In conjunction with the 2024 FestPAC in Hawai‘i, the Center for Pacific Island Studies, Hawai‘inuiākea School of Hawaiian Knowledge, Hawai‘i Peace and Justice, East-West Center Arts Program, KAHEA, and the Pacific Theological College are issuing a call for participation in this indigenous Pasifika philosophy/activist summit to be held between June 10 - 12, 2024 in Waikiki, HI at the Hawai‘i Convention Center.

Protecting Oceania is a weaving of indigenous Pasifika philosophies with activism. It will not have typical keynote addresses and breakout panels for the purpose of sharing previously written work. Instead we are asking Pasifika thinkers and those already engaged in struggle with the climate crisis, military occupation, extractivism and political inaction to act as provocateurs, to speak to specific issues or crises in which they are engaged. Issues for discussion will be developed based on the provocateurs’ talks and assigned to breakout rooms. In these breakouts, we will be invited to share our experiences, methods and tactics as we advance discourses of indigenous philosophies, where we will find new colleagues, comrades and form new alliances. Protecting Oceania activates Pasifika philosophies.

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