

Aloha Athletes and Families,

Only 9 weeks till we are all on the sunny shores of Hawaii!!! YAY...we can't wait for this tropical adventure to start!! In this letter you will find helpful information to ensure your experience with us is amaaazing!!

PROPOSED SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY 17th MAY 2023

9.00am - 12:00pm Registration Desk & Pop-up Shop - Shell Bar - located by the Main Lobby.

THURSDAY 18th MAY 2023

12:00pm - 4:00pm Registration Desk & Pop-up Shop - Shell Bar – located by the Main Lobby.

FRIDAY 19th MAY 2023

- 8.00am 10.00am Registration Desk & Pop-up Shop Shell Bar located by the Main Lobby.
- 10.00am 10.15am Teams report for Parade of Nations Waikiki Beach Lagoon
- 10.30am 12.30pm Parade of Nations, Opening Ceremony, *Cultural Exchange Hilton Great Lawn
 - 1.00pm 5:00pm Cheer Team practices Hawaiian Convention Centre (paid bookings only)
 - 2.00pm 4.00pm Registration Desk & Pop-up Shop Shell Bar located by the Main Lobby
- * For the Cultural Exchange we advise athletes to bring any country or gym souvenirs they might want to swap or gift.
- * **IMPORTANT:** Please note there is a change of timing for the opening ceremony from previous years due to hotel availability.

SATURDAY 20th MAY 2023

7:00am - 9:00pm (approx) Cheer & Dance Competition Day 1 - Hawaiian Convention Centre Exhibit Hall 3

SUNDAY 21st MAY 2023

7:00am - 6pm (approx) Cheer Competition Day 2 – Hawaiian Convention Centre **Exhibit Hall 3**7:00pm - 9:30pm - Closing Ceremony & Grand Champion Awards + special performances by selected dance teams. – Hawaiian Convention Centre **Exhibit Hall 3**

*Please Note: This schedule is subject to change.

- 3. Team Registration & Commuter Packages: The registration desk will open on Wednesday 9am 12pm, Thursday 12 4pm, Friday 8 10am & 2 4pm at the Shell Bar located by the Main Lobby (as in green on the map above). This is where you can pick up your wristbands, spectator passes, commuter packages and schedules for the weekend. Please send only one representative to pick up your pack. Please note: We require all athlete rosters and waiver forms to be completed and full payment, if anything is outstanding this may delay your registration. Event staff will not release any of the registration package materials until everything is complete.
- 4. **Competition Runsheet:** First draft will be sent out mid-April and we hope to have a final version available by the 1st of May.
- 5. **Action Moments Photography:** Action Moments the Worlds photographers will be in attendance snapping away taking gorgeous photos of all dancers and athletes. The low-res photos will be available online on the day of the event assuming the internet connection can handle the uploads. A link will be sent to coaches.

6. Live Streaming:

This will mean you can watch the performances all in real time!

We are excited to be partnering with Vidzing to live stream Global Games! This will be available to purchase at an additional cost for the live stream. On the Vidzing platform we get awesome new features – rewind, fast forward & pause. Plus, you can watch the livestream link for 48hrs so if you missed it or are late you can watch it from the beginning!!

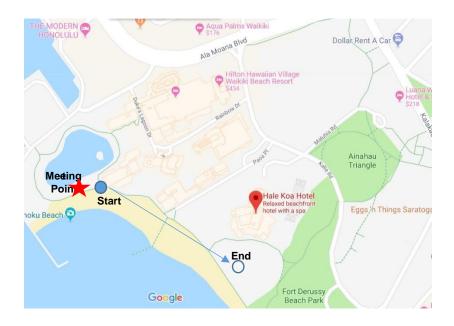
*Link will be available soon.

7. Parade of Nations, Cultural Exchange & Opening Ceremony:

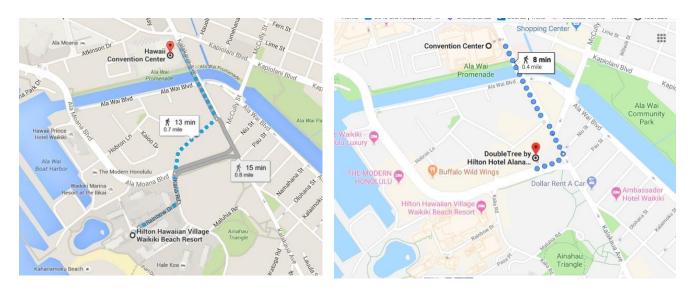
This will take place at the Hilton Great Lawn on **Friday the 19th May from 10.30am - 12.30pm** (If it rains, we will be moved to the Tapa Ballroom) We ask all teams to report at 10am and arrive together at the meeting point on the lagoon (see map below). Athletes are asked to come wearing their team tracksuit, uniform, costume, or national dress. Please bring pins, t-shirts, souvenirs or anything else you would like to trade as you will be given time to meet other athletes from all over the Globe.

