



Extend your 'shelf life' – literary style – at the Bank of Hawaii Book Swap!

Ready to rejuvenate your bookshelf with a new 'edition'? Looking for a few good reads to replenish that stack beside the bed?

Plan to attend the 6th Annual Hawaii Book & Music Festival Presented by Bank of Hawaii on May 14 and 15 where you not only will enjoy two days packed with FREE activities and entertainment, but you also can update your home library at Bank of Hawaii's popular Book Swap.

Here's how: Bring up to five gently used books to the festival's Bank of Hawaii booth and pick out up to five new books to replace them! Hundreds of titles for adults and children will be available at the Book Swap, which will be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on both days of the festival. The books that are collected will be donated to Hawaii Literacy – ensuring your tomes will find good, new homes.

The two-day festival takes place on the grounds of Honolulu Hale, with free admission and free parking at the nearby municipal lot. In addition to the Book Swap, new books will be available for purchase from more than a dozen booksellers and publishers, including Barnes & Noble, Native Books, Revolution Books and many local publishing companies. Bank of Hawaii's Bankoh Bankmobile will be parked on the grounds should you need quick cash for your book purchases or tasty nibbles and refreshments from the festival's food court.

The Hawaii Book & Music Festival is a celebration of story-telling in all of its forms. The event features seven pavilions and stages with presentations and performances by more than 500 local, national and international authors and performing artists. Young festival-goers will be entertained by ongoing activities at the Keiki Stage and Bank of Hawaii/PBS Hawaii Activities

Pavilion, including special guests PBS KIDS host Mr. Steve and 12 costumed characters from PBS KIDS popular programs. Author book-signings, story-telling, panel discussions on Native Hawaiian and humanities issues, and a café and food court are all part of this annual event.

The HBMF beneficiaries are Hawaii Literacy and Read to Me International.

For additional information and updates, visit the Festival website at <u>www.hawaiibookandmusicfestival.org</u> or call (808) 234-0404

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