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Students Bring Innovative Ideas in Education to TEDxHonoluluED, April 12
Education-focused event showcases “ideas worth spreading.”

HONOLULU, Hawai‘i (April 1, 2014) – Students from 'Iolani School and Punahou School are collaborating to bring Innovation in Education to the forefront of discussion at the upcoming TEDxHonoluluED to be held at the Sullivan Center for Innovation and Leadership on the 'Iolani School campus. The event takes place on Saturday, April 12 from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on the third floor of the center.

"Innovation is the means through which education continues to evolve, and education is how we shape the future," said 'Iolani senior Ayami Hatanaka. "Through TEDxHonoluluED, we aim to highlight new ideas and viewpoints that are attempting to make positive differences for both Hawai'i and the world."

The Innovation in Education theme will feature performers, teachers and professors from throughout the state delivering multi-media presentations on a diverse range of topics touching upon innovative ways students learn, including:

- Martial Arts for Juvenile Offenders by Lawakua Kajukenbo Founder Matt Levi
- Philosophy, Children, and the Ageless Power of Wonder by Dr. Thomas Jackson
- Fight to Survive: Life, Earth and Beyond by Ruth Silberstein
- Existential Education, Cosmic Intelligence, and the Colossus Project by Dr. Jeff Khun
- Outside the Box by Dr. Angel Yanagihara
- Slam Poetry by Brave New Voices Champion Jamaica Osorio

The complete list of presenters and topics are available at TEDxHonoluluED on Facebook and @TEDxHonoluluED on Twitter.

Facts at a Glance

What: TEDxHonolulu ED, featuring presentations on innovative ideas in education

Who: Presentations by professors, teachers, and a slam poet.

When: Saturday, April 12, 2014, 1:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Where: The Sullivan Center for Innovation and Leadership, 'Iolani School

Cost: \$15 per person. Register by Friday, April 11th, 2014, at

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/tedxhonolulued-2014-tickets-10859265355>

Other: Free parking available in the 'Iolani School structure. Enter on Kamoku Street.

About TEDx, x = independently organized event: In the spirit of ideas worth spreading, TEDx is a program of local, self-organized events that bring people together to share a TED-like experience. At a TEDx event, TEDTalks video and live speakers combine to spark deep discussion and connection in a small group. These local, self-organized events are branded TEDx, where x = independently organized TED event. The TED Conference provides general guidance for the TEDx program, but individual TEDx events are self-organized. (Subject to certain rules and regulations.)

About TED

TED is a nonprofit organization devoted to Ideas Worth Spreading. Started as a four-day conference in California almost 30 years ago, TED has grown to support its mission with multiple initiatives. The two annual TED Conferences invite the world's leading thinkers and doers to speak for 18 minutes on a diverse mix of topics. Many of these talks are then made available, free, at TED.com. TED speakers have included Bill Gates, Jane Goodall, Elizabeth Gilbert, Sir Richard Branson, Nandan Nilekani, Philippe Starck, Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala, Isabel Allende and former UK Prime Minister Gordon Brown. The TED2014 Conference takes place in Vancouver, British Columbia, along with the TEDActive simulcast in neighboring Whistler. TEDGlobal 2014 will be held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

TED's media initiatives include TED.com, where new TED Talks are posted daily; the Open Translation Project, which provides subtitles and interactive transcripts as well as translations from volunteers worldwide; the educational initiative TED-Ed; and TEDBooks, short e-books on powerful ideas. TED has established the annual TED Prize, where exceptional individuals with a wish to change the world get help translating their wishes into action; TEDx, which supports individuals or groups in hosting local, self-organized TED-style events around the world; and the TED Fellows program, helping world-changing innovators from around the globe to amplify the impact of their remarkable projects and activities.

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