

DA STORY OF THE GATEWAY

"Aloha Aunties, Uncles, and Keiki! (Ladies, Gentlemen, and Children in Hawaiian Pidgin.) I'd like to tell you the story of how The Gateway got its name. As you know, Hawaii is right in the middle of the Pacific—the 'gateway' between the East and West. Along these lines, The Gateway at the Polynesian Cultural Center was built as a gathering place where everyone on Oahu, from mauka to makai (mountains to the ocean), are welcome.

Here, all visitors are invited to join in harmony as members of an extended **ohana** (family) to share in an **ono** (tasty) feast celebrating the rich bounty of Hawaii's land and sea. The **broke da mouth** (very delicious) buffet features authentic dishes from throughout the Pacific along with **choke** (a variety of) **kamaaina** or local favorites.

And when you're **pau** (all done), you can watch our amazing evening show, 'HA: Breath of Life,' just steps away at the Pacific Theater. **Mahalo!**"

MORE THAN JUST A MURAL

Our mural is one of the largest in the world. But the tale behind it is pretty grand too. The 500-foot mural encircles the entire interior and reinforces our gathering place theme. As guests enter, they are greeted by a bountiful Hawaiian landscape and the welcoming gestures from King Kamehameha himself, inviting all to join him in a royal feast.

On the walls to the left and right are depictions of other Polynesian cultures, including Samoa, Aotearoa, Fiji, Tonga, Tahiti and Marquesas, who are arriving to the feast.

As guests turn around, they see colorful images of historical figures and contemporary visitors who have come to celebrate in the spirit of fellowship with their Polynesian *Ohana*.

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Presented by **EXECUTIVE CHEF**

Felix Tai



"Growing up I have always been inspired by the fearless distinct flavors of the Pacific Rim. I'm grateful for the culture and traditions of my ancestors where cooking was more about passion and love and was passed down from one generation to another. I am grateful to be here at the Polynesian Cultural Center, and to welcome you to the Gateway Restaurant. Like Hawaii is a Gateway to the Pacific, our menu is a Gateway to the foods of our history. My culinary team and I work to bring the flavors of the these amazing cultures to life every day, so you can share in our history and be inspired by our foods." — Chef Felix Tai

Aloha! WELCOME TO THE



Salad Bar 🎉



- > Tossed Green Salad
- > Dressings: Italian, Ranch, Lilikoi
- > Condiments:

sunflower seeds mushroom slices garbanzo beans black olives cherry tomatoes red onion slices

corn kernels croutons shredded cheese diced ham cucumber slices bacon bits

- > Poi
- > Pickled cucumber w/limu
- > Orecchiette fennel salad
- > Fruit platter

Poke Bar 🎉

lomilomi salmon ahi shoyu poke spicy local fish poke poisson cru w/hawaiian cod ulu uala poke ahi tuna sashimi



Hot Entrees 🧸



- > Hawaiian Style Sweet & Sour Chicken
- > Fried Chicken Wings with adobo sticky glaze
- > Garlic Brown Sugar Roasted Chicken with pineapple relish
- > Fried Calamari
- Kalua Pork
- > Spicy Kochujang Pork Belly
- > Culotte Steak Carving Station
- › Kalbi Brisket Stir-Fry
- > Char Siu Pork Ribs
- > Crispy Garlic Shrimp with sweet chili garlic aioli
- > Furikake Panko Crusted Local Fish (Catch of the Day)

Hot Sides 🤽



- > Steamed White Rice 🛇 🖤
- › Pineapple Fried Rice 🤣 🏈
- > Fried Pancit 🚱 🌠
- > Tricolor Roasted Potatoes 🚱 🕜
- > Roasted Veggie Ratatouille 🚱 😵
- > Kabocha and Broccolini Tofu Stir-fry 🤣 🗸
- > Steamed Asparagus with lilikoi glaze 🗗 🕜
- > Blanched Bok Choy with sautéed mushrooms



- > Soup Roasted Squash
- > Soup Hawaiian Bouillabaisse
- > Taro Rolls



Keiki Favorites 🎉



- > Macaroni and Cheese 🚳
- > Breaded Chicken Strips

Desserts 🔀

> French Fries



- > Pineapple Fosters
- > Lā'ie Vanilla Panna Cotta with macerated papaya
- > Scooped Ice Cream





