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Wounded Veterans to Take Part in Canoe Race

Na Koa Wounded Warrior Regatta Kicks-Off Duke's OceanFest

WAIKIKI, Hawaii (August 21, 2015) – Injured veterans will help launch Duke's OceanFest this weekend during the Na Koa Wounded Warrior Regatta. The event features 75 teams of canoers taking part in a series of races at Waikiki Beach at Fort DeRussy. Three of the four divisions of the regatta feature veterans.

Wounded Warrior Project® (WWP) is taking part in the regatta to encourage engagement and physical health and wellness. Engagement is a key pillar of the WWP mission to honor and empower Wounded Warriors. Injured veterans can build a network of support through shared experiences. Physical Health & Wellness is one of 20 free programs offered to wounded veterans to help reduce stress and combat depression. It also promotes an overall healthy and active lifestyle by encouraging participation in fun, educational activities.

The Na Koa Wounded Warrior Regatta has been kicking off Duke's OceanFest since 2011. Teams consist of 4 or 5 canoers and a steersman provided by the community.

Duke's OceanFest is an annual summer event designed to honor Duke Paoa Kahanamoku, considered to be the greatest waterman ever to live. Kahanamoku is a five-time Olympic medalist in swimming.

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About Wounded Warrior Project

The mission of Wounded Warrior Project® (WWP) is to honor and empower Wounded Warriors. WWP's purpose is to raise awareness and to enlist the public's aid for the needs of injured service members, to help injured servicemen and women aid and assist each other, and to provide unique, direct programs and services to meet their needs. WWP is a national, nonpartisan organization headquartered in Jacksonville, Florida. To get involved and learn more, visit woundedwarriorproject.org.

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