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Hawai'i Convention Center to Host First-Ever Holiday Festival and Ice Skating Rink

Honolulu, September 26, 2019 – The Hawai'i Convention Center will offer guests more reasons to celebrate the holiday season with a new festival and ice skating rink. The Center's 56,000 sq. ft. exhibit hall space will be transformed into a month-long "Winter Wishes – A Holiday Festival" from Nov. 29-Dec. 24, 2019, and will offer a full lineup of activities for the entire family, including:

- Opening celebration with tree-lighting ceremony and special guest Kristi Yamaguchi
- An expansive 82' x 50' indoor ice-skating rink featuring themed events for up to 164 skaters
- Winter Wishes Marketplace with 50 vendors
- Photos with Santa (take your own/professional portraits)
- Winter Wishes Christmas Tree Forest with a decorating contest
- Gingerbread House Competition
- Musical Entertainment
- Holiday craft workshops
- Keiki activities and attractions
- Festive holiday cuisine and beverages
- Special ticketed events



"This signature holiday event offers visitors and kama'aina from throughout Hawai'i a fresh array of holiday experiences during this special season," said Teri Orton, general manager, Hawai'i Convention Center, managed by AEG Facilities. "We are particularly excited to partner with world-renowned figure skater Kristi Yamaguchi to benefit her Always Dream Foundation, which supports early childhood literacy and learning tools for low-income children and their families."

A portion of the proceeds from "Winter Wishes – A Holiday Festival" will benefit the foundation's work in Hawaii. The presenting sponsor of the event is Matson, Inc.

"Winter Wishes – A Holiday Festival" will be open from 4-9 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays, 4-10 p.m. Fridays, 11 a.m.-10 p.m. Saturdays and 11 a.m.-8 p.m. Sundays from Nov. 29-Dec. 24, 2019 (hours subject to change). Parking is available for \$10 per vehicle at the Hawai'i Convention Center. Tickets may be purchased online at honolulu.boxoffice.com or at the door. Passes for the entire season will also be available for purchase. Children ages 2 and under are free, and special discount days will be offered.

For more information about the event or for sponsorship and vendor opportunities, visit HawaiiConvention.com or contact Michelle Phelps, communications and special events manager, at mphelps@hccaeg.com.

About the Hawai'i Convention Center

"Where Business and Aloha Meet," the 1.1 million-square-foot Hawai'i Convention Center provides a spacious, modern and flexible meeting space in the heart of Honolulu – all with an award-winning team and renowned aloha spirit. Conveniently located between East and West, the Center is a

global leader for a diverse array of meetings and events, just steps from 30,000 hotel rooms in iconic Waikiki. The Center is a state-owned facility opened in 1998, and is managed by AEG Facilities. For more, visit HawaiiConvention.com.

About AEG Facilities

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