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Auli'i Cravalho to perform National Anthem at PBS' Memorial Day concert

National Memorial Day Concert ranks among PBS' highest-rated programs



Auli'i Cravalho is scheduled to perform the National Anthem at this year's National Memorial Day Concert on PBS.

HONOLULU – Hawai'i's own **Auli'i Cravalho**, star of Disney's *Moana*, is scheduled to open this year's **National Memorial Day Concert** on PBS with a performance of "The Star-Spangled Banner." The concert will be broadcast from the West Lawn of the U.S. Capitol.

PBS Hawai'i will air the National Memorial Day Concert Sunday, May 28 at 7 pm, with an encore broadcast at 9 pm. It will also be live streamed online on Facebook Live and www.pbs.org/national-memorial-day-concert and available as Video on Demand for a limited time only, May 28 to June 10.

Oscar nominee and Emmy and Tony-Award winner Laurence Fishburne will join Tony Award-winner Joe Mantegna to host the 28th annual edition of the PBS broadcast, which regularly ranks among the public television network's highest-rated programs.

For almost three decades, PBS has presented this night of remembrance dedicated to the country's men and women in uniform, their families at home and all those who have given their lives for our country. Emmy Award-winner Gary Sinise, who has co-hosted the concert for the past eleven years, will present a 75th anniversary salute to the Doolittle Raiders, the aviators who changed the course of World War II in the Pacific. *More, next page >>*

The all-star line-up for the event includes: General Colin L. Powell USA (Ret.); Renée Fleming; Vanessa Williams; Scotty McCreery; John Ondrasik of Five for Fighting; John Ortiz; Christopher Jackson; Ana Ortiz; Ronan Tynan; and Russell Watson, in performance with the National Symphony Orchestra under the direction of top pops conductor Jack Everly. Additional performers to be announced.

The program is a co-production of Michael Colbert of Capital Concerts and WETA, Washington, D.C. Executive Producer Michael Colbert has assembled an award-winning production team that features the top Hollywood talent behind some of television's most prestigious entertainment awards shows including the Grammy Awards, Country Music Awards, Tony Awards, Saturday Night Live and more.

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