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### **Re-stock your home library – and support Hawaii Literacy – at the Bank of Hawaii Book Swap!**

Need to replenish the stack of books on your bed stand? Time to stock up on good reads for the summer? Then plan to attend the 8<sup>th</sup> annual Hawaii Book & Music Festival presented by Bank of Hawaii on May 18 and 19 where you not only will enjoy two days packed with more than 150 FREE events and performances, but you also can update your home library at Bank of Hawaii's popular Book Swap.

Bring up to five gently used books to the festival's Bank of Hawaii booth and swap them for up to five new or "previously viewed" books! Hundreds of titles for adults and children will be available at the Book Swap, which will be open both days of the festival. The books that are collected will be donated to Hawaii Literacy where your tomes will find appreciative new homes.

In addition to the Book Swap, new books will be available for purchase from Barnes & Noble and more than a dozen local and independent publishers in the festival's new Hawaii Publishers Village.

Bank of Hawaii's Bankoh BankMobile, with convenient ATMs, will be parked on the grounds should you need quick cash for your book purchases or tasty nibbles and refreshments from the festival's international food court.

The Hawaii Book & Music Festival presented by Bank of Hawaii is a celebration of storytelling in all its forms. It takes place on the Honolulu Hale civic center grounds on Saturday,

May 18 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, May 19 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission is free and free parking is available at the adjacent municipal parking garage.

The festival encompasses 11 pavilions and stages featuring 150 events with more than 500 local, national and international authors, presenters and performers. Author book-signings, storytelling, panel discussions, stage performances and a multi-ethnic food court are all part of this annual event. Young festival-goers will be entertained by ongoing performances and activities at the Keiki Stage and Keiki Activities Pavilion, including special guests PBS KIDS host Mr. Steve and costumed characters like The Cat in the Hat, Curious George, The Lorax. SuperWhy, Wild Thing and others.

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

For additional information and updates, visit the festival website at [www.HawaiiBookAndMusicFestival.org](http://www.HawaiiBookAndMusicFestival.org), follow us on Twitter and Facebook, or call (808) 234-0404.

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