



NAUPAKA NEWS

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Keeping the Music Alive

STORYTELLING IN SONG AND CHANT has preserved many aspects of the culture and lore of the Hawaiian people, and the *ʻāina* (land) that is sacred to them.

One of Hawai'i's greatest storytellers was Clyde "Kindy" Halema'uma'u Sproat (1930-2008). Kindy was dedicated to keeping the music of his native Hawai'i alive — including many songs unique to his North Kohala home. Through his life he developed a repertoire of more than 400 songs that began emerging after the introduction of Western musical instruments and melodies to the islands, most often accompanied by the ukulele and guitar.

Kindy is best known for his rich *leo ki'eki'e* (falsetto singing), his deep, booming bass voice and the stories he told to give background to the songs that helped preserve the pace of life in Old Hawai'i.

In the early 1990s, a series of falsetto singing contests were named after Kindy and held in various places on the Island of Hawai'i, including The Clyde "Kindy" Sproat Falsetto and Storytelling Contest launched in 1992 at Waikoloa Beach Resort that continued for nearly 20 years. These events helped increase awareness of Hawai'i's falsetto tradition.



Kindy grew up in Honokane `Iki Valley, the remote third valley beyond Pololu on the north shore of the Island of Hawai'i. His father was part Hawaiian and worked on the Kohala Ditch Trail maintaining the waterways that fed the sugar plantations of the early and middle 20th century. From an early age, Kindy remembered how his

Hawaiian mother played the banjo and sang to the children every night after supper.

"We sat on mats that were woven from the leaves of the pandanus tree and watched the reflection of the sun rising up the east wall of the valley, then dancing on the trees at the very top of the ridge before slowly fading out of sight," he recalled in a 1998 interview. "I sang my heart out."

The family later moved to Niuli'i to be closer to schools, churches and parks, where Kindy liked to stop and listen to old timers sing, tell stories and play slack key guitar — masters of the tradition such as John Akina, John Kama and Kalei Kalalia.

"That sound and rhythm," he said in that same interview, "haunted me all my growing years, and even until this day I listen for the old sweet rhythm of the old slack key. Like the old-time slack key, the old-time folk songs of Hawai'i have faded into the past. I love the old songs, so I hang onto them and sing them just as I heard them sung."

Growing up, Kindy also learned to play the four-stringed ukulele and liked the straightforward



Clockwise from bottom left: Lynn J Martin Graton, Kindy and Cheri Sproat at his two album recordings; Cheri and Kindy Sproat in a promo photo. Kindy in his tackle room in 1984.

accompaniment of the slack key guitar for some of his Hawaiian songs, according to close family friend and former state folklorist Lynn J Martin Graton.

SHARING HIS KNOWLEDGE

After retiring from the military, Sproat often performed at *luau*, family gatherings, retirement homes, community events and in concerts. Some of his most recognizable songs are "A He Nani Moloka'i," "Owl's Lullaby," "Maid of Honolulu," "Pu`u Huluhulu 'Talk Story,'" "Ku`u Hoa Hololio," "Maika'i Kamakani o Kohala" and "Lae Lae (Paniolo Version)."

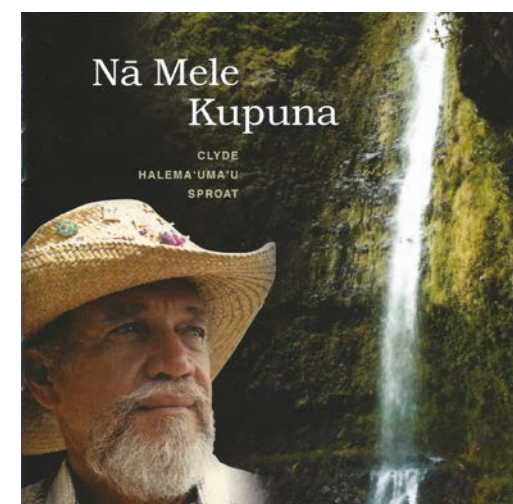
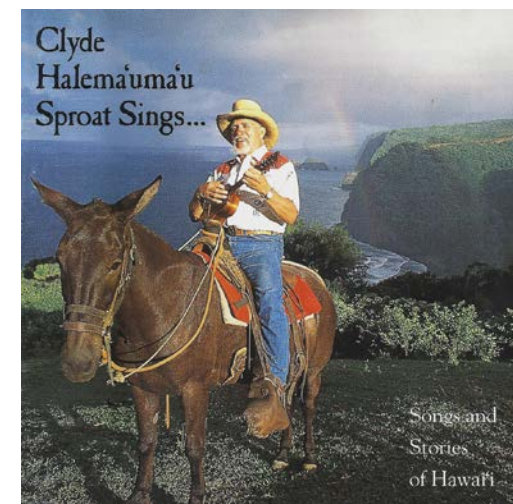
Local filmmaker Keith Nealy remembers Kindy well.

