



Friends of Hawai`i Volcanoes National Park

The Friends of the Pana`ewa Rainforest Zoo & Gardens
in collaboration with
The Friends of Hawai`i Volcanoes National Park
Present

ʻŌpe`ape`a - The Hawaiian Bat

Friday, July 13, 2007
4 - 7 PM

There are many mysteries in our night skies. One of them is Hawai`i's only endemic land mammal, *ʻōpe`ape`a*, the Hawaiian Hoary Bat.

Currently the subject of a study directed by
USGS wildlife biologist, Dr. Frank Bonaccorso,
this tiny flyer is beginning to reveal the secrets of a life seldom witnessed by
humans.

Join us at the Zoo in the early evening to learn what Dr. Bonaccorso and his research team are learning about Hawai`i's endangered bat. As it grows dark, come along on a brief expedition to try to locate one or more of these aerial acrobats on the Zoo grounds as they forage for nocturnal insects.

A world renowned researcher in this field, Bonaccorso, an engaging speaker, is the author of *Bats of Papua New Guinea*.

- At 4 PM, when the Zoo closes to the public, program participants are invited to enter the Zoo for informal, docent-led tours of the Zoo grounds.
- **Note that the program sign-in is between 4 & 4:30. Gate closes at 4:30.**
- At 5 PM, a light buffet dinner and soft beverages will be served in the Education Pavilion.
- At 5:45 the Program will begin.

What better way to spend Friday the 13th than learning about and looking for bats! The Zoo and gardens are especially beautiful on summer evenings.

The cost of this evening program is \$30 (\$17 tax-deductible) and includes food & beverages. Rain is always possible, so come prepared. Bring a flashlight for ease of walking.

Reservations are made by calling the Friends' Office at 985-7373

The office is staffed part-time, so be sure to leave a message,
your call will be returned.

Your reservation is confirmed when we receive a check payable to the
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