

## Ka Ulu Lauhala O Kona Perpetuates Art of Weaving

The time-honored skill of weaving with pandanus leaves is showcased at the 16<sup>th</sup> Lauhala Conference September 7-11 at the Keauhou Beach Resort.

The four-day event offers lauhala weaving workshops with top Hawai'i instructors in a friendly, sharing format. The conference is offered by Ka Ulu Lauhala O Kona, a non-profit benevolent organization with the mission to perpetuate, preserve and ensure the growth of the traditional art of lauhala weaving.

Aunty Elizabeth Maluhi Lee of Kona, who is known for her signature lauhala hats, is founder of the event and will again be offering instruction this year. The workshop offers six different sessions: Beginners, Intermediate I and II, Advanced I and II, and Specialties. Students will make certain things in each workshop. The workshop closes on Saturday with a buffet dinner, craft fair and fashion show.

To find out if student registration is still available, contact 808-989-6008. For event accommodations, phone the Keauhou Beach Resort and request the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Lauhala Conference room rate, 808-324-2515. For event details, visit <http://sites.google.com/site/kalululauhalaokona/>.