"I first met Uncle Kindy when I heard the call for volunteers to help clear the jungle and build *lo'i* (a terraced, wetland taro patch system) in the valley of Niuli'i. He was always singing while he worked, and on breaks he would tell stories to all gathered around," Nealy recalls. "When he performed in front of an audience, his storytelling would entrance them and take them back to another time ... and they would be held and wrapped in aloha. It was truly magical."

In 1998, Kindy was awarded a National Heritage Fellowship by the National Endowment for the Arts — the nation's highest honor for a traditional artist. As recognition for his extraordinary voice and generosity in sharing his Hawaiian culture, he performed at Carnegie Hall and numerous national festivals.

Kindy was supported throughout his musical journey by his devoted wife Cheryl "Cheri" Sproat. He passed in 2008 and Cheri in 2024.

Kindy gifted his community a rich legacy that will long be remembered. ●



Two albums of Kindy's stories and songs were produced in the mid 1990s. They can be found at: <https://folkways.si.edu/clyde-kindy-sproat/clyde-halema-uma-u-sproat-sings-songs-and-stories-of-hawai-i>



Queens' Marketplace

Open Daily | Store hours vary, please call or visit their websites for hours and more information

ART & JEWELRY

Genesis Galleries
(808) 886-1770

Maui Divers Jewelry
(808) 886-4817

Lava Light Galleries
(808) 756-0778

Mashka Jewelry
(808) 731-7310

ENTERTAINMENT

Kozy's Comedy & Magic Show
(808) 430-1957

Waikoloa Luxury Cinemas
(808) 464-3009

FASHION

Blue Ginger Family
(808) 886-0022

Cariloha
(808) 886-2608

Coconut Ave
(808) 731-4024

Crocs™ Shoe Store
(808) 886-0213

Kona Surf N' Sandals
(808) 886-0898

Mahina
(808) 886-4000

Malibu Shirts
(808) 886-0003

Olivia Clare Boutique
(808) 657-4307

OluKai
(808) 731-4088

Oshima Surf & Skate
(808) 339-7305

Reyn Spooner
(808) 886-1162

Rip Curl
(808) 886-1952

GROCERY

Island Gourmet Markets
(808) 886-3577

REAL ESTATE

Hawai'i Life Real Estate Brokers
(800) 667-5028

Kona Coast Vacations
(808) 329-2140

SERVICES

Hilton Grand Vacations Club
(808) 886-0945

ResorticaHawaii
(808) 881-8222

Skin Factory Tattoo
(808) 661-5511

Vacasa
(855) 861-5757

Waikoloa Dental Clinic
(808) 886-0891

Pacific Skin Institute
(916) 925-7020

SPECIALTY & GIFTS

Claire's
(808) 886-8905

KoaWood Ranch
(808) 238-0419

SoHa Keki
(808) 909-3888

SoHa Living
(808) 464-4268

Sunglass Hut
(808) 886-0274

SPORT & ACTIVITY

Bike Works Beach & Sports
(808) 886-5000

Snorkel Bob's
(808) 238-0992



Kings' Shops

Open Daily | Store hours vary, please call or visit their websites for hours and more information

