



Preserving and promoting the rich history of Kapaia Valley

Kapaia Foundation

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Koinobori Kaua'i 2024!

Kapaia Foundation's April Newsletter highlights Koinobori Kaua'i. The flying carp is a symbol of hope that children will grow up physically strong and courageous against adversity. A rare sight in our community today, Kapaia Foundation continues the colorful and joyful tradition introduced to Hawaii by Japanese sugar plantation immigrants.

We display strings of windsock carp to remember the entire community of Kapaia in its heyday, the 1930's, and to celebrate all children. The koinobori will be flying in Kapaia Valley from April 27 – May 24. It will be an amazing sight when the wind blows, making the koi windsocks appear to be swimming vigorously against an imaginary river current and leaping over rapids! This impressive display instills community pride and fulfills a need for cultural enrichment and historical preservation.

We hope to achieve awareness of the contributions of sugar plantation era immigrants to the history of Hawaii.



VOLUNTEER WORK DAYS

Three work days are planned to prepare for the happy display. Volunteers are welcome and appreciated!

April 13, Saturday, 8am-12pm Clean grounds and river bank. Take out and clean poles and stakes. Wear comfortable clothes, covered shoes and gloves. Bring any tool you want to use....weed wacker, chain saw, rake, lopper, sickle, etc. Lunch will be provided.

April 20, Saturday, 8am-12pm Clean grounds and pound pole stakes. Wear comfortable clothes, covered shoes and gloves. Bring any tool you want to use....post pounder, weed wacker, chain saw, rake, lopper, sickle, etc. Lunch will be provided.

April 27, Saturday, 8am-12pm Raise koinobori and clean grounds. Wear comfortable clothes and covered shoes. Koi raisers should bring a scissors & needle nose pliers. Grounds maintenance volunteers can bring any tool listed above. Lunch will be provided.



Be a Koinobori Sponsor

Sponsorship helps cover the cost of the free public display. Sponsor's name will be displayed on the sponsor koi. A message can be printed as well. For example, a koi could be in honor of, memory of, happy birthday to, congratulations to, love from, etc., etc. Kois will fly until May 24. **Print and fill out the attached sponsor pdf file** and mail with a check or cc info to Kapaia Foundation, 4453 Laukini Rd. Lihu'e, HI 96766. To expedite your order, or if you have questions, email kapaiafoundation@gmail.com or **text/call 808 639-3606**

Mahalo to Koinobori Kaua'i 2024 Sponsors (as of 4/8/2024)

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Kapaia Foundation members & friends

Koi Windsocks for Sale

Colorful polyester koi windsocks are for sale Mon-Fri from 8am-4pm at SIGNart, 4453 Laukini Rd. Lihue. Mahalo to SIGN ART for assisting Kapaia Foundation with its annual windsock fundraiser.

12"	\$ 8
24"	\$ 10
36"	\$ 19
60"	\$ 28



Keep this colorful and happy local tradition alive by flying a koi windsock to celebrate the joy of children!

Note: **Purchased** koi windsocks are for you and your own use. A **Sponsor** koi is a donation to Kapaia Foundation and will be displayed in Kapaia Valley, next to the swinging bridge, until May 19.

Mahalo to all Kapaia Foundation Members and Supporters

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(PDF printable file attached)

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