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# Ka Makana Ali'i Welcomes Sakura Japanese Restaurant to The Grove

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**KAPOLEI, HI** (January 10, 2020) — Ka Makana Ali'i is excited to welcome Sakura Japanese Restaurant to the Center for West Oahu. Sakura features 10 teppanyaki tables, indoor and outdoor seating, a sushi bar and a full bar. It opened at The Grove at Ka Makana Ali'i near 24 Hour Fitness on Dec. 28.

The 5,100-square-foot restaurant will serve fresh island fish, signature sushi rolls, and bento teishoku. It will also include an 850-square-foot patio. A grand opening celebration is set for Friday, January 17 through Monday, January 20 with a free gift of a shirt or calendar for dine-in customers. The restaurant is also planning a special celebration for Chinese New Year on Saturday, January 25.

"It feels great to be a part of The Grove at Ka Makana Ali'i and to share our dining experience with the ever-growing Kapolei community," said owner Allan Zheng.

The menu includes hibachi entrees with choices of steak, chicken, salmon, calamari, scallop, filet mignon or lobster. The sushi bar offers signature rolls, shooters, nigiri sushi, sashimi, hand rolls and combination options like the Sakura Boat (two miso soups, 10 pieces of chef's choice sushi, 12 pieces of sashimi and one sakura roll). In addition, the menu highlights soup, salad, appetizers, lunch specials and dessert offerings like tempura fried ice cream.

"It's exciting to see the positive response Sakura has received in Kapolei," said Kelly Kauinana, senior retail marketing manager at Ka Makana Ali'i. "The unique dining experience allows patrons from our community to have fun and engage with the chef in a way unlike any other offering at the Center."

Sakura is now open for lunch and dinner. Hours are Monday through Thursday from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. & 4:30 to 9:30 p.m., Friday and Saturday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. & 4:30 to 10 p.m., and Sunday from 12 to 3 p.m. & 4 to 9:30 p.m. This is Sakura's fourth location in Hawaii; it is also located in Mililani, Kona and Hilo.

Visit our website at <a href="www.kamakanaalii.com">www.kamakanaalii.com</a> for more details about upcoming promotions and exciting Center events. For the latest news and updates, follow Ka Makana Ali'i on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram, all with profile name @kamakanaalii.

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### About Ka Makana Ali'i

Ka Makana Ali'i offers residents and visitors a family-friendly, mixed-use center in the heart of Hawai'i's fastest growing community. The 750,000-square-foot Macy's-anchored center features more than 100 exciting stores, restaurants, a state-of-the-art Consolidated Theatres and the state's first Hampton Inn & Suites by Hilton located on property. The newest development, The Grove at Ka Makana Ali'i, creates an additional 109,000 square feet of space with lifestyle retailers, eateries and services, such as 24 Hour Fitness, Foodland Farms, Straub Clinic and Urgent Care, and PetSmart. Serving as the premier gathering place in Kapolei, Ka Makana Ali'i fulfills the shopping and dining needs of the ever-expanding community. Its convenient location offers excellent highway access, ample parking and public transportation for shoppers. A partnership between DeBartolo Development and the State Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, Ka Makana Ali'i will financially support programs benefiting Native Hawaiian interests statewide for decades to come. For more information, please visit www.kamakanaalii.com.

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