ACCESSORIES

Sunglass Hut
(808) 886-0593

APPAREL

Crazy Shirts
(808) 886-9303

Happy Wahine
(808) 339-7037

Hawaiian Island Creations
(808) 315-8862

Jams World
(808) 796-3182

Kahala
(808) 886-0902

Kona Harley-Davidson
(808) 464-4033

lululemon
(808) 867-8466

Mary Jane's
(808) 886-2707

melin
(coming soon)

Noa Noa
(808) 886-5449

Tori Richard
(808) 886-8308

TravisMathew
(808) 865-2452

ART & JEWELRY

Kohala Coast Fine Art
(808) 886-4240

Nā Hōkū
(808) 886-7599

Manta Jewelry & Gifts
(808) 765-4444

Royal Gold
(808) 886-7701

SERVICES

Big Island Motorcycle Co.
(808) 886-2011

Hawaii Keiki Museum
(808) 315-8862

Hawaii Vacation Condos by Outrigger
(808) 886-0036

Hilton Grand Vacations
(808) 333-5511

Hulakai
(808) 731-7945

Kings' Shops Management Office
(808) 886-8811

Kohala Coast Properties
(808) 886-6600

Shell Gas Station
(808) 886-9512

Team Clean
(808) 944-8255, ext. 108

Virtual Golf Ohana
(coming soon)

SPECIALTY & GIFTS

Beach Goddess
(808) 481-1668

CocoNene
(808) 909-9019

Martin & MacArthur
(808) 886-0696

Mauna Modern
(coming soon)

Nana's Clay Flowers
(808) 657-9642

Paint Aloha
(808) 353-4433

Whalers General Store
(808) 886-7057



Waikoloa Beach Resort Golf Shop

Golf Pro Shop
Open Daily | 6:30 am - 6 pm
(808) 886-7888

Waikoloa Beach Marriott Resort & Spa

Travel Traders
(808) 886-8146
Daily | 8 am - 10 pm

Mandara Spa
(808) 886-8191
Daily | 10 am - 5:30 pm

Hilton Waikoloa Village

Dancing Dolphins and Big Island Marketplace
(808) 886-1234 ext. 1744, 1746

Dolphin Quest
(808) 987-3434

Dolphin Quest Gift Shop
(808) 987-3434

Journey
(808) 756-0926

Kohala Salon
(808) 886-2848

Kohala Spa
(808) 886-2828

Kohala Spa Gift Shop
(808) 886-2838

Nā Hōkū
(808) 886 5019

Things Hawaiian
(808) 895-7757

SPOTLIGHT SIP, SAVOR AND SHARE



Patina is open Monday through Saturday from 4 to 9 pm. (808) 769-8700 | Reservations can be made at patinahawaii.com

Patina, an inviting new American gastropub at Queens' Marketplace, opened earlier this year with an impressive menu rooted in regional ingredients inspired by global flavors.

Popular for *pau hana* (after work) drinks, shared plates or a special occasion, the restaurant offers an approachable yet refined dining experience.

"We provide food that is thoughtfully prepared and technically driven but never takes itself too seriously," explains owner and Chef Keith Pajinag. "There should always be an element of fun, creativity and comfort while maintaining a high level of quality."

The menu is divided into three categories: "share" for appetizers, "savor" for entrees and "sip" for wines and spirits. Think Mushroom Tartine or Tallow Fries to start, followed by New Zealand King Salmon with Romesco Sauce, Flat Iron Steak with Marrow Bordelaise or Jidori Chicken with Tarragon Mushroom Cream Sauce.

"We maintain several staple dishes that have become guest favorites, while introducing new items regularly. The menu evolves throughout the week based on seasonal availability, what our purveyors are bringing in and whatever happens to inspire me creatively at that moment," says Chef Pajinag, who is influenced by his roots in Alaska and culinary inspiration he's gathered throughout his career in the Pacific Northwest and Hawai'i.