Please note: The opening ceremony is only provided for those on the full or commuter package and you must have your pass to enter the Hilton Great Lawn.

- * Registrations must be done prior as you will need to show your wristband upon entry.
- * Please note change of timing from previous years due to hotel availability.



8. **Hawaii Convention Center:** The Convention Center is located at: 1801 Kalakaua Ave, Honolulu and is in walking distance from the Hilton (approx. 15mins) or 8 mins from the Double Tree.



- 9. Spectator Tickets: Spectator tickets to the competition are included in both the full and commuter packages. Friends and Family who did not purchase a Global Games Package can buy a one-day admission for \$35 + booking fee (USD) you can purchase these online on link below. There will be NO Door Sales. https://events.humanitix.com/global-games (available from mid-April)
- 10. **Closing Ceremony:** The Closing Ceremonies will take place from 7:00pm on Sunday 21st May at the Hawaiian Convention Center. This will include our Grand Champions being announced and special performances by our Champion Dance Teams. There will also be country awards a live DJ, pizza, snacks and a whole lot of fun!! There will be opportunities for all countries to again exchange pins, t-shirts, take pictures and much more!
 - *Only those on the full package will be allowed entry to the closing ceremony.
- 11. Global Dance & Cheer Games Pop-Up Shop: Diamond Fit is the exclusive apparel supplier for the Global Dance and Cheer Games. They will have the latest branded apparel, but make sure you are quick, stock is limited! The Pop-Up Shop location and hours are:
 - Wednesday 9am 12pm, Thursday 12pm 4pm, Friday 8am 10am & 2pm 4pm at the Shell Bar located by the Main Lobby. Saturday & Sunday Hawaii Convention Center during event times.
- 12. **Awards:** We have Banners and Medals for 1st,2nd and 3rd. 1st place Division Winners will win Championship Bags. If you can please advise your athletes if they win in multiple Divisions, please only take one bag. For Grand Champions you will receive a Trophy and a Mini Banner. You will also receive a ring these will be awarded and given out at the Closing Ceremony. Please note it will be first served when it comes to ring sizing.
- 13. Celebration Luau: Monday 22nd May 2023 6pm 8.30pm (Arrive at 5.30)

Admission to the celebration Luau is NOT included in the full or commuter packages, tickets must be purchased separately. For those who have purchased Luau tickets and paid for transport, the buses will depart between 4:20pm and 4:40pm, for ease of bus loading we will create Luau Bus Lists allocating buses for all groups. If you are making your own way to the Luau, please allow 1hr for travel time as traffic can be unpredictable. There will be a bar open for adults aged 21yrs or older to purchase alcohol, we just ask that you drink responsibly as there will be children in attendance and this is a family event. Please ensure you bring valid ID as they will be checking for anyone that looks under 21, the US laws are very strict on this. If it rains and the venue decides to cancel, you will receive a refund, however, they have advised they are on the sunniest part of the island \mathfrak{Q}

Venue Address: Luau Venue- Germaine's Luau, 91-119 Olai St, Kapolei (Germaine's)

4:20 - 4:40pm Buses depart for Celebration Luau*

5:30 - 8:30pm Celebration Luau - 91-119 Olai Street, Kapolei (Germaine's)

8.30 - 10:00pm Buses depart for the Hilton Hotel

*Buses will leave from the Hilton Hawaiian Village - Exact location TBC

Attendees will be taken to the Luau in groups of 50.

TRAVEL:

The requirements for Australian passport holders are the same as NZ passport holders for the USA. All travellers 18 years and older must be fully vaccinated.

An ESTA visa is required for Australian passport holders - https://esta.cbp.dhs.gov/esta Must have a return ticket (outward ticket from the USA)

* China, Japan, Korea and Canada – please check with your local Authority what your travel requirements are.

We are so very excited to be back again for the 4th Annual Global Dance and Cheer Games and we want to thank you all for your support of this amazing event. We hope that you will leave the Global Games with amazing memories, new friends from around the Globe and that this is an experience you will cherish for ever.

Good luck and travel safely we will see you all soon.

Mahalo,

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