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**THE ROYAL HAWAIIAN, A LUXURY COLLECTION RESORT TO  
FEATURE FAMED ENTERTAINER MELISSA MANCHESTER**

HAWAII, HONOLULU, WAIKIKI – Grammy Award-winning singer/songwriter Melissa Manchester is set to perform for one night on Friday, June 23 in the historic Monarch Room of The Royal Hawaiian, a Luxury Collection Resort.

Manchester is an honorary artist-in-residence at Citrus College in Los Angeles, where she just recorded her 21<sup>st</sup> studio album “The Fellas,” a tribute to singing icons like Frank Sinatra, Nat Cole, Johnny Mathis and Tony Bennett. She’ll be performing alongside the college’s big band, the *Blue Note Orchestra*, which is comprised of student musicians. Manchester is known for her chart-topping hits, “Don’t Cry Out Loud,” and “Through the Eyes of Love.” The native New Yorker got her start at the age of 17, and soon after, she found herself backing up Bette Midler as a founding member of the Harlettes and studying songwriting with Paul Simon at New York University.

The Blue Note Orchestra has been performing in the islands for the past 23 years at the Sheraton Waikiki and The Royal Hawaiian, a Luxury Collection Resort. The orchestra is directed by Robert Slack, a renowned trumpet player and musician, who has played with the likes of Paul Anka, Trisha Yearwood, and late musicians such as Buddy Rich, Whitney Houston and Ella Fitzgerald. The orchestra is made up of performing arts students who have dedicated their time to creating a memorable evening of classic American songs.

Manchester's concert is the first in the series of events at the resort known as *Only at the Royal Events*. The concert begins at 8 p.m. with no-host cocktails beginning at 7 p.m. on the Monarch Terrace. Event parking will be available for \$10 for self-parking and \$15 for valet parking. A portion of the proceeds from the evening will be donated to Susan G. Komen Hawaii, which works to save lives by meeting the most critical needs in Hawaii's community, and by investing in breakthrough research to prevent and cure breast cancer. Friday, June 23 is also National Pink Day, a perfect time to dress in pink and attend the concert.

Tickets for the concert can be purchased at [Honolulu Box Office](#), and prices are as follows:

**\$95 – VIP Meet & Greet**

Table seating directly in front of stage and includes access to invite-only after-concert meet and greet session with Melissa Manchester.

**\$75 – Premium Seating**

Front two rows of theater section.

**\$55 – General Admission**

Theater section.

## **Dinner & Show Packages**

In addition, guests can select a complete package with a three-course, prix fixe dinner at the award-winning Azure Restaurant at 5:30 p.m. The Dinner & Show Package with VIP is \$200 per ticket, while Premium seating with dinner costs \$180 per person. The Azure dinner menu includes the choice of a starter: Big Island salad featuring Hirabara Farms' baby lettuce, fern shoots, Hamakua mushrooms, heirloom radish, and tomatoes with honey and balsamic vinaigrette, *OR* Pier 38 smoked fish chowder with Hamakua corn, lup cheong, and "oyster cracker." The main dish is a Hawaii Rancher's ribeye steak and lobster with creamed kale, Hamakua mushrooms, creamy Yukon potatoes, crispy shallots in a red wine sauce. The dessert is a chocolate cake, and the dinner comes with one glass of house wine.

The Royal Hawaiian, a Luxury Collection Resort, the Waikiki landmark epitomizing regal sophistication and enduring charm for more than eight decades, celebrated its milestone 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary on February 1. Affectionately known as the Pink Palace of the Pacific, The Royal Hawaiian has been a haven of luxury and gracious Hawaiian hospitality for generations of jetsetters since it opened on a pristine expanse of Waikiki Beach on February 1, 1927.

### **About The Royal Hawaiian, a Luxury Collection Resort**

Opened in 1927 and affectionately called the "Pink Palace of the Pacific," The Royal Hawaiian, a Luxury Collection Resort is a haven of timeless luxury. Modern yet indigenous, the resort offers unprecedented amenities, unrivaled accommodations and exclusive services – all designed to provide the ultimate global trendsetter with a unique luxury experience. From first-class accommodations in the landmark Historic Wing and the magnificent Mailani Tower to world-class dining, the 528-room resort embodies the allure of Hawaii's spirit and the essence of an indulgent escape. Exceptional Epicurean Journeys can be found at award-winning Azure Restaurant, the original Mai Tai Bar, and A Royal Hawaiian Luau – Aha Aina, Waikiki's only oceanfront luau. The intimate Malulani Pool and private beach area are both complemented with pink-hued umbrellas to match the resort's signature color. On February 1, 2017, The Royal Hawaiian celebrates nine glorious decades of exceptional service along Waikiki Beach.

### **About The Luxury Collection Hotels & Resorts**

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As one of Hawaii's largest employers, with more than 4,500 hotel associates in its workforce, Kyo-ya has a long history in Hawaii dating back to 1961. The company is the steward of six hotel and resort properties in Hawaii and California, including historical treasures: Moana Surfrider, A Westin Resort & Spa; The Royal Hawaiian, A Luxury Collection Resort and The Palace Hotel, A Luxury Collection Hotel in San Francisco; as well as the Sheraton Waikiki, Sheraton Princess Kaiulani and Sheraton Maui Resort & Spa. The company recently completed extensive renovations and upgrades, investing more than \$300 million in its Waikiki

properties alone, and plans to continue its investment to ensure Waikiki maintains its reputation as a world-class destination. Kyo-ya is committed to strengthening the communities where it does business by partnering with local nonprofit organizations, community establishments and community leaders who share the same vision and passion for making a difference.

#### **About Starwood Hotels & Resorts in Waikiki**

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