The restaurant's interior sets the mood. "I wanted the space to feel layered, warm and personal," says Chef Pajinag. "Our bar is made from a beautiful mango slab sourced in Holualoa, and the shells embedded within the chef's counter were gathered from Kawaihae. The overall atmosphere was inspired by memorable date nights my wife and I have shared over the years: comfortable, intimate and effortlessly inviting."



MARRIOTT RESORT
WAIKOLOA BEACH waikoloabeachmarriott.com

SUNSET LŪ`AU

Mondays and Wednesdays | Starting at 5 pm

EXECUTIVE CHEF JAYSON KANEKOA PRESENTS AN AUTHENTIC MENU for the popular Sunset Lū`au with fresh ingredients sourced from Hawai`i Island purveyors. Experience slow roasted kalua pig and savor lū`au favorites including Waipi`o Valley poi, `ahi tuna poke, hō`i`o fern shoot salad, *pulehu* steaks and grilled chicken with Hamakua Ali`i mushrooms.

Following dinner take a journey through the South Pacific with song and dance from Tahiti, New Zealand, Hawai`i and Sāmoa. The spellbinding Samoan fire knife dance is a spectacular sight to see!

For reservations visit TheSunsetLuau.com

Cancellations must be received 24 hours before your scheduled Luau. There will be no refund if cancellation is not received 24 hours out.



DINING GUIDE

Restaurants open daily unless noted.



CLOCKWISE FROM ABOVE: Roy's Waikoloa Bar & Grill; Kamuela Provision Company; Gypsea Gelato

GOLF COURSE

Tropics Ale House and Restaurant
 (808) 886-4287
TropicsAleHouse.com

Lunch and dinner
 11 am – 10:30 pm

Mauka Bar and Grill
 (808) 886-7600
MaukaBarandGrill.com

Breakfast and lunch
 7:30 am – 5 pm

Mauka Steakhouse
 (808) 886-7600
MaukaBarandGrill.com

Dinner
 5 – 9 pm

LAVA LAVA BEACH CLUB
 (808) 769-LAVA (5282)
LavaLavaBeachClub.com

11:30 am – 9 pm

Brunch
 (Saturdays and Sundays only)
 11 am – 3 pm

Lunch
 11:30 am – 3 pm

Dinner
 3 – 9 pm

HILTON WAIKOLOA VILLAGE

(808) 886-1234
HiltonWaikoloaVillage.com/dining

Breakfast Buffet

A lavish breakfast buffet at Water's Edge overlooking the saltwater lagoon. Kids under 12 eat free with a paid adult staying overnight.

7 – 10 am

KPC – Kamuela Provision Company

KPC offers the Island of Hawai`i's most spectacular sunset views. Locally sourced cuisine, from prime steaks to Hawaiian seafood. Reservations recommended. The Bar at KPC features a bar food menu to pair with drinks while you enjoy the firepits and resort views, no reservation needed.

Tuesday – Saturday
 5 – 9 pm

Nui Italian

Authentic, family-friendly Italian dining including stone-fired pizzas, pastas, salads, and more.

Dinner
 5 – 9 pm

Bar & Lounge
 5 – 9 pm

Validated parking during your meal with proof of \$50 dining or drink purchase.

Lagoon Grill & Bar

Grab a burger, sandwich, salad, or Hawaiian bowl for lunch or early dinner and watch dolphins playing in the lagoon below.

Grill 11 am – 5 pm
 Bar 11 am – 6 pm

Lagoon Chill

Dole Whip, sweet treats, souvenirs. Located next to Lagoon Grill.

9:30 am – 4:30 pm

Waikoloa Coffee

6 am – 3 pm MAKAI
 6 am – noon Ocean Tower



Kona Tap Room

Pub-style bar menu with *pupus* and shareable plates, plus Kona Brewing Company beers on tap. Located at the Main Lobby.

4:30 pm – 11 pm

Live Music
 Thursday – Monday
 7 – 10 pm

Orchid Marketplace

Grab and go salads and sandwiches. Made-to-order pizzas. Located at Kona Pool.

10 am – 4 pm

Shaka Cones

Ice cream, sorbets and milkshakes. Located at Kona Pool.

