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**HULA HĀLAU NĀ MAMO O PANĀ'ĒWA CELEBRATES AND HONORS  
QUEEN EMMA KALANIKAUMAKA'AMANO KALELEONĀLANI NA'EA  
ROOKE ON JUNE 22, 2014 AT GLENDALE HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM**

*Following the Footsteps of His Teachers, Kumu Hula (Teacher of Hula) Keoki Wang and  
His Dancers to Bring Traditional (Kahiko) and Modern ('Auana) Hula (Hawaiian  
Dance) to the Southern California Hawaiian Community*

**LOS ANGELES, Calif.** (January 14, 2014) – The late Hawaiian King David Kālakaua, also known as the *Merrie Monarch*, said that “hula is the language of the heart and the heartbeat of the Hawaiian people” and *Hālau Nā Mamo 'O Panā'ēwa*, through song, dance and chants, share that passion and continues the legacy and traditions of the Hawaiian people at their 4<sup>th</sup> annual hō'ike (performance) at Glendale High School Auditorium (Glendale, CA) on Sunday; June 22, 2014; one (1) show only at 4:00 pm (Doors open at 3:00 pm). Tickets and more info can be found at [www.namamooapanaewa.com](http://www.namamooapanaewa.com)

*Emma Kalanikaumaka'amano Kaleleonālani Na'ea Rooke* (January 2, 1836 – April 25, 1885) was queen consort of King Kamehameha IV from 1856 to his death in 1863. Born on January 2, 1836 in Honolulu, she was adopted under the Hawaiian tradition of *hānai* by her childless maternal aunt, chiefess Grace Kama'iku'i Young Rooke, and her husband, Dr. Thomas C. B. Rooke. Known for being integrally involved in saving the Hawaiian people from extinction (due to the introduction of diseases the Hawaiian population had plummeted from 350,000 at the time of Captain Cook's arrival, to 70,000), she was dedicated to building a hospital “Queens”-the original building, housing just 18 patient beds when it opened its doors on August 1, 1859. And within a year a much larger facility which housed 124 beds was built on the same site where *The Queen's Medical Center* (Honolulu, HI) stands today.

“Admirers and those that love the Hawaiian culture and the art of hula are in for a royal tribute to this beloved Queen”, states Kumu Hula Keoki Wang, “This year's theme is “He Inoa No Kaleleonālani” which means “In the Name of Kaleleonālani”-a part of Queen Emma's middle name which is the plural form of her original middle name Kalelōkalanī, meaning “flight of the heavenly one”, after the passing of her husband and child. We will have an amazing set list and program which will present not only the strength and power exhibited in Kahiko (ancient/traditional), the beauty and grace found in 'Auana (modern) forms of hula and the pure joy of dancing and sharing the love of hula. Get



ready Southern California the birds of Pana'ewa are coming with another amazing show!"

Show information is as follows:

DATE: Sunday; June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2014  
LOCATION: Glendale High School Auditorium  
1440 E. Broadway Avenue  
Glendale, CA  
TIME: Doors open 3:00 pm; Show starts 4:00 pm  
GENERAL TICKET PRICES: Pre-Sale: General Admission-\$15.00; Kids 5 and under-FREE  
(must sit on lap of adult)  
On-Site: General Admission-\$20.00; Kids 5 and under-FREE  
(must sit on lap of adult)  
TICKETS AVAILABLE AT: Pre-sale contact (310) 869-8030; Email contact [chase@bam-mp.com](mailto:chase@bam-mp.com); Onsite (Box Office) at 3:00 pm on day of event  
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#### About *Hālau Nā Mamo O Pana'ewa*

Located in sunny Southern California (Glendale), and established in 2010, *Hālau Nā Mamo O Pana'ewa* (The Birds of Pana'ewa) and Kumu Hula (Teacher of Hula) Keoki Wang continues the traditions and legacies of his award-winning teachers including Kumu Hula Sonny Ching, Kumu Hula Noelani McIntosh and Kumu Hula Kunewa Mook through dance, songs and traditional Hawaiian chants. More information can be found at [www.namamoopanaewa.com](http://www.namamoopanaewa.com)

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