## Taste of Okinawa "Sharing is Belonging"

Friday, June 23, 2023 5:30 pm – 8:30 pm Pagoda Hotel Banquet Halls 1525 Rycroft St. Honolulu, Hawaii

**Tickets** \$75.00 before June 9; \$90.00 thereafter. No walk-ins. 21 years and older. Tickets available via Eventbrite (below).

## **Banquet Parking**

Ross's clothing store on Kanunu Street. \$3.00 with validation.

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Worldwide Uchinanchu Business Association The Worldwide Uchinanchu Business Association of Hawai'i is once again celebrating and sharing the food and drink of Okinawa and its worldwide diaspora.

It is said Okinawans cannot resist an opportunity to celebrate life's events, especially for children and seniors. The energy and enthusiasm of youth makes us young, and WUB will partner with the young people of Shinka Hawaii to put on this event. Sharing culture and food is a means to bringing the generations together.

Uchinanchu prospered by helping others. In this spirit of "yuimaaru," the Taste of Okinawa is fundraiser for the UH Center for Okinawan Studies to support deserving students and programs perpetuating the Okinawan culture. WUB and its members have founded several endowments for the East-West Center and UH Center for Okinawan Studies. WUB members have also acted as advisors and trustees to various educational institutions in Hawai'i and Okinawa.

Taste of Okinawa will also celebrate the upcoming publication of the <u>Born Again Uchinanchu</u> book. It retraces <u>Hawai</u>'i Okinawans' journey as they became "born again Uchinanchu," revisiting in detail the many milestones and movements that contributed to the Okinawan community's progress and resurgence.

WUB Hawai'i hopes you will share in this Uchinanchu Spirit with its unique food and drinks. In a spirit of togetherness and celebration, it is hoped this will be a celebration of both young and old, fostering fellowship and camaraderie. Please come, connect, and celebrate with Uchinanchu and Uchinanchu-at-heart.

Tickets available via Eventbrite at

https://2023tasteofokinawa.eventbrite.com