Noon – 4 pm

WAIKOLOA BEACH MARRIOTT RESORT & SPA

(808) 886-8165
Marriott.com

Hawaii Calls Restaurant & Lounge

Breakfast
 6:30 – 11 am

Lunch
 11 am – 5 pm

Happy Hour
 2 – 4 pm

Dinner
 5 – 9 pm

SECOND SATURDAYS PRIME RIB & CRAB BUFFET
 Includes live entertainment by premier local musicians
 5 – 9 pm

FRIDAYS, SATURDAYS, SUNDAYS LIVE ENTERTAINMENT
 Featuring some of Hawai`i's local musical artists
 Starting at 5:30 pm

Nalu's Pool Bar
 10:30 am – 5:30 pm

Aka`ula Lanai Café
 Lobby Level
 6:30 – 11 am

KINGS' SHOPS

A-Bay's Island Grill
 (808) 209-8494
A-Bays.com

Breakfast, lunch and dinner
 8 am – midnight

Foster's Kitchen
 (808) 657-4500
FostersKitchen.com

Lunch and dinner
 11 am – 10 pm

Gypsea Gelato
 (808) 886-1540
GypseaGelato.com
 11 am – 8 pm

Island Fish & Chips
 (808) 886-0005
KingsShops.com/island-fish-chips
 10 am – 8 pm

Ono Loa Grill
 (coming soon)

Roy's Waikoloa Bar & Grill
 (808) 886-4321
RoysHawaii.com

Dinner
 4:30 – 8:30 pm

Island Vintage Coffee
 (808) 731-5700
 Open daily at 6 am

The Original Big Island Shave Ice Company
 (808) 895-6069

Tuesday – Sunday
 11:30 am – 6:30 pm, full menu
 6:30 – 7:30 pm, ice cream menu

See our website for more information.



(808) 886-1234 | HiltonWaikoloaVillage.com

LEGENDS OF HAWAI`I LŪ`AU — OUR BIG ISLAND STORY

Sundays, Tuesdays, Fridays | 5 pm | Kamehameha Court

TREAT YOURSELF TO THE ONCE-IN-A-LIFETIME CULTURAL IMMERSION of our *lū`au* at Hilton Waikoloa Village. Brought to you by Tihati Productions, the Legends of Hawai`i Lū`au dinner and show brings to life the ancestral songs and dances that retell the epic stories of Hawai`i Island and her remarkable people, culminating in the spectacular and thrilling fire knife dance. You will have the opportunity to capture photo memories with our *lū`au* performers. The meal includes island favorites such as huluhuli chicken, seared island catch-of-the-day, traditional *imu* roasted kālua pork and fresh Hawaiian style desserts including coconut haupia and guava cheesecake. Tropical drink favorites include mai tais, blue Hawaiis and lava flows.

Make reservations in advance at LegendsLuau.com. Book early to get your spot.



DINING GUIDE

Please check with individual restaurants on hours of operation.



Kuleana Rum Shack



Waikoloa Shrimp Company

QUEENS' MARKETPLACE

Full-service restaurants.

Bistro at the Cinemas
(808) 464-3009
HawaiiCinemas.com/the-bistro

Kuleana Rum Shack
(808) 238-0786
KuleanaRum.com

Gecko Girlz
GeckoGirlz.com

Kona Biscuit Co.
(808) 315-7146
@konabiscuitcompany

Patina
(808) 769-8700
@patina.hawaii

Starbucks Coffee Company
(808) 886-1888
Starbucks.com

Tommy Bahama Marlin Bar & Store
(808) 865-6750



QUEENS' MARKETPLACE FOOD COURT

Grab & go and food court eateries.

Da Ramen Kind
(808) 238-0099

L&L Hawaiian Barbecue
HawaiianBarbecue.com

Pono Pastries
PonoPastries.com

Sushi Hi
SushihiRollsandBowls.com

Waikoloa Pizza
WaikoloaPizza.com

Waikoloa Shrimp Company
WaikoloaShrimpCo.com

