



KS IN THE NEWS



Re-invigorating Kamehameha's Alumni Glee tradition are (l-r) choral masters Randie Fong, Tim Ho and Les Ceballos.

ALUMNI MEN'S & WOMEN'S GLEE CLUBS FORMING

Experienced Kamehameha Schools Alumni singers are invited to attend a placement session for the Kamehameha Schools Men's and Women's Alumni Glee Clubs on Monday, September 11, from 6:30-9 p.m. in the Choral Room of the Ke'elikōlani Performing Arts Center.

"Choral singing is one of Kamehameha's greatest traditions," said Performing Arts Department Head **Randie Fong '78**, "and the primary purpose of our alumni glee clubs is to perpetuate this tradition at the highest level of excellence possible."

Fong, along with co-directors **Tim Ho '83** and Les Ceballos, is looking to revitalize Kamehameha's Alumni Glee tradition, and for the very first time, they're adding a Women's Club, thanks in no small part to popular demand combined with the new energies Fong, Ho and Ceballos bring to the effort. "It's going to be a lot of fun," says Fong, "Tim, Les and I just can't wait to get started – to hear that rich Kamehameha sound again, wow! You know, we are just saying – Hey! Let's go gang!"

Are you an alumnus with fond memories of a favorite Song Contest? Or, Concert Glee? What about songs that pull at your heartstrings, like *Hole Waimea* or *Pua Mae 'Ole*? *Ka'ililauokekoa* if you're a guy; *'Āina Malihini* or *Ku'u Lei 'Awapuhi* if you're a gal? If so, you're gonna love this!

"Kamehameha has graduated generations of outstanding singers," said Fong. "Finally, after many, many years, there is a place for these talented and able alumni to sharpen their vocal skills and be a part of a choral ensemble that can easily become one of the finest choirs anywhere in the world. On the more casual side, for those who play instruments we're even hoping to do some kanikapila! And, who knows, maybe even hula for those so inclined. It's gonna be a blast!"

And, future alumni glee club members,

here are a few qualifications the directors are looking for:

- Vocal quality;
- Ability to discern pitch (intonation);
- Ability to blend;
- Appropriate range for voice part (i.e., soprano, alto, tenor, bass);
- Ability to read music a plus (but not required);
- A serious commitment to excellence; and,
- A serious commitment to the joys of song

"The ideal size for a glee club is 24 voices," says Fong, "but if there's sufficient quality and interest, a maximum of 40 voices per glee club will be strongly considered."

Experienced alumni interested in singing some of the most beautiful and challenging music ever written should contact Randie Fong at the Kamehameha Schools Performing Arts Center by phone at 842-8975, or by e-mail at rafong@ksbe.edu or fongr004@hawaii.rr.com.

DECEMBER PBS SPECIAL "HAWAI'I, SONGS OF ALOHA"

Kamehameha Schools Performing Arts Director **Randie Fong '78** has been named artistic director of a national Public Broadcasting System (PBS) special "Hawai'i, Songs of Aloha." The hour-long program will air nationwide during PBS' Pledge Week in early December.

Besides being the first major nationally broadcast television show put together by Hawaiians, about Hawaiian music, and with Hawaiian messages and images that are real, meaningful, and non-stereotypical, "over 90-percent of participating artists and consultants are KS graduates and five percent are KS families," said Fong. "**Aaron Mahi '71** will direct the house band, **Elizabeth Lindsey '74** will host, and performers include **Robert '67** and **Roland '68 Cazimero**, Mākaha Sons (KS parents), **Keola Beamer '69**, **Nā Leo Pilimehana '84**, and for the finale, KS Concert Glee. Other performers include Willie K & Amy Hānaiali'i, O'Brian Eselu and Hapa."

Watch for the "Hawai'i, Songs of Aloha" special in December on your local PBS affiliate.



Nā Leo Pilimehana



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INSIDE THE BELTWAY

A hearty contingent of KS folks hit the Beltway in a big way in April. Led by Trustee Robert Kihune, Dr. Hamilton McCubbin and KS President Dr. Michael Chun. KS representatives were in D.C. to share information about Kamehameha’s strategic planning initiatives and its commitment to Native Hawaiian grant programs.

While in the nation’s capitol, the team met with members of the Department of Education and major legislative players including our Hawai’i delegation – Sens. Daniel Inouye and **Daniel Akaka ‘42** and Reps. Patsy Mink and Neil Abercrombie – as well as the likes of education-advocate Sen. Ted Kennedy.

“The Native Hawaiian Education Act was on the floor of the House while we were there,” said **Shar Chun-Lum ‘68**, Summer Programs Principal, “and we were able to urge support for Native Hawaiian education grant monies not only for Kamehameha’s administration but for other Hawaiian agency grants as well.”

Also part of the Kamehameha team were KS Preschools Operations Manager Linda Cunningham, Safe and Drug Free Program’s Terry Kelly, Lu Ann Fujimoto of the Grants Office, and Edwin Ing, KS consulting attorney in Washington.

KA ‘ŌMUKU

Tamarind Park/Bishop Square, at the corner of King and Bishop Streets in Downtown Honolulu, was once the home of a glorious tamarind tree that bore special meaning to the life of Ke Ali’i Bernice Pauahi Bishop.

Buried beneath it’s sprawling root system lay Ke Ali’i Pauahi’s ‘iwe, or afterbirth. “This tree was special to Pauahi,” says KS Hawaiian Studies Institute Acting Director **Kaipo Hale ‘68**, “because she would read and sometimes teach under its branches.”

Cut down to make way for the Bishop Square development, the ‘ōmuku, or stump of the tamarind tree, was – by virtue of its historical significance – housed and preserved with care at the Bernice Pauahi Bishop Museum.

On June 16, it came home to Kamehameha. On loan for one year, the ‘ōmuku will reside – and may be viewed – four months at a time in the KES Learning Center, the Unit 7/8 Learning Center and, finally, Midkiff Learning Center.

BEST IN STATE

For innovative use of a computer program that organizes geographical data, Kamehameha Schools was selected as the Hawai’i winner of the “Special Achievement in GIS Award,” bestowed at the Environmental Systems Research Institute’s 20th Annual User Conference in San Diego.

GIS stands for geographic information system, a computer program that uses maps to catalog data base information which, in turn, becomes available with the click of a mouse.

KS’ GIS has customized access to more than 100 informational topics such as streams, wells, pumps, KS parcels, waterlines, shoreline management areas, census information, state conservation areas – even cultural and historic site information.

Originally designed for KS land asset managers, KS has begun to expand use of the program to education. A pilot project currently details a map of all the colleges on O’ahu, how many KS students attend, how many have graduated plus hot links to the college’s own website. This project may soon be expanded to include mainland colleges and universities.



Pauahi’s children reverently reach out to the ‘ōmuku.



GIS Trophy