAMM Shows in Anaheim, California in 2019, 2020, and 2022. Most recently the ensemble performed at the California Hotel in Las Vegas and in March of 2022 they will return to Vegas to perform at The Cal again in September 2022 and at the KumuKahi Ukulele and Hula Festival in November.

The Legacy Ukulele Ensemble's mandate is to model life-long learning! The members are committed to developing their music-literacy and musicianship while learning to play the ukulele a developing their choral singing ability. They hope to inspire adults to embrace life-long learning as they continue to evolve as musicians and performers.





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Backyard Concerts

Herb Ohta Jr.

Concert #1



CONCERT LINK: https://craigandsarah.com/backyard-concerts/1

International recording artist Herb Ohta, Jr., is considered to be one of today's most prolific `ukulele masters. The son of `ukulele legend "Ohta-san," he started playing at the age of three, and teaching at the age of nine. He now shares the music of Hawai'i and the beauty of the 'ukulele with people around the world, performing and conducting instructional workshops.

He has won 6 Na Hoku Hanohano awards and is a 4 time Hawai'i Music Award Winner.

Kalei Gamiao Concert #2



CONCERT LINK: https://youtu.be/rlgOG-fY8EM

Kalei began playing the ukulele at 13 and was instantly hooked. His exposure to a wide variety of ukulele masters motivated him to embrace a range of styles.

With 3 completed nominated albums to his name Kalei Gamiao been at the forefront of today's ukulele revolution since 2008 when his debut album, "Contemporary Ukulele". Kalei has toured the world sharing his music and talent. He is one of the founders of aNueNue USA, an ukulele company that prides itself on craftsmanship.



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Karlie G Concert #3



CONCERT LINK: https://youtu.be/-oWNUNh_C8M

Karlie G is an award-winning singer-songwriter from Hawaii. In 2018 Karlie produced and engineered her first full-length album titled "Have Fun." This album received the 2019 Na Hoku Hanohano award for R&B album of the year. Her latest album was nominated for this year's awards, and she was nominated for Best Female Vocalist of the Year.

Karlie has fast become known as a creative 'looping' artist, where she uses effect pedals during live performances effectively creating a one-girl band.

Honoka Concert #4



CONCERT LINK: https://youtu.be/oKAm9EBoUVw

Brought up in Hawaii embraced by beauty from the mountains to the sea, Honoka has grown an admiration for the nature that surrounds us. This connection to nature, in all of its diverse vibrancy, is what inspires her music. In 2019, Honoka released her debut single entitled "Island Of Love" inspired by spending summer at home in Hawaii with the person that she loves. She is currently working on new music and hopes to share it with the world very soon!





Kala'e Camarillo

Concert #5

Born and raised in Kihei, Maui, Kala'e Camarillo comes from a family of music educators and entertainers.

He began is musical journey at the age of 7, playing multiple instruments. In 2009, Kala'e moved to O'ahu to attend the University of Hawaii at Manoa and graduated with a degree in Elementary & Special Education. His passion for music education led him to become a third generation music teacher. He has been nominated for multiple Na Hoku Hanohano Awards and won his first award in 2019.



CONCERT LINK: https://youtu.be/PD_WjO4En20

Andrew Molina Concert #6

Andrew started playing at the age of 13 inspired by Jake. His first CD "The Beginning" was released in 2013, his next album "A New Journey" was released in 2017 and "Evolve3" will be out April 16th. His music covers a wide variety of genres including, Hawaiian, pop, rock, blues, latin, classical and jazz and is a mix of original music and cover songs. He has traveled and performed across the US and internationally to China, Tahiti, England, Austria, Scotland and Ireland teaching workshops and playing concert dates.



CONCERT LINK: https://youtu.be/cv5Kts6owg0



Neal Chin Concert #7

CONCERT LINK: https://youtu.be/fSqltSwK06A

Award winning artist and Maui, HI native Neal Chin, has been both an 'ukulele educator and performer over the course of his musical career of 19 years. His clear and direct enthusiasm for music has come to life in countless workshops, concerts, and private instruction. While his heart is in jazz, Neal has played with many musicians of different genres. His contribution to the collective The Akira Project, won his first Nā Hōkū Hanohano Award in 2014. His two albums, "Ukulele Paintings" & "The Spotless Mind" were both nominated for Na Hoku Hanohano Awards.



Ke'olu Concert #8

known as Ke`olu. Together, their voices blend to create a unique sound that bridges traditional and contemporary styles. Their passion and love for music includes not only the traditional Hawaiian genre, but also hits from the 70s, 80s, and more. They are an incredible joy to watch perform and we know you will love their

CONCERT LINK: https://youtu.be/a8nW4lfs7oQ

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beautiful harmonies and music.



Jeff Peterson Concert #9

Recognized as one of Hawaii's most versatile musicians, Jeff Peterson is at the heart of the Hawaiian music scene today. Though his focus has been Slack Key

Guitar for most of his career, he has always had a passion for ukulele.

He is a multiple Na Noku Hanohano award winner, has contributed to two Grammy Award-winning records, and has even been nominated for a Grammy himself.

Five of his songs were also featured in the

movie, The Descendants. His online Ukulele

place where students can hone their skills.

School, Ukulele Corner, is a wonderful



CONCERT LINK: https://youtu.be/RJun8pl6rd0

The Legacy Ukulele Ensemble Concert #10



CONCERT LINK: https://youtu.be/K-u3MUkqA5w

The Legacy Ensemble, directed by Peter Luongo, is an international group that is focused on life-long learning. They meet throughout the year in various locations to rehearse and perform. They have appeared at Festivals all over the United States, including a showcase at the NAMM Show in Anaheim.

