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HOP ON DOWN TO THE WAIKIKI AQUARIUM FOR THE 15TH ANNUAL SEAHUNT

*Keiki and Family Invited to Enjoy Holiday Fun with the Easter Bunny
Along with Games, Crafts and More!*

HONOLULU (February 25, 2010) – Grab your chicks and hop on down to the Waikiki Aquarium for an egg-stravagant time at the 15th annual SeaHunt. Children ages 2 to 7 will enjoy hunts for seasonal treasures, a fishpond game, craft activities and visits with the Easter Bunny, among other holiday fun. The event will take place on Saturday, March 27, from 8:30 a.m. to noon.

Celebrating the Easter season, the Aquarium lawn and surrounding yard will be transformed into a play patch and hunting ground. Keiki will get to hunt for sea animal pieces to complete a marine life puzzle while learning more about underwater creatures. The Easter Bunny will make special appearances at the event and will be available for photographs. Kids will also be able to create their own masterpieces at the Aquarium's Education craft booth and "go fish" for goodies and prizes at the game booth. Families will also enjoy access to all Aquarium exhibits and galleries, coming face-to-fin with a myriad of colorful reef fishes, jellies, sea dragons and Pacific corals.

SeaHunt admission is free for children of Friends of the Waikiki Aquarium (FOWA) Family, Family Plus and Grandparent memberships. The fee for Individual and Senior members as well as non-member hunters is \$10. Fishpond vouchers are \$2 per ticket. SeaHunt t-shirts will be available for purchase at the event. Free parking will be available at the Waikiki Elementary School, with shuttle service offered from 8 a.m. to 12 noon.

All proceeds from SeaHunt will support the Aquarium's current and planned exhibits, as well as its educational programs. Advance reservations are recommended; however, registration will be available at the door. For more information, visit www.aquarium.org.

ABOUT THE WAIKIKI AQUARIUM

Founded in 1904 and administered by the University of Hawaii at Manoa since 1919, the Waikiki Aquarium is located on the shoreline of Waikiki Beach next to a living reef and across from Kapiolani Park. The Aquarium – third oldest in the U.S. – showcases more than 500 marine species, and maintains more than 3,500 marine specimens. Public exhibits, education programs and research focus on the unique aquatic life of Hawaii and the tropical Pacific. The Aquarium welcomes more than 320,000 visitors annually, and is open daily from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. except Honolulu Marathon Sunday and Christmas Day. Admission is \$9 for visitors; \$6 for local residents, active duty military with ID, students with ID and seniors; \$4 for youths ages 13-17 and persons with disabilities; \$2 for juniors ages 5 to 12; and free for children 4 and under and Friends of Waikiki Aquarium (FOWA) members. For more information about the Waikiki Aquarium, including membership, please call (808) 923-9741 or visit www.waquarium.org.

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