



DANIEL K. INOUYE INSTITUTE

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USS DANIEL INOUYE HEADING TO PEARL HARBOR



The future USS DANIEL INOUYE (DDG 118) sailed away from Bath, Maine on October 4th to make her way to Pearl Harbor for her commissioning and homeporting in December.

The DDG 118 is the Navy's newest guided missile destroyer. Armed with a suite of sophisticated weapons and sensors, Arleigh Burke-class destroyers are multi-mission ships able to hold targets on land, at sea, in the air, and under water.

Planning is underway for arrival in Hawaii later this year. Stay tuned for more information and public events!

<https://www.navsea.navy.mil/Media/News/SavedNewsModule/Article/2799206/future-uss-daniel-inouye-sails-away>



Local Artisans Evoke the Hawaiian Warrior Spirit



Local artisans have been working hard to create one of a kind pieces that will symbolize the Hawaiian warrior throughout the USS Daniel Inouye. Well known artist and historian Brook Parker was commissioned to paint "Wa'a Kalua Kaua," an original oil painting which will hang in the ship's Wardroom.

Craftsmen and Lua practitioners Rodney "Kaha" Toledo and Victorino "Wela" Tolentino have been working hard to produce traditional weaponry utilized during battles at sea to be displayed in the Wardroom.



"Fueled Up" & Ready to Sail



Mahalo to Country Samurai Coffee Company for generously donating 100% Kona Coffee to help "fuel up" the crew of the DDG 118 as they prepared to leave Maine! We've learned that sailors take their coffee very serious, as evidenced by the "seasoned" mugs we've seen hanging in the mess decks, and we wanted to be sure they got a little taste of Hawaii. And, what's more perfect to go with your coffee? A bag of Kauai Kookies of course!

A hui hou and may you have fair winds and following seas on your journey to Hawaii!