

Hawaii Kotohira Jinsha • Hawaii Dazaifu Tenmangu

Happy New Year!!!

The dawn of a new year over flows with hope that invites us to reflect and to recreate ourselves anew.

This year, may we all find a connection to spirit that can guide and nurture us in our growth as a nation and as individuals.

Open your mind to new possibilities, discover the divine within yourself and empower yourself to achieving your goals and purpose in life

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HATSUMODE 2022

Here are some of the protocols from Hatsumode 2021, implemented again this year to keep you safe.

- Encouraged Japan-style worship without a priest assistant waving a paper wand over one's head, to prevent virus spread.
- Bell and ropes at the shrine were removed in February 2020 to prevent cross contamination.
- Hand washing basins were sealed in February 2020 and hand sanitizers were encouraged in lieu of hand washing at the Temizu basin
- We offered *Saisaki-mode* and Early Selection of *omamori* which began on December 26 for those who preferred not to gather en masse.

- We implemented social distancing measures in all public and volunteer-only areas with markers to communicate social distancing measures
- *Ozoni* service was once again canceled to minimize any possibility of virus-borne illnesses
- Hand sanitizers were placed throughout the property
- Temperatures were taken prior to entering a capacity-controlled *omamori* area.
- Enhanced and frequent cleaning with UV lights and hospital-grade disinfectants.
- All *omamoris* were packaged and sanitized with UV lights throughout the day.
- Floors of the *omamori* area were swept and mopped every 30

minutes as were all high-touch surfaces.

- Personal Protection equipment was available for all volunteers and visitors.
- Check out and *omikuji* booths were placed in well ventilated areas.
- Tap-and-go credit cards, ApplePay, GooglePay were accepted for contact-free transactions. All terminals were disinfected after each use.

For the second year, we hope our commitment for strengthening safety and sanitizing measures to prevent the spread of viruses in welcoming all of you have provided everyone with a safe, sanitary and inviting environment and your continued trust and loyalty.

Heartfelt MAHALO to our Volunteers

EARLY SELECTION

12/26 - 12/30

Renee Carlyle
Gayle Fujihara
Kathy Hamada-Kwock
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Diane Nishida
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HATSUMODE PREP

12/26 - 12/30

Art Isa
Gary Shinsato



HATSUMODE SETUP

12/30

Jeff Fujioka
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Heartfelt MAHALO to our volunteers

HATSUMODE

12/31 - 1/1

Nate Chee
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Gayle Fujihara
Jeff Fujioka
Bryson Goda
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HATSUMODE CLEANUP

1/2

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Kathy
Hamada-Kwock
Milton Kwock
Stacie Hata
Kai Igarashi

Pam Igarashi
Brenna Imada
Art Isa
Becky Isa
Marilyn Naitoh
Shinken Naitoh
Craig Nishida
Diane Nishida
Rory Onishi
Stuart Pang
Gary Shinsato

Linda Shinsato
Naomi Teramoto



HATSUMODE

1/3 - 1/5

Diane Nishida



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GOKITO Private Blessings

CALENDAR



A blessing for a new business was performed at a hotel in Waikiki.

COVID-19 has placed a tremendous strain on the US economy with more than 100,000 businesses permanently closing their doors.

Despite the closures, the increase in new businesses in the US has hit a 13-year high which is quite inspiring that brave entrepreneurs are taking risks to start a

a business during such unprecedented times.

As we enter yet another year of the pandemic - - Kudos to the many small businesses that have scrambled to adapt and stay afloat.

You've stepped into a bold new worldCongratulations on your new business and best wishes for never-ending success!



Kanai Anzen Family Blessing

FEBRUARY

6 2 pm (INTERNAL)

Tsukinamisai & Setsubun

MARCH

6 2 pm (INTERNAL)

Sake Appreciation Festival

APRIL

24 2 pm (INTERNAL)

Spring Thanksgiving Festival

Scholarship Awards

MAY

1 2 pm (INTERNAL)

Tsukinamisai Monthly Service

Visit our website at www.jinja.us

GOKITO Private Blessings



Yakudoshi years are said to hold many physical and emotional challenges - especially *Dai Yaku* (Major *Yaku*) which are 42 for men and 33 for women.

Crisis is an opportunity for growth and *Yakudoshi* is a time to look within and acknowledge the changes, take stock of your life and set new goals.

Refer to the website's *Yakudoshi* page for more information.



House Blessings were performed for a home in Mililani and a home in Kapahulu



Flight is a miraculous gift to humanity.

Although airlines face a difficult environment in this pandemic - JAL continues to provide a prompt, safe and secure travel experience for all passengers.

JAL was established on August 1, 1951 as the first wholly Japanese airlines and celebrated its 70th anniversary in 2021. A New Years Blessing was performed on 1/5

Year of the Water Tiger

In 2022, the Water element dominates the energy of the year and symbolizes spontaneity, unforeseen changes, struggles, conflicts, extremes and surprising developments. Beware of kidney and sleep issues.

RAT - Avoid confrontations, lawsuits and major decisions. Luck will change yearend, for the better.

Ox - Many changes but the Ox will successfully deal with any adversities.

Tiger - Challenging and unsettling year in interpersonal relationships and health.

Rabbit - Frustrating year as Rabbits will not obtain the recognition they deserve.

Dragon - Good year with opportunities and lucky breaks to recover lost funds from previous years.

Snake - Complex year which will prove to be a learning experience. Be prepared for unforeseen expenses.

Horse - Optimism and adventure awaits. Work and money flourish.

Sheep - Interesting opportunities. No financial setbacks or health issues.

Monkey - Exhausting but stimulating year of many challenges. Travel to disperse negative energies.

Rooster - Year focused on renewal and transformation in all aspects of life.

Dog - Smooth year rich in surprises. Things go your way with hard work.

Boar - Unexpected expenses, romantic setbacks. Overall, a rewarding year.

Those born in the years of the Tiger, Snake and Monkey should carry a Tiger year omamori or wear our 2022 Tiger T-shirt to alleviate some of the negative energies of the Water Tiger year. You can also display the 12 Zodiac figurines or *Shichifukujin* figurines in the East corner of your living room to pave the way for a safe and peaceful year of positive opportunities.

View event photos at www.flickr.com/kotohira-dazaifu